

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

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2021**

**MPYE-003 : EPISTEMOLOGY**

*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.*

1. What do you mean by Epistemology and which are the branches of it ? Explain its nature and scope. 20

**OR**

Give a detailed account of the importance of Pratyaksha Pramana in the different systems of Indian tradition. 20

2. What is Hermeneutics ? Examine the contributions of Heidegger, Gadamer and Derrida towards it. 20

**OR**

Examine the importance of naturalized epistemology and discuss the contextual continuity between sciences and epistemology. 20

3. Answer any **two** of the following in about 250 words each :

(a) Explain briefly the Indian theories of meaning. 10

(b) “The key to radical translation or interpretation is to be found in observation sentences.” Explain. 10

(c) Briefly explain the five types of Khyativada. 10

(d) Examine the theories of justification. 10

4. Answer any **four** of the following in about 150 words each :

(a) Describe Coherence theory of Truth. 5

(b) What is the Correspondence theory of Truth according to Nyaya School ? 5

(c) Distinguish between Laukika and Alaukika Perception. 5

(d) Give a brief account of Upamana. 5

(e) Discuss the limits of Semantic Holism. 5

(f) What is the importance of Picture theory of Meaning in the philosophy of Wittgenstein ? 5

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

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| (a) Knowledge                          | 4 |
| (b) Pragmatic Theory of Truth          | 4 |
| (c) Anupalabdhi                        | 4 |
| (d) Moral Certitude                    | 4 |
| (e) Language Game as New Paradigm      | 4 |
| (f) The Arguments Against Epistemology | 4 |
| (g) Schools of Vedic Interpretation    | 4 |
| (h) Confirmation Holism                | 4 |
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