

M.A. PHILOSOPHY (MAPY)

Term-End Examination

00670

December, 2014

MPY-002 : WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note :

- (i) *Answer all five questions.*
- (ii) *All questions carry equal marks.*
- (iii) *Answers to questions no. 1 and 2 should be in about 500 words each.*

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1. Describe the salient features of John Locke's epistemology and discuss how he refutes Descartes' theory of Innate Ideas. 20

OR

Explain in detail the moral philosophy of Immanuel Kant. 20

2. Explain Hume's distinction between impressions and ideas and clarify its sceptical implications. 20

OR

What is Pragmatism ? Explain in detail Classical Pragmatism. 20

3. Answer any *two* of the following in about 250 words each.
- (a) Write a detailed note on Scientific Materialism. 10
 - (b) How does Hegel equate Reason and Reality ? 10
 - (c) Explain the basic description of Hermeneutics and Post Modernism. 10
 - (d) "What we cannot speak about we must pass over in silence." Explain. 10
4. Answer any *four* of the following in about 150 words each.
- (a) Explain "Cogito ergo sum". 5
 - (b) What is "Platonism for the Masses" ? 5
 - (c) Write a note on Causality. 5
 - (d) Explain the Coherence Theory of Truth. 5
 - (e) Why is Scotus called the "Subtle Doctor" ? 5
 - (f) What do you understand by Scepticism ? 5

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

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| (a) Deconstruction | 4 |
| (b) Ontology | 4 |
| (c) Teleology | 4 |
| (d) Rationalism | 4 |
| (e) Renaissance | 4 |
| (f) The Allegory of the Cave | 4 |
| (g) Critique of Philosophy according to Al-Gazel | 4 |
| (h) The Sophists | 4 |
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