

M.A. PHILOSOPHY (MAPY)

Term-End Examination

December, 2013

MPYE-003 : EPISTEMOLOGY

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

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- Note :** (i) *Answer all five questions.*
(ii) *All questions carry equal marks.*
(iii) *Answers to question no. 1 and 2 should be in about 500 words each.*
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1. Examine the various theories of truth in Western Epistemology. 20

OR

What do you understand by 'to know' in an epistemological sense ? How is truth related to reasonableness ? 20

2. What is hermeneutics ? Explain the three components of hermeneutical enterprise. 20

OR

Explain in detail the Indian theories of error (Khyativada) 20

3. Answer any two of the following in about 250 words each.
- (a) Define Pratyaksa (Perception) and distinguish between Nirvikalpa and Savikalpa Pratyaksa. 10

- (b) Examine the reconstruction of Metaphysics by the linguistic philosophy. 10
- (c) What is epistemic justification ? Why is it important in the linguistic philosophy ? 10
- (d) Describe the nature and scope of epistemology. 10
4. Answer **any four** of the following in about **150** words each.
- (a) How does a 'concept' differ from 'idea' in scholastic philosophy ? 5
- (b) Distinguish between Laukika and Alaukika perception. 5
- (c) Describe the importance of Sabda Pramana in Indian thought. 5
- (d) What is the Problematic of language philosophy ? 5
- (e) Highlight the contributions of Hans George Gadamer to the hermeneutics. 5
- (f) Write a note on Upamana (analogy). 5
5. Write short notes on **any five** of the following in about **100** words each :
- (a) Hypothetico - deductive method 4
- (b) Semantic holism 4
- (c) Moral certitude 4
- (d) Internalism Vs Externalism 4
- (e) Anupalabdhi (Non-apprehension) 4
- (f) Knowledge and Truth 4
- (g) Arthapatti 4
- (h) Truth and error 4