

Assignments for TEE December 2022 and for TEE June 2023

(BA Philosophy Third year)

BPY-009 Contemporary Western Philosophy

Note:

- 1. Give Answer of all five questions.**
- 2. All five questions carry equal marks**
- 3. Answer to question no. 1 and 2 should be in about 400 words each.**

1. Write an essay on the contribution and influence of Marx and Hegel on the critical theory. 20

Or

Figure out the differences between Analytic and Continental Approaches to Philosophy. 20

2. Explain and evaluate Psychoanalytic theory of Sigmund Freud. 20

Or

Explain and evaluate John Dewey's theory of Pragmatism. 20

3. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **200 words** each. $2*10= 20$

- a) How did Heidegger show that the ontological possibility of Dasein's totality and authenticity becomes ontically concrete? 10
- b) Write a note on the idea of logical atomism in Russell's philosophy. 10
- c) Discuss the salient features of Kierkegaard's philosophy. 10
- d) What is ordinary language? Write an essay on the contribution of P. F. Strawson in the development of ordinary language philosophy. 10

4. Answer any **four** of the following questions in about **150 words** each. $4*5= 20$

- a) What are Id and Oedipus complex? 5
- b) What are the main characteristics of Post-structuralism? 5
- c) Write a note on the idea of family resemblance. 5
- d) Briefly elaborate the Concept of 'Difference' in Derrida's Philosophy. 5
- e) Write a note on Schleiermacher's idea of hermeneutics. 5
- f) What are the main characteristics of Modernism? 5

5. Write short notes on any **five** of the following in about **100 words** each. $5*4= 20$

- a) Form of Life 4
- b) Idea of Availability in Marcel's philosophy 4
- c) *Langue* 4
- d) *Facticity in Sartre's philosophy* 4
- e) Private Language 4
- f) Linguisticality of Understanding 4
- g) Scientific Materialism 4
- h) Phenomenology 4

BPY-010 Epistemology

Note:

1. Give Answer of all five questions.
2. All five questions carry equal marks
3. Answer to question no. 1 and 2 should be in about 400 words each.

1. What is Pragmatic theory of truth? What is the basic assumption(s) of this theory? 20

Or

What is Coherence theory of truth? What is the basic assumption(s) of this theory? 20

2. Write a note on the different kinds of inference in Nyaya Philosophy. 20

Or

What is *Vyapti*? How *Nyaya* establishes *Anuman* as a means of knowledge? What are the major objections against *Aanumana* of *Nyaya*? 20

3. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **200 words** each. 2*10= 20

- a) Compare between Nyaya and Buddhist definitions of Perception. 10
- b) Write a note on the concept and types of *Abhava* in Vaisheshik philosophy. 10
- c) Critically evaluate the idea of Substance in Aristotle's Philosophy. 10
- d) Write a note on the concept and types of *hetvabhasa* in Nyaya Philosophy. 10

4. Answer any **four** of the following questions in about **150 words** each. 4*5= 20

- a) Write a short essay on Habermas' method of argumentation for norm formation. 5
- b) What is *upamana*? How Nyaya philosophy establishes *Upamana* as a separate means of knowledge. 5
- c) How does Mimamsa Philosophy defend the infallibility of the authority of Veda? 5
- d) Differentiate between *svatah pramanyavada* and *paratah pramanyavada*. 5
- e) What are the characteristic features of Feminist Epistemology? Describe. 5
- f) Differentiate between synthetic a-priori and Analytic a-priori. 5

5. Write short notes on any **five** of the following in about **100 words** each. 5*4= 20

a) <i>Pramana</i>	4
b) Differentia (<i>Prithaktva</i>)	4
c) Modest foundationalism	4
d) Association of ideas	4
e) Samanya-lakshan-pratyaksha	4
f) <i>Sadhya</i>	4
g) Concept of Participation in Aquinas' philosophy.	4
h) <i>Sabda</i>	4

BPY-011 Philosophy of Human Person

Note:

1. Give Answer of all five questions.
2. All five questions carry equal marks
3. Answer to question no. 1 and 2 should be in about 400 words each.

1. What is culture? Do you see Human person as a product of Culture? Give arguments to support your answer. 20

Or

Do you think that there is a relation between Human existence and freedom? Justify your answer. 20

2. What is Descartes's mind-body dualism? What alternative Marleau Ponty gave to Descartes' cogito? 20

Or

What are the salient features of neo-darwinism? Distinguish it with Darwinism. 20

3. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **200 words** each. 2*10= 20

- a) Give arguments to prove the existence of Intellect. 10
- b) What are the arguments give to prove the transmigration of Soul? 10
- c) Compare between Bhagavad-Gita and Buddhist conception of Human Person. 10
- d) Write a note on the Relationship between will and Intellect in human beings. 10

4. Answer any **four** of the following questions in about **150 words** each. 4*5= 20

- a) "Intellect is capable of Perfect Reflection." Discuss. 5
- b) "Ideas are universal yet reality known is individual." Discuss. 5
- c) Write a note on the Advaitik understanding of Human Person. 5
- d) Write a short note on the Martin Buber's idea of "I and Thou". 5
- e) Distinguish between Sex and Gender. 5
- f) Evaluate ethical Argument for the freedom of Will. 5

5. Write short notes on any **five** of the following in about **100 words** each. $5 \times 4 = 20$

- a) "As a being so it acts" 4
- b) Relation between language and thought 4
- c) Ex-nihilo 4
- d) "I-It" 4
- e) The descriptive function of Language 4
- f) Presuppositions in Fundamental Duties 4
- g) Rational Appetite 4
- h) Symbolic Communication 4

BPY-012 Philosophy of Science and Cosmology

Note:

1. Give Answer of all five questions.
2. All five questions carry equal marks
3. Answer to question no. 1 and 2 should be in about 400 words each.

1. What is Quantum mechanics? Write a note on the philosophical implications of the Quantum mechanics. 20

Or

What is verification method? How Karl Popper criticizes verification method? 20

2. What is Uncertainty Principle? Write a note on the philosophical implications of the Uncertainty Principle. 20

Or

Compare among Leibniz's, Kant's and Newton's understanding of Space-Time. 20

3. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **200 words** each. 2*10= 20

- a) Write a note on the significance of the falsification method. 10
- b) Explain and evaluate Aristotle's theory of Motion? 10
- c) Write a note on the postulates of Copernican system. 10
- d) Distinguish between Internal and External History of Science. 10

4. Answer any **four** of the following questions in about **150 words** each. 4*5= 20

- a) Give arguments for the expansion of the universe. 5
- b) Compare between Ptolemy and Post-Ptolemy systems. 5
- c) Write a short essay on the Logical Positivist's idea of Science. 5
- d) Write a short essay on General Theory of Relativity. 5
- e) Write a short essay on the Retrograde Motion. 5
- f) What are the postulates of Non-Copernican system? 5

5. Write short notes on any **five** of the following in about **100 words** each. $5 \times 4 = 20$

- a) Special theory of relativity 4
- b) *Weltanschauung* 4
- c) Philosophy of Science 4
- d) Olber's paradox 4
- e) Dual Nature of Matter 4
- f) Natural Law 4
- g) "Cosmic age too short" 4
- h) Hypothesis 4

BPYE-001 Philosophy of Religion

Note:

1. Give Answer of all five questions.
2. All five questions carry equal marks
3. Answer to question no. 1 and 2 should be in about 400 words each.

1. Discuss and evaluate the arguments given by St. Augustine to prove the existence of God. 20

Or

Write a note on the problem of evil. 20

2. Discuss the role and limits of evidence to resolve the religious conflicts. 20

Or

What is religious pluralism? Do you agree that secularism is a good option to resolve the religious conflicts? Give arguments to support your answer. 20

3. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **200 words** each. 2*10= 20

- a) Write an essay on the role of dialogue to resolve the religious conflicts. 10
- b) Write a note on Religious Tolerance. 10
- c) Evaluate Emile Durkheim's approach to religion. 10
- d) Write a note on Max Weber's approach to Religion. 10

4. Answer any **four** of the following questions in about **150 words** each. 4*5= 20

- a) Write a short note on the Bonaventure's idea of God? 5
- b) Differentiate between Theology and Philosophy of Religion. 5
- c) Write a note on the idea of God in Spinoza's philosophy. 5
- d) Do you agree that theological statements are not testable? Justify your answer. 5
- e) Describe main assumptions and features of Anthropological approach to the origin of religion. 5
- f) Evaluate Rudolf Otto's phenomenological method to analyze religious experience. 5

5. Write short notes on any **five** of the following in about **100 words** each. $5 \times 4 = 20$

- a) *Dharma* 4
- b) "God is simple" 4
- c) Kalam Argument for the Existence of God 4
- d) Free will 4
- e) The 'Wholly other' 4
- f) Naturalism 4
- g) *Svadharna* 4
- h) Pre-established Harmony 4

BPYE-002 Tribal and Dalit Philosophy

Note:

1. Give Answer of all five questions.
2. All five questions carry equal marks
3. Answer to question no. 1 and 2 should be in about 400 words each.

1. Discuss the significance and figure out main features of Oral culture. Compare it with script culture. 20

Or

What is alienation? Discuss and evaluate. 20

2. "Relation is imperative as against alienation and discrimination". Do you agree with this claim? Justify your answer. 20

Or

Discuss and evaluate the social philosophy of Bhimrao Ambedkar. 20

3. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **200 words** each. 2*10= 20

- a) Write a note on the principle of discrimination. 10
- b) Discuss Gramsci's idea of civil Society? 10
- c) Write a note on Kinship system in Tribals. 10
- d) Discuss the role of civil society for Dalit's empowerment. 10

4. Answer any **four** of the following questions in about **150 words** each. 4*5= 20

- a) Discuss limits of applicability of Gramsci's concept to Dalit Politics in India. 5
- b) What are the salient features of Santhal's account of creation? 5
- c) Highlight the transition phase of Tribal's Philosophy. 5
- d) What is the significance of folklore in Tribals' world-view(s)? 5
- e) Discuss briefly the role of remembering the identity in the Dalit movements. 5
- f) Describe Historiography as re-membering the lack. 5

5. Write short notes on any **five** of the following in about **100 words** each. 5*4= 20

- a) *Ho* account of creation. 4
- b) Tribal Spirituality 4
- c) *Cosmotheandris*m 4
- d) Subaltern History 4
- e) Alternative Historiography 4
- f) *Karam* 4
- g) Myth 4
- h) Hegemony