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MPYE-005

M. A. (PHILOSOPHY)**(MAPY)****Term-End Examination****December, 2019****MPYE-005 : WORLD RELIGIONS***Time : 3 Hours**Maximum Marks : 100*

Note : Answer all questions. All questions carry equal marks. Answer of Question Nos.1 and 2 should be in about 500 words each.

1. Explain the *four* stages of life according to Hinduism. 20

Or

Discuss in detail the doctrine of dependent origination (Pratityasamutpada).

2. Write a detailed essay on the core beliefs of Christianity. 20

Or

Explain the Jaina concept of liberation. How does the ethical teachings of Jainism help one to reach liberation ?

3. Answer any *two* of the following questions in about 200 words each : 10 each

(a) Discuss the eightfold path of Buddhism suggested for overcoming suffering.

(b) How do you understand the unity of the ultimate principle and the created beings explained in the Sikh Philosophy ?

(c) Discuss the pillars of faith in Islam.

(d) Explain Dharma and Moksha as two of the goals of human life.

4. Answer any *four* of the following questions in about 150 words each : 5 each

(a) Give a brief sketch of the socio-religious background of Sikhism.

(b) What do you know about the concept of "the chosen race" ?

(c) Why are the Thirthankaras called so ?

- (d) What is the theory of transmigration ?
- (e) Why is much importance assigned to relationships in Confucianism ?
- (f) What do you know about the Khalsa movement ?

5. Write short notes on any *five* of the following in about 100 words each : 4 each

- (a) Messianic era
- (b) Shintoism
- (c) The good Samaritan
- (d) Sufism
- (e) Samhitas
- (f) Sravanam
- (g) Tower of silence
- (h) Ahimsa