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**MPYE-003**

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

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2024**

**MPYE-003 : EPISTEMOLOGY**

*Time : 3 Hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

- Note :** (i) Answer all the *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 are the defining features of Correspondence theory of truth? Explain it from the Indian and western perspectives.

*Or*

Is knowledge, no matter how true, but which is based on false or inadequate reasons, knowledge at all ? Discuss with reference to the connection between knowledge and reasonableness. 20

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2. Explain the difference between Nirvikalpaka and Savikalpaka perception with reference to Nyāya theory of perception.

*Or*

Describe Upamāna as a source of knowledge in Classical Indian epistemology. Explain the difference between Nyāya and Mīmāṃsā theories of Upamāna . 20

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

- (a) Critically discuss *Anyathākhyāti* and *Akhyāti* theories of error. 10  
(b) What is Socratic Method in philosophy? Critically discuss. 10  
(c) Explain the difference between Concept and Idea. 10  
(d) Explain the meaning of Linguistic Turn in philosophy. 10

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

- (a) What are the reasons for which Cārvākas reject the validity of Inference as a source of knowledge ? 5

- (b) Explain the notion of Hermeneutics in Western philosophy. 5
- (c) Explain the idea of speech-acts with reference to the Performative theory of Austin. 5
- (d) Explain the difference between locution and illocution. 5
- (e) What is picture theory as propounded by Wittgenstein ? 5
- (f) Explain the main elements of Ordinary Language Philosophy as propounded by G. E. Moore. 5
5. Write short notes on any *five* of the following in about **100** words each :
- (a) Noumena 4
- (b) Pravṛttisāmarthya 4
- (c) Plato's theory of recollection (anamnesis) 4
- (d) Coherentism 4
- (e) Nominalism 4
- (f) Paradigm Shift 4
- (g) Anekāntavāda 4
- (h) Qualia 4