

**FACULTY OF ARTS**  
**M.A. PHILOSOPHY**  
**M.A. FINAL EXAMINATION – 2016-17**

**M.A. (FINAL) 2016-17**

**M.A. PHILOSOPHY**

The course will consist of 5 papers in all. Paper V and IX will be compulsory and paper VI, VII and VIII will be optional. The candidates will be required to select three optional “out of the following list of papers.

Philosophy of Religion

Jainism

Buddhism

Vedanta Darshan

Philosophy of History

Philosophy of Gandhi

Philosophy of Bhagvatagita

Philosophy of Law

Advanced Ethics

**PAPER V -APPROACHES TO WESTERN PHILOSOPHY**  
**(COMPULSORY) PAPER IX A- POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY**  
**(COMPULSORY)**

**OR**

**B- PHILOSOPHYCALESSAYS (COMPULSORY)**  
**PAPER- V APPROACHES TO CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHY**  
**(INDIAN AND WESTERN)**  
**(COMPULSORY)**

Note - This paper will contain 5 unit and 10 questions, and two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to answer 5 questions in all selecting one from each unit.

**Max. marks: 100**

**Duration :3 Hrs**

### **Unit-I**

#### **Analytic Philosophy**

1. GE.Moore Refutation of Idealism, Defence of Common sense
2. Russell Logical Positivism
3. Wittgenstein Philosophy and Language, meaning and use.
4. Ryle Systematically misleading Expressions, category mistake, concept of mind

### **Unit-II**

Logical Positivism : The meaning of verifiability, The Principle of verification, rejection of Metaphysics

#### **Pragmatism**

1. William James  
Pragmatic Approach, Theory of truth
1. Pirce  
Doubt belief and inquiry, Theory of meaning, Doctrine of fallibilism.
3. Husserl
  - (i) Phenomenological method, Epoche and Reduction.
  - (ii) Concept of Consciousness

### **Unit-III**

1. Heidegger : Being and nothingness, man as being - in - the- world.
2. Bradley: Appearance and Reality, Doctrine of Internal Relation
3. Vivekananda: practical Vedanta, universal religion
4. Aurobindo: Evolution, mind and supermind, integral yogs

### **Unit-IV**

1. Iqbal : self, god, man and superman
2. Tagore: Religion of man, ideas on education.
3. K.C. Bhattacharya : concept of philosophy, subject as freedom, the doctrine of maya.
4. Radhakrishnan: intellect and intuition, the idealist view of life

## Unit-V

1. J. Krishnamurti : Freedom from the known, analysis of self
2. Gandhi: Non- violence, satyagraha, swaraj, critique of modern civilization
3. Ambedkar: Varna and the caste system, neo-buddhism

### Books Recommended

1. B.K. Lal Samkaleen pashchatya Darshan
2. Laxmi Saxena Samkaleen Pashchatya Darshan
3. B.K. Lal Samkaleen Bhartiya Darshan
4. Laxmi Saxena Samkaleen Bhartiya Darshan

## PAPER IX POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY (COMPULSORY)

Note - This paper will contain 5 units and 10 questions, and two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to answer 5 questions in all selecting one from each unit.

**Duration: 3 hrs**

**Max. Marks: 100**

### Unit-I

Plato, Aristotle

### Unit-II

Locke, Rousseau

### Unit-III

Mill, Hegel, Marx.

### Unit-IV

Concept of state. The limits of Political Control. The locus of Authority.

### Unit-V

Sovereignty, Law and Order, Political Government and Economic-Order.

### Books Recommended

1. Sabine History of Political Theory
2. Lane V. Lancaster Masters of Political Thought (ed.) Vol III
3. Barker Plato and his predecessors
4. W. T. Jones Masters of Political thought - Volume II
5. M.B. Foister Masters of Political thought -Vol. I

6. J.P. Suda History of Political thought -I and Vol. II
  7. Machiv e The modern State
  8. A.C. Kapoor The Principal of Political Science
- (Hindi & English both)

9. जे.पी. सूद पाश्चात्य राजनीतिक विचारों का इतिहास Vol. I & II
10. हरिदत्त वेदालकार पाश्चात्य राजनीतिक विचार – खण्ड 1 और 2
11. ओ.पी. गाबा राजनीति विज्ञान के आधार तत्व
12. बी.एल.फड़िया राजनीति विज्ञान के सिद्धान्त
13. डॉ.पी.डी. शर्मा पाश्चात्य राजनीतिक विज्ञान का इतिहास

### **Paper IX B Philosophical Essays (Compulsory)**

Note - In this paper candidates would be required to write a longish essay of 1500 to 2000 words on any 2 topic out of 8 topics given in two sections, selecting one from each section.

**Duration: 3 hrs**

**Max. Marks: 100**

#### **Section -A**

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|--|------------------------------------|
| 1. Moksha                                  | 2. Karmavad                        |
| 3. Samkara's Mayavad                       | 4. Causality                       |
| 5. The self                                | 6. Anuman                          |
| 7. Plato's theory of ideas.                | 8. Proofs for the existence of God |
| 9. Substance                               | 10. Philosophical method           |
| 11. Aristotle's theory of matter and form. | 12. Dialectical method             |

#### **Section - B**

- |                            |                        |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Idealism                | 2. Realism             |
| 3. Absolutism              | 4. Pragmatism          |
| 5. Phenomenology           | 6. Existentialism      |
| 7. Mind body relation      | 8. Concept of value    |
| 9. Philosophy of Language  | 10. The task of ethics |
| 11. Science and Philosophy |                        |

## **OPTIONAL PAPER VI, VII, VIII(1)**

### **PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION**

Note: This paper will contain 5 unit and 10- questions, and two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to answer 5 questions in all selecting one from each unit.

**Duration: 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 100**

#### **Unit- I**

1. The Relevance of Philosophy (from Wilson's Book):
2. The claims of Religion (from Wilson's Book).

#### **Unit-II**

1. Religious Assertions (from wilson's Book).
2. Religious Truths (from wilson's Book).

#### **Unit-III**

1. Religion and Science (from HaITi's Books).
2. Modem Superstitions (from Harri's Books).

#### **Unit-IV**

1. Theology and Language (from Harri's Book).
2. Nature and God (from Harri's Book).

#### **Unit- V**

1. The Christian Revelation (from Harri's Book).
2. Evil and Divine Power (from Harri's Book).

#### **Books Prescribed**

1. Wilson                                      Philosophy of Religion.
2. Errol E: Harris                              Philosophy of Religion.

## **OPTIONAL PAPER VI, VII, VIII(2)**

### **JAINISM**

Note - This paper will contain 5 unit and 10 questions, and two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to answer 5 questions in all selecting one from each unit

**Duration: 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 100**

**Unit-I**

1. The problem of Reality and Nature of Dravya.
2. The doctrine of Non - Absolution (Anekantvad).
3. Nature of Jiva Dravya - its five states (Bhavas)

**Unit-II**

1. Jiva's description into nine ways as
  - (i) vital
  - (ii) possessing upyoga
  - (iii) formless
  - (iv) actor (karta)
  - (v) enjoyer
  - (vi) Co-extensive with the extension of the body
  - (vii) bonded
  - (viii) Liberated
- (ix) being of the nature of upward going (Urdvagaman)
2. Ajiva Dravya - Pudgala, Dharma Adharma, Akash and Kal
3. Critical exposition of the metaphysical systems - Carvaka, Nyaya - vaisesika, Sankhya, Buddhism and Advaita Vedanta

**Unit-III**

1. Jain definition of praman. Critical evaluation of the definitions of praman according to Nyaya and Buddhism.
2. Concept of praman and Naya. Nature and types of Naya.
3. Syadvad and Saptabhangi Naya.

**Unit-IV**

1. Knowledge - its nature and relation to self, five kinds of knowledge, definition, nature and their objectives (Mati Jnana, Shrut Jnana, Avadhi Jnana, Manah Parya Jnana and Keval Jnana).
2. Praman, Pramanyavad, Direct knowledge, nature of Apta and Sarvajya Sidhi.
3. Indirect knowledge - Memory, Recognition, Tarka, Inerence and Testimony (Agam).

**Unit- V**

1. . Jain Theory of Karma - Principles of influx and bondage.
2. Nature anq Means of Moksha (Tirratna).

3. Favourable and Unfavourable conditions of moksha and seven tattvas.

- (i) Jiva (ii) Ajiva (iii) Asrva (iv) Bandh  
(v) Samvara (vi) Nirjan (vii) Moksha

### **Books Recommended**

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. मुनिनथमल               | जैन दर्शन मनन और मीमांसा |
| 2. ब्रह्मदेव              | बृहद् द्रव्य संग्रह      |
| 3. मल्लिसेन               | स्यादवाद मंजरी           |
| 4. डॉ. महेन्द्र कुमार जैन | जैन दर्शन                |
| 5. अनन्तवीर्य             | प्रमेय रत्नमाला          |
| 6. समन्तभद्र              | आप्त मीमांसा             |
| 7. उमा स्वामी             | तत्त्वार्थ सूत्र         |
| 8.                        |                          |

### **Optional Paper VI, VII, VIII (3)**

#### **Buddhism**

Note - This paper will contain 5 unit and 10 questions, an9 two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to answer 5 questions in all selecting one from each unit.

**Duration: 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 100**

#### **Unit-I**

1. Vasubandhu's discussion against the objections to his philosophy.
- 2 Nature of Consciousness and its different transformations. .
3. Subjective Idealism of Vasubandhu.

#### **Unit-II**

1. Vasubandhu's explanation of common experience and external objects.
2. Sense of Vigyapti after the pudgal nairatma and Dharma Nairatma.
3. Apoha theory according to Ratnakiri.

#### **Unit-III**

1. Nature and types of perception according to Dhannakirti.
- 2 Definition of Inference, nature of inference for others.(Pararthanuman).

3. Hetu and concept of trairupya hetu according to Dharmakirti
4. Dharmakirti's views on logic with reference to cognitive and practical behaviour.

#### **Unit-IV**

1. Nagarjuna's criticism of the concept of praman.
2. The role of Reduction and absurdom (Prasangpad anumana) in Nagarjuna's method).
3. Nagarjuna's concept of Shunyata and Shunyavad.

#### **Unit-V**

1. Nagarjuna's debate with opponents for establishment of Shunyavad.
- 2 Theory of dependent origination.
3. Relation between Shunyata and dependent origination.

#### **Books Prescribed:**

1. Dharmakirti Nyaya Bindu
2. Ratnakirti Apoha Sidhi
3. Vasubandhu Vigaptimatra Sidhi.(Vinshika only)
4. Nagarjuna Vighra vyavertini
5. Nagarjuna Mool Madhyamik Karika.

#### **Books Recommended**

1. Narendra Dev Buddha Dharma Darshan
- 2 Tokakura Essentials of Buddhist Philosophy.
3. T.R. V. Murti The Central Philosophy of Buddhism.

### **Optional Paper VI, VII, VIII (4)**

#### **Vedanta Darshan**

Note - This paper will contain 5 unit and 10 questions, and two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to answer 5 questions in all selecting one from each unit.

**Duration: 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 100**

#### **Unit- I**

Sankara: Brahman, Jiva, Maya, World, Moksha



## **Unit-II**

Ramanuja: Brahman, Jiva, Maya, World, Moksha

## **Unit-III**

Madhava : Brahman, Jiva, Maya, World, Moksha

## **Unit-IV**

Nimbarka: Brahman, Jiva, Maya, World, Moksha

## **Unit- V**

Vallabha: Brahman, Jiva, Maya, World, Moksha

### **Books prescribed:**

1. Brahma Sutra Samkara Bhasya
2. Barahma Sutra Ramanuja Bhasya
3. Brahma Sutra Madhava Bhasya
4. Brahma Sutra Nimbarka Bhasya
5. Brahma Sutra Vallabha Bhasya
6. S.N. Das Gupta History of Indian Philosophy (Vol. I to V related chapters only)

### **Optional Paper VI, VII, VIII (5)**

#### **Philosophy of History**

Note - This paper will contain 5 unit and 10 questions, and two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to answer 5 questions in all selecting one from each unit.

**Duration: 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 100**

#### **Unit-I**

Chapter I-Historian and his facts (from Carr's Book).

Chapter 2-Society and Individual (from Carr's Book).

#### **Unit- II**

Chapter 3-History, Science and Morality (from Carr's Book).

Chapter 4-Causation in History (from Carr's Book).

#### **Unit-III**

Chapter 5-History as progress (from Carr's Book).

Chapter 6- Widening Horizons (from Carr's Book).

#### **Unit-IV**

Anti naturalistic theories of Historicism (from Popper's Book).

Pro-naturalistic theories of historicism (from Popper's Book).

#### **Unit- V**

The criticism of anti naturalistic theories of Historicism (from Popper's Book).The criticism of pro-naturalistic theories of Historicism (from Popper's Book).

#### **Books Prescribed:**

1. Carr. E.H. What is History
2. Karl Popper Poverty of Historicism.

#### **Books Recommended**

1. Arthur C. Danto Analytical Philosophy of History
2. Patric Cardrit The Nature of Historical Explanation  
(Both from Oxford University Press)

### **Optional Paper VI, VII, VIII (6)**

#### **Philosophy of Gandhi**

Note - This paper will contain 5 unit and 10 questions, and two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to answer 5 questions in all selecting one from each unit.

**Duration: 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 100**

Unit-I

1. The Gandhian Concept of man.
2. World and God
3. God and Truth.
4. God and evil.

#### **Unit- II**

1. Gandhi's view (If Religion. Hinduism.
2. Unity of all religions.

#### **Unit-III**

1. Gandhian Ethics.
2. Non - violence and Truth.

#### **Unit-IV**

Gandhian Social Philosophy. 2. Varnasharma  
Marriage 4. Property and Trustship  
Status of women, untouchability.

#### **Unit- V**

Gandhian Political Philosophy. 2. Satyagrah.  
Democracy 4. Sarvodaya.

#### **Books Recommended**

1. M.K. Gandhi The Story of my experiment with Truth
2. D.M. Dutta The Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi
3. Ramji Singh Gandhi Darshan Mimansa
4. Mahadeo Prasad Social Philosophy of Gandhi
5. Kama K.K.L. Mahatma Gandhis' Contribution to Hinduism

### **Optional Paper VI, VII, VIII (7)**

#### **Philosophy of Bhagwatgita**

Note - This paper will contain 5 unit and 10 questions, and two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to answer 5 questions in all selecting one from each unit.

**Duration: 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 100**

#### **Unit- I**

Psychological Analysis of Arjuna's Mental Condition.

Criteria of the Imperishable Nature of the Atman.

Characteristics of Sthitaprajna.

#### **Unit-II**

Reconciliation of the various apparent contradiction in Gita

Prakrti - Para and Aparajna

#### **Unit-III**

The Brahma Yogi and Nishkam - Karma Yogi

The interdependence of Bhakti, Jnana and Vairagya.

#### **Unit-IV**

Personal and impersonal aspects of God.

The meaning of various Vibhuties of God.

Description of Vishvarupa and its reactions in Arjuna's mind.

### **Unit-V**

The, Status of Purushottam.

Divine and Demoniatic Heritage

### **Books Recommended**

Tilak B.G

Gita Rahasya

Munshi Ram Manohar Lal

Brahma Yoga of the Gita

## **Optional Paper VI, VII, VIII (8)**

### **Philosophy of Law**

Note - This paper will contain 5 unit and 10 questions, and two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to answer 5 questions in all selecting one from each unit.

**Duration: 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks:100**

### **Unit- I**

The concept of law -

Old Testament, Plato and Aristotle

Stoics, St. Augustine, Thomas Aquinas.

Humanists, Modern view.

### **Unit-II**

Statutory law Vs. Natural Law.

Common Law Vs. Natural Law.

### **Unit-III**

Law as class ideology Marx and Engles.

Philosophical Liberalism in Law.

### **Unit-IV**

Fundamental Concept of Law

Good

Justice

Equity

Law and Authority  
Law and its Breach  
Peace and the world (Community).

**Unit- V**

Legal ideals and the Good life

**books recommended :**

The philosophy of law in Historical perspective - Friedrich Carl Joachim. Open Society and its Enemies Vol. II  
Ethical systems and Legal Ideas - Cohen F.

**Optional Paper VI, VII, VIII (9)**

**Advance Ethics**

Note - This paper will contain 5 unit and 10 questions, and two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to answer 5 questions in all selecting one from each unit. .

**Duration: 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 100**

**Unit-I**

N. Hartman Ethics Vol. - 1: Chapter 1 - 3

**Unit-II**

N. Hartman - Ethics Vol. 1: Chapter 4-6

**Unit-III**

N. Hartman - Ethics Vol. 1: Chapter 14, 19 and 23

**Unit-IV**

R.M. Hare - Language of Morals.

**Unit- V**

R.M. Hare - Language of Morals.

**Books Prescribed**

1. N. Hartman Ethics Vol. I
2. R.M.Hare Language of Morals.

## **Optional Paper VI, VII, VIII (10)**

### **Philosophy of Yoga**

#### **Unit - I**

Basic concepts of Sankhya darshan : Dukh, Theory of evolution, Satkarya – vada.

Different Kind of Yoga : Raj yoga, karma yoga, Bhaktiyoga, Jnana Yoga. Yoga in BhagwatGita and other Indian texts and Philosophy. Concept of Panchkosha, Nadi and Vayu.

#### **Unit – II**

Patanjali Yoga Sutra

Chapter – I                      Samadhi Pada

Chapter – II                      Sadhana Pada

#### **Unit – III**

Patanjali Yoga Sutras

Chapter – III                      Vibhuti Pada

Chapter – IV                      Kaivalya Pada

#### **Unit – IV**

Yama, Niyama, Asmas, Pranayama Dhyana, Samadhi Shatkarma, Mudras, Chakras Bandhas, Sidhhi, Kundain

**Study of above concepts described in the following Yogic Texts.**

- Hatha Pradipika by Swatmaran
- Vashishtha Samhita (Yogkand)
- Gheramd Saimhita
- Ashtang Yoga by Charandas

#### **Unit – V**

- Basic Principles of Yoga Practices
- Scientific basis of Yogic Practices
- Benefits of Yoga Practice
- Yoga practice and food
- Causes of Tridosha (Vata, pitta and Kapha) and yoga therapy
- Stress management and Yoga

- meaning and types of personality; Role of yoga in personality development.
- Meaning and classification of value and Yoga.
- Method, benefits and pictorial representation of stages of SURYA NAMASKAR.

### **Basic Texts**

- Patanjali Yoga Sutra
- Hatha Pradipika by Swatmaram
- Vashishtha Saimhita
- Gherand Samhita
- Ashtang Yoga by Sant Charandas

### **Reference Books**

- पतंजलि योग सूत्र उदयवीर शास्त्री
- योगविज्ञान प्रदीपिका : विजयपाल शास्त्री
- Complete books of Yoga : Swami Vivekananda
- Personality development Uday Shankar
- Light of the Yoga Sutras of Patanjali : B.K.S. Iyenger
- भारतीय योग परम्परा के विविध आयाम : राजकुमारी पाण्डेय

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