**BPYG-172** 

# **BACHELOR OF ARTS**

ASSIGNMENT 2021-2022

BPYG–172 PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION



SCHOOL OF INTERDISCIPLINARY AND TRANS-DISCIPLINARY STUDIES INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI-68 Dear Student,

This Assignment booklet has TMAs for the core course BPYG-172 Philosophy of Religion, which is a six credit course. You will have to do Tutor Marked Assignments (TMAs) whose total marks add up to 100 and carry a weightage of 30 per cent.

The Assignment has a mix of long answer type questions, short answer type questions and short note type questions. Before you attempt the assignments, please read the instructions carefully provided in the Programme Guide. It is important that you write the answers to all the TMA questions in your own words. Your answers should be within the approximate range of the word-limit set for a particular section. Remember, writing answers to assignment questions will improve your writing skills and prepare you for the term-end examination.

You need to submit all the assignments within the stipulated time for being eligible to appear in the term-end examination. The completed assignments should be submitted as per the following schedule.

Session	Last Date of Submission	Whom to submit
July, 2021 Session	April 30, 2022	The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to
January, 2022 Session	October 31, 2022	you

You must obtain a receipt from the Study Centre for the assignments submitted and retain it. Keep a xerox copy of the assignments with you.

The Study Centre will return the assignments to you after they are evaluated. Please insist on this. The Study Centre has to send the marks to the Student Evaluation Division at IGNOU, New Delhi.

### Wishing you all the best!

School of Interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies

## BPYG-172: Philosophy of Religion (TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT)

## Course code: BPYG-172 Assignment Code: BPYG-172/ASST/TMA/2021-22 Marks: 100

#### BPYG-172 Philosophy of Religion (Generic Course)

#### 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 a note on the Psychological theory of Origin of Religion. 20

Or

Write a note on the Rudolf Otto's analysis of Religious Experience. 20

2. a) Write a note on the plausibility of evidence to solve the religious conflicts. 10+10=20

b) Do you think that Indian version of secularism is different from the general understanding of secularism? Give reasons to support your answer. Or

Discuss briefly some of the salient features of Religion.	20

3.	<ul> <li>Answer any two of the following questions in about 200 words each.</li> <li>a) Write a note on the negative way of religious language.</li> <li>b) How William James proves the validity of Religious experience? Brid 10</li> <li>c) What are the arguments to prove that God is omniscient?</li> <li>d) Write a note on the evidential problem of evil.</li> </ul>	2*10= 20 10 efly Discuss. 10 10
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4.	Answer any four of the following questions in about 150 words each.	4*5=20
	a) What are the basic problems with Naturalistic theory of origin of Reli	gion? 5
	b) How religion and Philosophy of Religion is related? Briefly Discuss.	5
	c) What are the three basic approaches to study religious language?	5
	d) Write a note on the basic assumptions of Monotheism.	5
	e) Write a note on the <i>Kalam</i> Cosmological Argument.	5
	f) Briefly discuss the challenges of Atheism.	5
5.	Write short notes on <b>any five</b> of the following in <b>about 100 words each</b> .	5*4=20
	a) Revelation as the source of ultimate knowledge	4

b)	Prayer	4
c)	Myth	4
d)	Pantheism	4
e)	Best of Possible worlds Theodicy	4
f)	Agnosticism	4
g)	Religious Fundamentalism	4
h)	Culturisation	4