

B.A. (Honours) in Comparative Religion
Examination, 2023
Semester-III (CBCS) Skill Enhancing Compulsory Course Theory
SECC-1 (Methodology and Data Collection for the Study of Religion)

Answer any four questions

Time: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 25

1. What is sampling? Explain. 6.25
2. What are different methods of data collection? Discuss. 6.25
3. Explain the advantages of Questionnaire method in a research work on religion. 6.25
4. What do you mean by data in a research work? How are data analysed? 6.25
5. What is interview method of collecting data? Discuss its advantages. 6.25
6. What are the steps a researcher may adopt in conducting field work? Explain. 6.25

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SEMESTER-III
COMPARATIVE RELIGION
COURSE – CC-7: SIGNIFICANT RELIGIOUS THEMES PART-I)

TIME: 3 HOURS

FULL MARKS: 60

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer any four questions.

1. Discuss the attributes of God in monotheism, citing examples from at least three major religions. 15
2. How does gnosticism differ from other religious orientations? Explain with examples. 15
3. Give an account of the concept of *Jiva* in Jainism. 15
4. What are the various ways in which salvation is conceived in Hinduism? Discuss briefly. 15
5. Briefly explain how totemism conceives the relationship between human community and totemic species. 15
6. Write short notes on any two of the following: 7.5+7.5=15
 - a. Notion of soul in Christianity
 - b. Nirvana
 - c. Concept of God in Sikhism

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Semester – III (CBCS)

Comparative Religion

Course – CC-5: Buddhism: Origin and Development

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 60

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer any four questions.

1. Give an account of the socio-political situations that prevailed during the emergence of Buddhism? 15
2. Briefly explain the life and teachings of Gautama Buddha. 5+10
3. Discuss the canonical importance of the first four Councils of Buddhism. 15
4. Outline the contributions of Ashoka towards the consolidation and spread of Buddhism. 15
5. Discuss the differences between Theravada, Mahayana and Vajrayana traditions of Buddhism. 15
6. How does Navayana Buddhism reconstruct Buddha and his Dhamma? Elucidate. 15

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CC-6: Christianity: Origin and Development

Time: 3 hours

Marks: 60

Answer any Four Questions

Each Question is of value as indicated in the margin

1. Give an account of the religious practices and communities that existed during the time of Jesus. 15
2. Briefly describe the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. 15
3. What are the main Gospels in the Bible? Describe them briefly. 5+10=15
4. Who were the Apostles? Account for the spread of Christianity during the Apostolic period. 3+12=15
5. What is monasticism? Explain the four stages through which Christian monasticism was established? 3+12=15
6. Write short notes on any two of the following: 7.5+7.5=15
 - a. Parable
 - b. Resurrection
 - c. Ascension of Jesus
 - d. Christian Church