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M.A. PHILOSOPHY (MAPY)

Term-End Examination

June, 2015

MPYE-006 : DALIT PHILOSOPHY

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

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.*

1. Explain the social standing of the dalits today. 20
What do you think would be an adequate response to this situation ?

OR

Write an essay on the philosophy of Ambedkar 20
with special reference to his philosophical analysis of religion.

2. What is the dalit image of the divine ? Are the 20
dalit religious symbols pragmatic and constructive ? Comment.

OR

Is dalit eschatology materialistic ? Explain. How 20
are the dalit symbols and divine images this worldly ?

3. Answer **any two** of the following in about **250** words each :
- (a) Make a cultural analysis of the dalit rituals. **10**
How are they differentiated characteristically from the non - dalit rituals ?
 - (b) Write an essay on the dehumanization of the dalits through exclusion. **10**
 - (c) Write brief notes on various values upheld in the Tirukkural. **10**
 - (d) What are the salient features of dalit religion ? Explain. **10**
4. Answer **any four** of the following in about **150** words each :
- (a) What is the impact of globalization on the dalits ? **5**
 - (b) Briefly explain the philosophy of liberation. **5**
 - (c) Do you think Buddha was a pragmatic thinker ? Explain. **5**
 - (d) Explain subaltern identity. **5**
 - (e) Make clear the dalit perspective of evil. **5**
 - (f) Does caste cut across barriers of religions ? **5**
5. Write short notes on **any five** of the following in about **100** words each :
- (a) Enlightenment **4**
 - (b) Narayana Guru **4**
 - (c) Dalit understanding of Body **4**
 - (d) Brahmanism **4**
 - (e) Purushartha **4**
 - (f) Purity and pollution **4**
 - (g) Sramana **4**
 - (h) Dalit World View **4**