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**M.A. PHILOSOPHY (MAPY)**

**Term-End Examination**

**December, 2018**

**MPY-002 : WESTERN PHILOSOPHY**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

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- Note :** (i) *Answer all five questions.*  
(ii) *All questions carry equal marks.*  
(iii) *Answers to question no. 1 and 2 should be in about 500 words each.*
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1. Examine Aristotle's theory of causation and analyse his position on Form and Matter. 20

**OR**

Elucidate the philosophy of rationalism with reference to Descartes, Spinoza and Leibnitz. 20

2. How does David Hume differentiate between impressions and ideas ? Explain Hume's arguments to deny the necessary connection between cause and effect. 20

**OR**

What is Phenomenology for Husserl ? Explain the Phenomenological methods proposed by Husserl. 20

3. Answer **any two** of the following in about **250** words each :
- (a) Explain Plato's theory of Ideas. 10
  - (b) Give an account of Augustine's position on the question of God. 10
  - (c) What is knowledge according to Kant ? Discuss. 10
  - (d) Explain the basic tenets of Existentialism. 10
4. Answer **any four** of the following in about **150** words each :
- (a) What are the concerns of Metaphysics ? 5
  - (b) How does Heraclitus explain the notion of change ? 5
  - (c) How does Locke refute the theory of innate ideas ? 5
  - (d) What do you understand by the philosophy of 'Absolute Idealism' ? 5
  - (e) What are the characteristics of Nietzsche's Super Human ? 5
  - (f) Briefly explain Wittgenstein's Picture Theory of Meaning. 5
5. Write short notes on **any five** of the following in about **100** words each :
- (a) Socratic Irony 4
  - (b) Sophists 4
  - (c) Problem of Evil 4
  - (d) Mutazilism 4
  - (e) Hegel's Dialectic 4
  - (f) Hermeneutics 4
  - (g) Neo-Scholasticism 4
  - (h) Feminism 4
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