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M. A. 3rd Semester Examination, 2024

PHILOSOPHY

PAPER — PHI-303 (A & B)

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 hours

Answer **all** questions

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

PAPER — PHI-303(A)

(*Advaita Vedānta*)

GROUP – A

Answer **any two** from the following questions :

10 × 2

1. Explain briefly the arguments of the opponents of the Advaitins in favour of the impossibility of *Adhyāsa* (superimposition) after *Bhāmatī Tīkā*.

2. How does Vācaspati Miśra prove that the sentence *"ahamihaivāsmi sadane jānānaḥ"* (I am consciously here in the house) does not reveal the real nature of self ? Explain elaborately.

3. (*a*) Explain the different meanings of the term '*atha*' in the *Brahmasūtra*, *"athāto brahmajijñāsā"* after *Śāṁkarabhāṣya*.

   (*b*) Which meaning is accepted by Ācārya Śaṁkara and why ? Explain.

                                        6 + 4

4. Does the *Brahmasūtra*, *"janmādyasya yataḥ"* indicate the *taṭastha lakṣaṇa* or *svarūpa lakṣaṇa* or both *lakṣaṇas* of Brahman ? Explain.

GROUP – B

Answer any **four** questions from the following :

                                        5 × 4

5. What is the utility of *Adhyāsabhāṣya* ? Explain.

6. Explain the *lakṣaṇa* of *Adhyāsa* in the sense of *arthādhyāsa*.

7. Elucidate briefly the following : 2 + 8
   (a) *Śārīraka Bhāṣya*
   (b) *Catuḥsūtrī*

8. Distinguish between *dharmajijñāsā* and *brahmajijñāsā* following the commentary of *Śaṁkarācārya* on the *Brahmasūtra*, "*athāto brahmajijñāsā*".

9. Explain the meaning of the terms *janmādi*, *asya* and *yataḥ* in the *Brahmasūtra*, "*janmādyasya yataḥ*" after the *Śaṁkara-bhāṣya*.

10. How does Ācārya Śaṁkara prove that the scriptures are the valid source of the ‧ knowledge of Brahman ? Briefly explain after his commentary on the *Brahmasūtra*, "*śāstrayonitvāt*".

[**Internal Assessment — 10 Marks**]

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PAPER — PHI-303(B)

(*Advanced logic*)

GROUP – A

Answer any **two** questions from the following :

10×2

1. Prove the following in PM.

    (i) $\left(p \vee (q \vee r) \right) \supset \left((p \vee q) \vee r \right)$

    (ii) $(p \equiv q) \equiv (\sim p \equiv \sim q)$ $5 + 5$

2. (i) What is completeness ?

    (ii) Prove that PM system is weakly complete. $2 + 8$

3. Explain with example the *Reductio-Ad-Absurdum* method as a method of testing validity.

4. (i) What is impossibility ?

    (ii) Write the rule of Necessitation after system K.

(5)

(*iii*) Prove the following :

(*a*) $(Lp \vee Lq) \supset L(p \vee q)$

(*b*) $\vdash \alpha \equiv \beta \rightarrow \vdash L\alpha \equiv L\beta$ $\qquad$ 2 + 2 + 4 + 2

GROUP – B

Answer any **four** questions from the following :
5×4

5. (*i*) What is axiometic system ? $\qquad 2\frac{1}{2}+2\frac{1}{2}$

(*ii*) What is consistency in PM ?

6. Prove the following from the base. $\qquad$ 5

$\sim \sim p \supset p$

7. Do we need a further transformation rule licensing as to rewrite wffs according to the definition ? Explain. $\qquad$ 5

8. Write the definitions of system-K. $\qquad$ 5

9. Distinguish between modal and non-modal operator with suitable examples.   5

10. Prove K2 and DR1 from the base after system K.   3 + 2

[Internal Assessment — 10 Marks]