

CSM : 24

PHILOSOPHY PAPER - I

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

QUESTION PAPER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

(Please read each of the following instruction carefully before attempting questions)

There are eight (8) questions - four (4) questions each in Part A & B. Each question carries 20 marks.

Marks for each question is indicated against it.

Compulsory questions :

(a) Question No. 1 from Part-A and

(b) Question No. 5 from Part-B

[Compulsory questions No. 1 & 5 have 4 (four) Sub-questions carrying 5 marks each.]

Total No. of questions to be attempted :

5 (five) questions.

[A candidate shall attempt 2 (two) compulsory questions from Part A and B. Out of the remaining 6 (six) questions, 3 (three) are to be attempted taking at least 1 (one) but not more than 2 (two) questions from each Part]

Word Limit:

(a) Compulsory questions carrying 5 marks shall have a limit of 150 words.

(b) There shall be no word limit for the remaining questions.

PART - A

1. Answer the following : (5×4=20)
- (a) What is the purpose of Plato's 'Allegory of the Cave'?
 - (b) Briefly explain John Locke's theory of knowledge.
 - (c) Explain Logical Positivist's attempt to eliminate metaphysics.
 - (d) Examine Kierkegaard's concept of choice.
2. What is 'methodic doubt'? How does Descartes established truth that he considered to be certain? (15+5=20)
3. How does Kant argue for the transcendence of Space and Time? Discuss. (20)
4. State and examine Hegel's Absolute Idealism. (20)

PART - B

5. Answer the following : (5×4=20)
- (a) On what ground do *Carvaka* reject the validity of inference?
 - (b) Distinguish between *Laukika* pratyaksha and *Alaukika* pratyaksha of Nyaya Philosophy.
 - (c) Give a short account on the constituents of Prakriti.
 - (d) Explain the concept of Brahman according to Advaita.
6. State and examine Carvaka's theory of Materialism. (20)
7. Vaisheshika accepts six categories or predicaments (Padarthas). Explain. (20)
8. Evaluate the nature of Purusa. Critically examine the argument given by Samkhya regarding the existence of Purusa. (10+10=20)

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