

CSM : 15

PHILOSOPHY

PAPER - I

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Full Marks : 100

Marks for each question is indicated against it.

Attempt any 5 (five) questions taking not more than 3 (three) questions from each Part.

PART A

1. Explain in detail Plato's theory of Ideas. What are the important objections against this theory? **(15+5=20)**
2. Discuss any two objections of Locke against the theory of Innate Ideas. How does Locke distinguish between the primary qualities and secondary qualities of Substance? Is this theory acceptable? **(6+12+2=20)**
3. Why according to Logical Positivist is the knowledge of Metaphysics nonsensical? **(20)**
4. "Existence is prior to essence". Explain. **(20)**

PART B

5. Critically examine the Carvaka's theory of Materialism. **(20)**
6. 'The origin of life's evil is explained by Buddha in the light of his special conception of natural causation'. Critically discuss the implications of this statement. **(20)**
7. Distinguish between Purusa and Prakrti. How does Samkhya prove the existence of the Purusa? **(10+10=20)**
8. 'This world is a manifestation of the Sabda-Brahman'. Critically discuss the significance of this statement in the Vedanta schools of thought. **(20)**

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