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M.A. PHILOSOPHY (MAPY)

Term-End Examination

June, 2016

MPYE-006 : DALIT PHILOSOPHY

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

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. What are the major features of Dalit folklore ? 20
Examine the liberative potency of Dalit culture.
OR
Examine the impact of world religions on Dalit religion and culture. 20
 2. Define the term 'Dalit' and explain the political and economic connotations of the term. 20
OR
Critically analyse the liberative philosophy of Ambedkar. 20
 3. Answer any two of the following in about 250 words :
 - (a) Identify major structures of social violence against Dalits. 10
 - (b) Explain the bases and features of Dalit eschatology. 10

- (c) Discover a philosophy of Dalit empowerment against the imposed exploitative world view. 10
- (d) Explain Kancha Ilaiah's concept of 'Dalitization of Indian Culture'. 10
4. Answer any four of the following in about 150 words :
- (a) Give some archaeological evidence for caste system. 5
- (b) What do you think about the future of Dalit religious philosophy? 5
- (c) Are the Dalits a community - building community? 5
- (d) Describe briefly Dalit contribution to Indian music and dance. 5
- (e) Why did Iyothee Thass move from Advaita to Buddhism? 5
- (f) What was the criticism of Periyar against Brahmanism? 5
5. Write short notes on any five of the following in about 100 words each.
- (a) Varna dharma 4
- (b) Shamanism 4
- (c) Organic intellectuals 4
- (d) Dalit power of forgiving 4
- (e) The Drum (dappu) 4
- (f) Tirukkural 4
- (g) Narayana Guru 4
- (h) Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) 4