Undergraduate Examination, 2025 Semester – IV (CBCS)

Generic Elective Course – GEC – 4 (for repeat and back candidates)

Paper: Philosophy and Social Life (Philosophy)

Time: 3 Hours Full Marks: 60

Questions are of equal value or as indicated in the margin

Answer any 4 questions

1.	Can there be an ethical discussion regarding our private lives?	15
2.	How does philosophy relate to real-world debates? Discuss after Baggini.	15
3.	Can public figures be publicly held accountable for any immoral act in their	15
	private life? Discuss.	
4.	Discuss the abductive method of reasoning in detail. What are the limitations of	10+
O AIR	this method?	
5.	What is required to retain an individual's personal identity? Explain after Baggini.	15
6.	How is philosophical scepticism different from ordinary scepticism? Discuss, by	
	elaborating on various concepts of 'proof,' whether the conclusive proof is	15
	required to accept something to be true.	

B. A. (Hons) Examination (CBCS) 2025 Semester – IV (Philosophy)

Paper: Ethics (Western)

Time: 3 Hours

Course - CC 08

Full Marks: 60

Questions are of equal value or as indicated in the margin

Answer any 4 questions

1.	Can an English sentence express a moral judgment if and only if it contains a	15
	value term? Discuss with examples.	
2.	Can Psychological Egoism and Kantian dictum together entail Egoism?	15
	Discuss.	
3.	State and examine G. E. Moore's and Kurt Baier's arguments against Egoism.	15
4.	Define the utility concept and discuss how can we formulate Mill's utilitarian	15
	view using that concept.	
5.	Write an essay on Kant's deontological ethics.	15
6.	Discuss the Doctrine of Swine's objection against Mill's Utilitarian doctrine	15
	and Mill's reply to the objection.	

B. A. (Honours) Examination 2025 (CBCS)

Subject: Philosophy Semester-IV

Paper: [CC-9] Textual Study: Nyāya Epistemology

Time: 3 Hours Marks: 60

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer any four questions.

- 1. Elucidate the *lakṣaṇa* of *buddhi* stated in Tarkasamgraha following Tarkasamgraha Dīpikā. Is the concept of *buddhi* in Nyāya and Sāmkhya equal in nature? Answer in brief. 10+5=15
- 2. Explain the concept of karana according to Annambhatta.

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- 3. Explain the *lakṣaṇa* of *pramā* stated in Tarkasamgraha. Is the *lakṣaṇa* flawless? Answer in brief. Distinguish between *nirvikalpaka* and *savikalpaka pratyakṣa*. 7+3+5=15
- Explain the notion of parāmarśa. Is parāmarśa a necessary condition for anumiti jñāna?
 Answer following Tarkasamgraha Dīpikā.
- Explain the laksana of vyāpti following Tarkasamgraha Dīpikā. How can vyāpti be ascertained according to Nyāya? Discuss.
- 6. Explain the different conditions of vākyārtha jñāna according to Annambhatta.

BA (Hons.) Sem-IV Examination, 2025 Subject: Philosophy

Paper / Course: CC-10 [Textual Study: Western (Part-II)]

(For repeaters and back candidates)

Time: 3 hours Full Marks: 60

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin. Answer any four questions.

1.	How do the appearances of an entity vary when it is perceived from different points of view? How does this fact imply the distinction between appearance and reality? Explain.	10+5 =15
2.	Present Russell's initial arguments to prove that our sense-data are signs of existence of physical objects. What is the weakness of these arguments?	10+5 =15
3.	Give an account of Russell's view on space with special reference to the distinction between private space and public space.	15
4.	Explain any two arguments against Berkeley's idealism advanced by Russell.	15
5.	What is a definite description? How do definite descriptions enable us to go beyond our knowledge by acquaintance? Discuss after Russell.	5+10 =15
6.	How can we justify the belief that the sun will rise tomorrow? Answer following Russell.	15

B.A. (Honours) in Philosophy

Examination, 2025

Semester-IV

Subjects/Papers: [SECC-2]

Indian Ethics

(For Regular and Back Candidates)

Time: 2 Hours Full Marks: 25

Questions are of equal value as indicated in the margin. Answer any four questions

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1.	What is artha karma? Discuss briefly the classification of artha karma.	6.25
2.	Elucidate the concept of niskāma karma following Gitā.	6.25
3.	Write a short note on the importance of the Varnāśram dharma of puruṣārtha	6.25
4.	What are the four noble truth in Buddhist Ethics? Explain in detail.	6.25
5.	State briefly the importance of aştāngika-mārga in Buddhism.	6.25
6.	Give a synoptic view on Pancaanuvrata in Jainism.	6.25