

**B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2023**  
**Philosophy (CBCS)**  
(For Repeat and Back Candidates Only)  
Semester-I

**CC-1: OUTLINES OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY (Part-1)**

**Time: Three Hours**

**Full Marks: 60**

*Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.*

Answer any four questions.

1. Briefly discuss the main features of Indian Philosophy. 15
2. Write a short essay on the *aṣṭāṅgika-mārga* of Buddhism. 15
3. Does Cārvāka reject the existence of *ātman*? Give reasons for your answer. 15
4. Explain the second noble truth of Buddhism. 15
5. Briefly discuss the bondage of soul as propounded by the Jainas. 15
6. Write short notes on any two of the following: 7½×2=15
  - (a) *nirvāṇa*
  - (b) Dependent origination
  - (c) *dravya*
  - (d) *syādvāda*



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Paper-CC-2

History of Western Philosophy (Part – I)

Time: 3 hours

Full Marks: 60

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer **any four** questions from the following

1. What is philosophy? State and explain the metaphysical ground of the Ionic School. (3+12)
2. Discuss Plato's theory of knowledge along with the Allegory of Cave. What are the different levels of knowledge according to Plato? (7+8)
3. State and explain Aristotle's criticism of Plato's theory of ideas. Discuss briefly the theory of causation after Aristotle. (7+8)
4. How does Descartes arrive at the principle 'I think, therefore I am'? Why did he think that this principle cannot be doubted further? (10+5)
5. Explain Spinoza's doctrine of 'Pantheism'. How does Spinoza reduce Substance, Attributes and Modes into a single framework? (8+7)
6. State and examine Descartes' proofs for the existence of God. (15)