

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

**Term-End Examination**

**December, 2021**

**MPYE-010 : PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

**Note :** Answer all the **five** questions. All questions carry equal marks. Answers to questions no. 1 and 2 should be in about 500 words each.

1. Elaborately discuss the problem of evil. 20

**OR**

What is atheism ? Elaborate on the philosophical and socio-cultural roots of modern atheism. 20

2. Critically evaluate some of the arguments for the existence of God. 20

**OR**

Compare and contrast some of the prominent theistic philosophers of India. 20

3. Answer any **two** of the following in about 250 words each :

- (a) Give your critical reflection on Ramana Maharshi. 10
- (b) Explain the analogical way of understanding religious language. 10
- (c) Write about religious tolerance in Islam. 10
- (d) Write on the Sacred as developed by Durkheim and others. 10

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

- (a) What is the “Anthropic principle” ? 5
- (b) Which are the three C’s of organised religions ? 5
- (c) What is Bhakti Movement ? 5
- (d) Describe various types of atheism. 5
- (e) Give your criticism of materialism. 5
- (f) What is univocal language ? 5

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

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| (a) | Ramakrishna Paramahansa                     | 4 |
| (b) | Teleological Argument                       | 4 |
| (c) | Indian Understanding of the Problem of Evil | 4 |
| (d) | Transcendence vs. Immanence                 | 4 |
| (e) | Equivocal Language                          | 4 |
| (f) | Priesthood                                  | 4 |
| (g) | Mana  | 4 |
| (h) | Masters of Suspicion                        | 4 |
| (i) | Numinous                                    | 4 |
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