

BACHELORS DEGREE PROGRAMME

Term-End Examination

June, 2010

ELECTIVE COURSE : PHILOSOPHY

**BPY-003 : ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL
PHILOSOPHY**

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

- Note :** (i) *Answer all five questions.*
(ii) *All questions carry equal marks.*
(iii) *Answer to questions 1 and 2 should be in about
300 words each.*

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1. What are the main trends in contemporary western philosophy ? 20
- OR**
- Define philosophy and briefly explain its scope. 20
2. Discuss briefly the 'allegory of the cave' in plato. 20
- OR**
- Define and describe the ethics of Aristotle. 20
3. Answer *any two* of the following questions in about 200 words each :
- (a) How is faith related to reason in Augustine ? Discuss. 10
- (b) Briefly explain the philosophy of Anaximander. 10

- (c) Describe the five arguments of Aquinas for the existence of God. 10
- (d) Discuss briefly the philosophy of Heraclitus. 10
4. Answer *any four* of the following in about 150 words each.
- (a) Describe in brief the philosophy of parmenides. 5
- (b) What are the three orders of beings according to Avicenna ? Discuss. 5
- (c) Explain briefly the four causes of Aristotle. 5
- (d) Differentiate between wisdom and knowledge. 5
- (e) Discuss the concept of metaphysics in Philosophy. 5
- (f) How do you explain 'Ockham's Razor' ? 5
5. Write short notes on *any five* of the following in about 100 words each :
- (a) Apriori and Aposteriori 4
- (b) Apeiron 4
- (c) Pneuma 4
- (d) Logos 4
- (e) Retortive method 4
- (f) Phenomenology 4
- (g) Existentialism 4
- (h) Aesthetics 4