M.A. PHILOSOPHY (MAPY)

Term-End Examination

June, 2022

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. Explain briefly the Indian theories of truth and error.　*20*

OR

What is Perception ? Discuss the different theories and the two problems of perception.　*20*

2. Examine the notion of certitude and the different kinds of certitude possible.　*20*

OR

What do you mean by Hermeneutics ? Discuss the philosophical basis and contributions of Martin Heidegger, Gardner, Habermas and Derrida towards it.　*20*

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

(a) Briefly explain Contextual continuity and Methodological continuity between Sciences and Epistemology. *10*

(b) Discuss the Indian theories of meaning. *10*

(c) Examine the differences between Correspondence and Pragmatic theories of truth. *10*

(d) Analyse the importance of Anumana as a pramana. *10*

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

(a) Give an account of epistemic justification. *5*

(b) Distinguish between Arthapatti and Anupalabdhi. *5*

(c) Highlight the importance of the performative theory of truth. *5*

(d) Briefly explain the relevance of picture theory of Wittgenstein in language philosophy. *5*

(e) Examine briefly the principles of Buddhist hermeneutics. *5*

(f) What is the importance of naturalized epistemology according to Quine ? *5*

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

    (a)   The 'Death' of Epistemology   *4*

    (b)   Observation Sentences   *4*

    (c)   Language Game as a New Paradigm   *4*

    (d)   Dhvani Theory   *4*

    (e)   Nirvikalpa Perception   *4*

    (f)   Coherence Theory of Truth   *4*

    (g)   Upamana   *4*

    (h)   Foundationalism   *4*

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