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**MPYE–008**

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

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2024**

**MPYE–008 : METAPHYSICS**

*Time : 3 Hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

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**Note :** (i) *Answer all **five** questions.*

(ii) *All questions carry equal marks.*

(iii) *Answer to Question No. 1 and 2 are to be written in about **500** words each.*

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1. Discuss the Buddhist theory of *Pratītyasamutpāda* and the Nyāya theory of *Asatkāryavāda*. 20

*Or*

Give an exposition of the idea of *Padārtha* (categories) as presented in the Nyaya-Vaiśeṣika school.

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2. Discuss the notion of Brahman and *Māyā* as discussed in Śāṅkara's Advaita philosophy. 20

*Or*

Write a detailed essay on the Agapeic Notion of Being.

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

(a) Explain the etymology of the term 'metaphysics' from both the Western and Indian perspective. 10

(b) Discuss the main metaphysical issues in the context of 'Ontology of relations.' 10

(c) Present a critical exposition of 'Being as beautiful.' 10

(d) Explain the principles of 'non-contradiction' and 'excluded middle'. 10

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

(a) Explain KC Bhattacharya's views on Metaphysics. 5

(b) Present a brief account of the metaphysical tenets of Śaiva Siddhanta. 5

(c) Briefly present an account of meaning of essence in accordance with the Edmund Husserl. 5

- (d) Present an exposition of Prime matter as the Principle of Imperfect Individuation. 5
- (e) Discuss the meaning of Potency in the context of metaphysics. 5
- (f) Explain the notion of *tad ekam* as presented in Rig Veda. 5
5. Write short notes on any *five* of the following in about 100 words :
- (a) Pure desire to know as the starting point of Metaphysics 4
- (b) Jaina theory of Gunas (essential characteristics) and Prayāyas (modes) 4
- (c) Radhakrishnan's views on Advaita 4
- (d) Leibniz's theory of monads 4
- (e) Difference between intrinsic and extrinsic cause 4
- (f) Descartes argument from the idea of the Perfect Infinite 4
- (g) Problem of freewill 4
- (h) Locke's views on Substance 4