

ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, 2016

M.A. PHILOSOPHY

[Field of Study Code : SPHM (229)]

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Section—A is compulsory. Three questions are to be attempted from Section—B and Section—C, choosing at least one question from each Section.

SECTION—A

1. Write short notes (comprising of 200 to 250 words each) on any four of the following : 10×4=40
- (a) *Pratityasamudpāda*
 - (b) *Anekāntavāda*
 - (c) *Puruṣārtha*
 - (d) Potential and actual being
 - (e) Clear and distinct idea
 - (f) Act utilitarian and rule utilitarian

SECTION—B

2. Critically examine the arguments for and against Descartes' dualism between mind and body. 20
3. Discuss the transition from potential being to actual being in Aristotle. 20

4. What are synthetic a priori judgments? How are they possible? 20
5. Write an essay on the nature of *Puruṣa* and *Prakṛti* according to Sāṅkhya School of Classical Indian Philosophy. 20

Or

What are the different steps involved in the process of *anumāna* according to Nyāya Philosophy? Explain, in this context, the difference between *Svārtha anumāna* and *Parārtha anumāna*. 20

SECTION—C

6. What is the idea of good? Discuss the distinction between good and evil in western philosophical tradition. 20
7. Write an essay on Gandhi's conception of Swarāj. In this context, explain the difference between 'self-rule' and 'home rule'. 20
8. "The personal is political." Comment. 20
