


B.A. I (Subsidiary)
Paper - I
General Philosophy & Ethics

1. Nature and Scope of Philosophy
2. Epistemological theories : Rationalism, Empiricism, Criticism, Realism and Idealism
3. Theories of Reality : Materialism and Idealism
4. Creationism and Darwin's Theory of Evolution
5. Branches of Ethics : Normative Ethics, Metaethics & Applied Ethics
6. Freedom of Will as a postulate of Ethics
7. Nature of Moral Judgement : Cognitivism and non-cognitivism
8. Object of Moral Judgment
9. Rigorism of Kant
10. Hedonism of Bentham and Mill

Suggested Readings

1. Richard Taylor : Metaphysics
2. Pojman : Introduction of Philosophy
3. Introduction to Philosophy : J. N. Sinha
4. राजेन्द्र प्रसाद : दर्शनशास्त्र की रूपरेखा
5. केदारनाथ तिवारी : तत्वमीमांसा एवं ज्ञानमीमांसा
6. अशोक कुमार वर्मा : नीतिशास्त्र की भूमिका


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B.A. II (Subsidiary)


Paper - II

Indian Philosophy

1. Common Characteristics of Orthodox System & Heterodox System
2. Charvaka/Lokayata-Epistemology and Metaphysics & Ethics
3. Buddhism - Four Noble Truths
4. Jainism - Dravya, Syadavada, Bondage & Liberation
5. Sankhya - Satkaryavada, Theory of Evolution
6. Yoga - Eightfold path
7. Nyaya - Theory of Pramanas : Pratyaksha & Anuman
8. Vaishesika - The seven categories
9. Vedanta - Shankara : Brahman, Soul and World
10. Ramanuja : Brahman and Ishwar

Suggested Readings

1. Datta & Chatterjee : Introduction to Indian Philosophy
2. चटर्जी एवं दत्ता : भारतीय दर्शन
3. हरेन्द्र प्रसाद सिन्हा : भारतीय दर्शन की रूपरेखा
4. नरेश प्रसाद तिवारी : चार्वाक का नैतिक दर्शन


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Paper - I

Logic and Scientific Method

1. Definition, Subject matter and branches of Logic
2. Nature of Arguments and Propositions
3. Deductive and Inductive Arguments
4. Truth and Validity
5. The Three Laws of Thought
6. Classification of Categorical Propositions according to quality and quantity
7. Distribution of terms and Square of Oppositions
8. Immediate Inference : Conversion and Obsession
9. Categorical Syllogism : Figure and Moods
10. Syllogistic Rules and Fallacies, Valid Moods
11. Explanations : Scientific and Unscientific
12. Hypothesis and Crucial Experiments
13. Fallacies : Argumentum and Hominem (abusive), Argumentum ad Verecundiam (appeal to authority), Converse Accident (hasty generalization)

Suggested Readings

1. Irving M. Copi, Introduction to Logic
2. Irving M. Copi, Symbolic Logic
3. Cohen and Nagel, An Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method
4. B. N. Roy, Deductive Logic
5. B. N. Roy, Inductive Logic
6. अशोक कुमार वर्मा, निगमन तर्कशास्त्र
7. अशोक कुमार वर्मा, प्रतीकात्मक तर्कशास्त्र
8. अशोक कुमार वर्मा, वैज्ञानिक प्रणाली
9. गंगादत्त झा, आगमन तर्कशास्त्र
10. गंगादत्त झा, निगमन तर्कशास्त्र

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B.A. I (Honours)

Paper - II

General Philosophy (Epistemology & Metaphysics)

1. Nature, Scope and Branches of Philosophy : Its Relation with Science, Religion and Culture
2. Epistemological Theories : Rationalism, Empiricism and Criticism; Realism and Idealism
3. Theories of Reality : Materialism, Idealism, Monism, Dualism and Pluralism
4. Cosmological Theories : Creationism and Evolutionism, Darwin's Theory of Evolution
5. Theories of Truth : Correspondence and Coherence
6. Causality : Mill and Hume
7. Logical Positivism : Verificationist Theory of Meaning, Elimination of Metaphysics, Function of Philosophy
8. Epistemological Realism & Idealism

Suggested Readings

1. John Hospers, An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis
2. A. J. Ayer, The Central Question of Philosophy
3. Bertrand Russell, The Problems of Philosophy
4. Richard Taylor, Metaphysics
5. John Passmore, A Hundred Years of Philosophy
6. J. N. Sinha : Introduction to Philosophy
7. राजेन्द्र प्रसाद, दर्शनशास्त्र की रूपरेखा
8. केदार नाथ तिवारी, तत्वमीमांसा एवं ज्ञानमीमांसा
9. अशोक कुमार वर्मा, तत्वमीमांसा एवं ज्ञानमीमांसा
9. बी.के. लाल, समकालीन पाश्चात्य दर्शन

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Paper - III

Ethics

1. Nature of Ethics : Normative, Metaethics and Applied Ethics
2. Analysis of Voluntary Action
3. Freedom of Will as a Postulate of Ethics
4. Judgment of Fact and Judgment of Value : Cognitivism and Non-cognitivism
5. Concepts of Good, Right, Ought and Duty
6. Object of Moral Judgment : Motive, Consequence and Intention
7. Teleological (Consequentialist) and Deontological (Non-consequentialist) Theories of Ethics
8. Standard of Morality : Intuitionism (Moral Sense Theory), Kant's Rigorism, Perfectionism (Hegel and Bradley), Hedonism : Egoistic & Altruistic (Bentham & Mill)
9. Theories of Punishment : Retributive, Reformative and Deterrent
10. Indian Ethics : Varnashrama Dharma, Purushartha, Nishkama Karma, Sthitaprajya, Daiva and Purushkara, Pravriti and Nivriti

Suggested Readings

1. W. Frankena, Ethics
2. I. C. Sharma, Ethical Philosophies of India
3. S. K. Maitra, The Ethics of the Hindus
4. अशोक कुमार वर्मा, नीतिशास्त्र की रूपरेखा
5. वेद प्रकाश वर्मा, नीतिशास्त्र के मूल सिद्धांत
6. वेद प्रकाश वर्मा, अधिनीतिशास्त्र के मुख्य सिद्धांत
7. नरेश प्रसाद तिवारी, चार्वाक का नैतिक दर्शन
8. नित्यानन्द मिश्र, नीतिशास्त्र

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Paper - IV

Indian Philosophy

1. Salient Features of Indian Philosophy
2. Charvaka/Lokayata Philosophy : Epistemology, Metaphysics.
3. Jainism : Dravya, Anekantavada, Syadvad, Bondage and Liberation
4. Buddhism Four : Noble Truths, Schools of Buddhism : Shunyada, Vigyanvada, Sautrantic , Vaivashika
5. Nyaya Philosophy : Theory of Pramanas, God and Proofs for His existence
6. Vaishesika Philosophy : Padarthas
7. Sankhya Philosophy : Theory of Causation, Prakriti, Purusha, Relation between Prakriti & Purusha, Theory of Evolution.
8. Yoga Philosophy : Eightfold path
9. Mimansa Philosophy : Dharma, Apurva
10. Shankar's Vedant : Brahma, Soul and World
11. Ramanuja's : Ishwar and Brahma

Suggested Readings

1. M. Hiriyanna : Outlines of Indian Philosophy
2. C.D. Sharma : A critical survey of Indian Philosophy
3. S.N. Dasgupta : A History of Indian Philosophy, Vol. I to V
4. S. Radhakrishnan : Indian Philosophy, Vols. I & II
5. P.T. Raju : Structural Depths of Indian Thought
6. Datta & Chatterjee : Introduction to Indian Philosophy
7. चटर्जी एवं दत्ता : भारतीय दर्शन
8. हरेन्द्र प्रसाद सिन्हा : भारतीय दर्शन की रूपरेखा
9. वसंत कुमार लाल : भारतीय दर्शन
10. देवी प्रसाद चट्टोपाध्याय : भारतीय दर्शन में क्या जीवंत है और क्या मृत

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Paper - V

Modern Western Philosophy

1. Descartes : Method, Cogito Ergo Sum, Substance, God and Mind Body dualism,
2. Spinoza : Geometrical Method, Substance, Attributes and Modes, Pantheism,
3. Leibnitz : Monads, God, Pre-established Harmony
4. Locke : Refutaion of Innate Ideas, Simple and Complex Ideas, Primary and Secondary Qualities
5. Berkeley : Refutation of Matter, Esse est Percipi
6. Hume : Impressions and Ideas, Theory of causation and Scepticism
7. Kant : Possibility of Synthetic Judgment a priori, Space and Time, Phenomena and Noumena
8. Hegel : Dialectical Method, Absolute Idealism

Suggested Readings

1. Conlestone : A History of Philosophy
2. A. K. Rogers : A Students History of Philosophy
3. W.K. Wright : A History of Modern Philosophy
4. W. T. Stace : A Critical History of Greek Philosophy
5. Y. Masih : A Critical History of Western Philosophy
6. Datta & Chatterjee : Introduction to Indian Philosophy
7. याकुब मसीह : पाश्चात्य दर्शन का समीक्षात्मक सर्वक्षण
8. जमुना प्रसाद अवस्थी : आधुनिक पाश्चात्य दर्शन
9. दयाकृष्ण : पाश्चात्य दर्शन भाग 1, 2
10. नरेश प्रसाद तिवारी : आधुनिक पाश्चात्य दर्शन की चार धाराएँ


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Paper - VI

Social and Political Philosophy

1. Social Philosophy : Its Nature and Relation to Sociology
2. Social Change : Tradition and Modernity
3. Social Stratification : Caste and Class, Social Mobility
4. Marriage and Institutions
5. Scientific Temper and Progress
6. Political Philosophy : Its Nature and Distinction from Political Science
7. Individual & State
8. Political Concepts : Liberty, Equality, Justice, Political Obligation
9. Forms of Government : Monarchy, Theocracy and Democracy
11. Political Ideologies : Socialism, Secularism and Humanism
12. Method of Political Action : Constitutionalism, Terrorism, Revolution and Satyagraha

Suggested Readings

1. D.D. Raphael : Problems of Political Philosophy
2. N.V. Joshi : Social and Political Philosophy
3. A.K. Sinha : Outlines of Social Philosophy
4. K. C. Roy & C. Gupta (Eds.) : Essays in Social and Political Philosophy
5. अशोक कुमार वर्मा : प्रारम्भिक समाज एवं राजनीति दर्शन
6. रमेश चन्द्र सिन्हा : समाज दर्शन
7. रमेन्द्र : समाज और राजीति दर्शन

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Paper - VII

Philosophy of Religion

1. Philosophy of Religion : Its Nature and Relationship to Theology
2. Nature of Religion, Religion and Morality and Religion without God
3. Foundations of Religious Belief : Reason, Faith, Revelation and Mystic Experience
4. Nature of Religious Experience : Nature and Object (Indian and Western)
5. Concept of God : Attributes, Relation to Man and the World (Indian and Western)
6. Arguments for the Existence of God : Ontological, Cosmological, Causal, Teleological and Moral
7. Problem of Evil : Natural and Moral Evil, Theistic Solutions of the Problem of Evil
8. Immortality of Soul : Arguments in Favour and Against
9. Problem of Sin and Salvation; Rebirth and Liberation
10. Unity of Religions and Religious Tolerance
11. Conversion and Secularism

Suggested Readings

1. John Hick : Philosophy of Religion
2. D. M. Edwards : The Philosophy of Religion
3. D. P. Chattopadhyaya : Indian Atheism
4. Yakub Masih : Introduction to Religious Philosophy
5. याकुब मसीह : सामान्य धर्मदर्शन एवं दार्शनिक विश्लेषण
6. हरेन्द्र प्रसाद सिन्हा : धर्मदर्शन की रूपरेखा
7. वेद प्रकाश वर्मा : धर्मदर्शन की मूल समस्याएँ
8. डा. रमेन्द्र : धर्म-दर्शन : सामान्य एवं तुलनात्मक

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Paper - VIII

Modern/Symbolic Logic and Analysis

1. Traditional Logic and Symbolic Logic
2. Classification of Propositions : Traditional and Modern
3. Truth-Functional Compound Statements : Conjunction, Negation, Disjunction and Implication
4. Argument Forms and Truth Tables : Determination of their Validity and Invalidity with the help of Truth Tables
5. Statement Forms : Tautology, Contradiction and Contingencies
6. Material Equivalence and Logical Equivalence

Analysis :

1. Word Meaning : The relation of words to things, Rule of common usage, Different meanings of the word 'meaning'
2. Definition : Definition by equivalent words, Reportive and Stipulative Definition, Ostensive Definition
3. Criteria for Sentence - Meaning
4. Concepts and their Formation, Concept and Image

Suggested Readings

1. Irving M. Copi, Symbolic Logic, Chapter - I & II
2. John Hospers, An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis
3. अशोक कुमार वर्मा, प्रतीकात्मक तर्कशास्त्र
4. केदार नाथ तिवारी, प्रतीकात्मक तर्कशास्त्र
5. अशोक कुमार वर्मा, हास्पर्स द्वारा ज्ञान-मीमांसा के दार्शनिक विश्लेषण का एक अध्ययन

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