

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

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2013**

**MPY-002 : WESTERN PHILOSOPHY**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

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- Note :** (i) *Answer all five questions*  
(ii) *All questions carry equal marks*  
(iii) *Answers to question No.1 and 2 should be in about 500 words each.*
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1. "It seems a near contradiction to say that there are truths imprinted on the soul....." Analyse Locke's criticism of Descartes' theory of innate ideas. 20

**OR**

Explain and critically analyse socratic method of dialectic. 20

2. Clarify the fundamental reality in White head. How does he explain God and the metaphysical principles ? 20

**OR**

Explain the characteristics of Feminism. Give an account of the various kinds of feminism. 20

3. Answer *any two* of the following in about 250 words each.
- (a) Write a note on the Aristotelian Metaphysics. 10
  - (b) Explain the general characteristics of existentialism. 10
  - (c) How do rationalist philosophers deal with the problem of mind - body dualism ? 10
  - (d) Give an account of the various modern schools of thought in western philosophy. 10
4. Answer *any four* of the following in about 150 words each.
- (a) How does Nihilism approach reality ? 5
  - (b) What are the philosophical insights of pythagoras ? 5
  - (c) Write a note on Hume's notion of causality. 5
  - (d) Briefly explain Nietzsche's criticism of morality. 5
  - (e) Explain the basic description of post modernism. 5
  - (f) What do you understand by the 'linguistic turn' in philosophy ? 5

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

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| (a) | Intentionality                  | 4 |
| (b) | Renaissance                     | 4 |
| (c) | “Rational is real”              | 4 |
| (d) | Hermeneutics                    | 4 |
| (e) | Halam and Falsafa               | 4 |
| (f) | Noumena and phenomena           | 4 |
| (g) | Scientific Materialism          | 4 |
| (h) | Primary and secondary qualities | 4 |
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