

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

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2013**

**MPYE-004 : PHILOSOPHY OF HUMAN  
PERSON**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

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- Note :** (i) *Answer all the five questions.*  
(ii) *All the questions carry equal marks.*  
(iii) *Answers to question No. 1 and 2 should be in about 500 words each.*
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1. Explain the goals of life (Purusharthas) according to Hindu tradition and provide a materialistic critique of it . 20

**OR**

- Is Man free ? Explain the concept of freedom from a psycho - social point of view as one that unites rather than isolates. 20

2. What are some of the issues connected to personal identity ? Why does John Locke consider personal identity (the self) to be founded on consciousness ? 20

**OR**

- What do you understand about the debate on life after death ? Explain both the nihilistic and the positive responses to this question 20
3. Answer *any two* of the following in about 250 words each :
- (a) What is philosophical anthropology ? How is it related to other philosophical disciplines ? 10
  - (b) "Persons are ends in themselves". Explain your understanding of this notion. 10
  - (c) How do the existentialist philosophers view human being ? Briefly explain. 10
  - (d) Give a brief Brahminical view on the nature of the self. How orthodox schools respond to it ? 10
4. Answer *any four* of the following in about 150 words each :
- (a) Describe human love as the self - actualizing phenomenon. 5
  - (b) What is the Freudian understanding of human psyche ? 5
  - (c) State some characteristics of self - actualized persons. 5
  - (d) Briefly explain the Marxian view of human being. 5
  - (e) Describe Sartre's notion of death. 5
  - (f) What is the meaning of " Freedom to be more" ? 5

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

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| (a) Dasein               | 4 |
| (b) Animal symbolicum    | 4 |
| (c) Reincarnation        | 4 |
| (d) Centre of gravity    | 4 |
| (e) Dialectic            | 4 |
| (f) Liberty              | 4 |
| (g) The butterfly effect | 4 |
| (h) Freedom of will      | 4 |
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