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**M.A. Philosophy**  
**Final (Annual)**  
(w.e.f. Academic Session: ~~2014-15~~ 2016-2017)

Maximum Marks: 100

Theory: 80

Internal Assessment: 20

Time: 3 Hours

**Paper – VI: Contemporary Western Philosophy**

(Compulsory Paper)

**Instructions:** The paper setter is requested to set Nine questions in all i.e., One Compulsory Objective Type Question without any choice, equitably distributed over the whole syllabi and Two Questions from Each Unit, spread all over the concerned unit, will also be set. Examinees will have to attempt Five questions in all, selecting one question from each unit. Objective Type Question is compulsory. All questions carry equal marks.

**Unit-1:** B. Russell: Logical Atomism; Knowledge by Acquaintance and Knowledge by Description. G. E. Moore: A Defense of Common-sense; Refutation of Idealism.

**Unit-2:** G. Frege: Sense and Reference, L. Wittgenstein: Meaning as Reference; Nature and Function of philosophy. A. J. Ayer: Rejection of Metaphysics. J. L. Austin: Speech Act; Performative Utterances.

**Unit-3:** John Dewey: Instrumentalism. William James: Radical Empiricism. G. Ryle: Category Mistake; Descartes' Myth. E. Husserl: Phenomenological Method; Intentionality of Consciousness.

**Unit-4:** M. Heidegger: Modes of Dasein; Authentic Existence and Inauthentic Existence, S.A. Kierkegaard: Truth is Subjectivity; Three stages of Existence. Jean Paul Sartre: Existence precedes Essence; Being-in-itself; Being-for-itself; Being-for-others; Consciousness and Nothingness. F. Nietzsche: Atheistic Existentialism; Will to Power.

**Suggested Books:**

Ajit Kumar Sinha: *Samkalin Darshan*.

B.K. Lal: *Samkalin Paschatya Darshan*.

Laxmi Saxena: *Samkalin Darshan*.

Jagdish Sahay Shrivastav: *Paschatya Darshan ke paramukh Darshnik Parvartiyen*.

John Macquarrie: *Existentialism*.

H.J. Blackham: *Six Existentialist Thinkers*.

M.K. Bhadra: *A Critical Survey of Phenomenology and Existentialism*.

Martine Heidegger: *Introduction to Metaphysics*.

B.K. Lal: *Contemporary Western Philosophy*.

Yacub Masih: *Contemporary Western Philosophy*.

  
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**Paper – VII: Social and Political Philosophy**  
**(Group – A: Optional Paper)**

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**Unit-1:** Social Philosophy: Definition and Nature of Social Philosophy; Methods of Social Philosophy; Significance of Social Philosophy; Relation with Sociology, Political Science, Philosophy and Religion.


**Unit-2:** Social Change: Kinds of Social Change; Factors which promote Social Change. Social Progress: Concept and Factors. Family: Family as a social institution; Role of Family in Socialization of Individual. Joint Family System: Merits and Demerits of Joint Family in Modern Society.

**Unit-3:** Social and Political Concepts: Equality, Justice, Liberty. Education: Meaning, Definition and Objectives of Education. Indian Social System: Varna-System; Theories of Origin and Position of different Varnas; Difference between Caste and Varna.

**Unit-4:** Individual and Society: Meaning of Society; Theories of the Origin of Society; Political Ideologies: Socialism, Humanism, Secularism. Gender Equality: Meaning of Gender Equality; Position of Women: An Existential Analysis; Position of Women in India; Reformist Movements.

**Suggested Books:**

- Ajit Kumar Sinha, *Outlines of Social Philosophy*, Sinha Publishing House (P) Ltd., Calcutta, 1965.  
 A.P. Dubey, *Applied Ethics*, Northern Book Centre, New Delhi, 2004.  
 Barbara Goodwin, *Using Political Ideas*, John Willey Sons, New York, 1991.  
 J.S. Makenzi, *Samaj Darshan Ka Ruprekha*, Rajkamal Parkashan, New Delhi, 1962.  
 Peter Singer, *Applied Ethics*, Oxford University Press, 1986.  
 Ramender, *Samaj Avam Rajniti Darshan*, Motilal Banarsidass, Delhi, 2005.  
 Satyapal Gautam, *Samaj Darshan*, Haryana Sahitya Academy, Panchkula, 2004.  
 Shivbhanu Singh, *Samaj Darshan Ka Sarvekshan*, Sharda Pustak Bhandar, Allahabad, 2008.

  
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**Paper – VIII: Philosophy of Religion**  
**(Group – A: Optional Paper)**

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**Unit-1:** Definition and Nature of Religion; Definition and Nature of Philosophy of Religion; The Significance of Philosophy of Religion; Relation of Religion with Science, Ethics and Philosophy. Theories of the Origin of Religion. Religious Experience and Religious Consciousness.

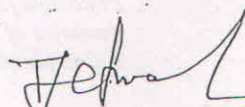
**Unit-2:** Concept and Attributes of God. Arguments for the Existence of God: Ontological Argument, Cosmological Argument and Teleological Argument. Transcendence and Immanence; God and the Absolute; Deism, Theism, Pantheism.

**Unit-3:** Inter-Religious Dialogue and the Possibility of Universal Religion with Special Reference to Hinduism, Buddhism and Christianity. Theories of Religious Language: Cognitive, Semi-Cognitive Theories.

**Unit-4:** Secularism; Religious Harmony and Religious Tolerance, Mysticism. God, Man and the World; Brahman, Isvara, Jiva and Jagat. Concept of God in Indian Philosophy.

**Suggested Books:**

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| A.Thompson        | : <i>A Modern Philosophy of Religion.</i>     |
| H.P.Sinha         | : <i>Dharma Darshan ke Ruprekha.</i>          |
| J.Hick            | : <i>Philosophy of Religion.</i>              |
| M.Hiriyanna       | : <i>Quest for Perfection.</i>                |
| N.K.Brahma        | : <i>Philosophy of Hindu Sadhana.</i>         |
| N. Smart          | : <i>The Religious Experience of Mankind.</i> |
| R.Otto            | : <i>The Idea of the Holy.</i>                |
| Swami Vivekananda | : <i>Complete Works</i> (relevant chapters)   |
| W.James           | : <i>Varieties of Religious Experience.</i>   |
| Yacub Masih       | : <i>Samanyu Dharam Darshan.</i>              |

  
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**Paper – IX: Comparative Religion**  
**(Group – A: Optional Paper)**

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**Unit-1: Hinduism :** Concept of God; Concept of Soul; Theory of World; Law of Karma; Rebirth; Liberation and Paths of Liberation. Dr. Schweitzer's views against Hinduism and Dr. S. Radhakrishnan's answer.


**Unit-2: Buddhism:** Anti-metaphysical Attitude of Buddha; Four Noble-Truths; Theory of No-Soul; Difference between Hinayana and Mahayana Sects. Jainism: Theory of Substance; Concept of Soul; Theory of Bondage and Liberation.

**Unit-3: Sikhism:** Essential Characteristics of Sikhism, Concept of Akal Purusha, Jivatma and Salvation. Islam: Concept of God (Allah); The Cardinal Principles of Islam; Five Pillars of Islam; Ethical Teachings of Islam.

**Unit-4: Christianity:** Concept of God; The Nature of the World; Problem of Evil and its Solution; Christianity and the Sermon of the Mount. Zoroastrianism: Concept of God; Problem of Evil and its Solution; Main Characteristics of Zoroastrianism.

**Suggested Books:**

A. Thompson	: <i>A Modern Philosophy of Religion.</i>
H.P. Sinha	: <i>Dharma Darshan ke Ruprekha.</i>
J. Hick	: <i>Philosophy of Religion.</i>
Kedar Nath Tiwari	: <i>Comparative Religion.</i>
M. Hiriyanna	: <i>Quest for Perfection.</i>
N.K. Brahma	: <i>Philosophy of Hindu Sadhana.</i>
N. Smart	: <i>The Religious Experience of Mankind.</i>
R. Otto	: <i>The Idea of the Holy.</i>
Swami Vivekananda	: <i>Complete Works</i> (relevant chapters)
V.P. Verma	: <i>Dharma Darshan ki Mool Samsayayein.</i>
Vatsyayan	: <i>Philosophy of Religion</i> (World Religions)
W. James	: <i>Varieties of Religious Experience.</i>
Yacub Masih	: <i>A Comparative Philosophy of Religion</i>

  
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**Paper – X: Yoga as Applied Philosophy**  
(Group – A: Optional Paper)

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**Unit-1:** Philosophy of Yoga: Meaning, Definition, Origin & Development of Yoga. Doctrine of Three Gunas; Prakrti; Purusa.

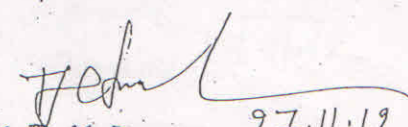
**Unit-2:** Citta and its Vritis; Methods of Citta-control; Five kinds of Yama and Niyama; Their Role in Yoga and their Importance in Personal and Social Life; Five types of Kleshas and Stages of Kleshas; Types of Antrayas.

**Unit-3:** Asanas: Principles of their Practice, Their Kinds and Their Cultural, Physiological and Therapeutic effect. Pranayama: Its various techniques and benefits. Pratyahara; Dharma (Contemplation); Dhayana; Samadhi and its Stages.

**Unit-4:** Citta-Bhumiyan and Stages of Samapatti and its varieties; How to Built Mental Health (Brahamviharas); Yoga practice for removal of Mental Stress, Tension, Anxiety and Hypertension; Yoga for Elimination of Terrorism; Yoga for our daily behavior; Yoga, War and Peace; Yoga and Modern Education System.

**Suggested Books:**

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| K.S.Bashi                       | : Cure Yourself Through Yoga.  |
| Pavan Kumari                    | : Patanjali Yoga Sutra: A Critical Study.                              |
| Raghunath Safaya                | : Indian Psychology.   |
| Ramnath Sharma & Rachana Sharma | : Bhartiya Manovijyana.  |
| Sri Ram Chandra Gupta           | : Yogic Culture and Modern Man- Secrets of Vital Health and Happiness. |
| Swami Shivapermananda           | : Step-by-Step Yoga for Stress Relief.                                 |
| Surender Kumar Sharma           | : Hathayoga: Ek Atihasik Pripekshya.                                   |
| Swami Sampurnananda             | : Yoga-Darshan.  |
| S.P. Atreya                     | : Yoga Psychology.   |
| Swami Vivekananda               | : Raja Yoga.   |
| Udayavir Shastri                | : Samkhya Sutra- Kapilmuni.  |
| A.B.Keith (Trans.Shiv Kumar)    | : Samkhya Darshan ka Itihas.   |
| Shrimad Bhagvad Gita            | (only chapter 2,3,6 & 12th)  |
| Osho Rajneeshi                  | : Yog Darshan  |
| Maharishi Patanjli              | : Yogsutra   |

  
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