

SYLLABUS FOR T.D.C. GENERAL COURSE IN PHILOSOPHY
APROVED BY C.C.S. PHILOSOPHY IN ITS MEETING HELD ON 4.12.2009

NO. & NAME OF THE PAPER TOPICS (UNIT WISE) MARKS (UNITWISE)

First Year

FIRST SEMESTER

E101/102. LOGIC I

Full marks 75

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| i. Nature of Logic: Argument and Argument Form, Truth and Validity | 15 |
| ii. Development of symbolic logic, its Characteristics | 20 |
| iii. Logical Constants, Propositional Variables, Truth-function, Truth-table Method | 20 |
| iv. Proposition, Modern Classification of Propositions | 20 |

SECOND SEMESTER

E201/202. LOGIC II:

Full marks 75

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| i. Shorter Truth-table Method | 10 |
| ii. Formal Proof of Validity | 20 |
| iii. Quantification, Symbolization of Universal and Existential propositions | 25 |
| iv. Induction: Nature and kinds, grounds of induction | 20 |

Second Year

THIRD SEMESTER

E304/ 305. GENERAL PHILOSOPHY I

Full marks 100

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| i. Nature & Scope of Philosophy | 20 |
| ii. Theories of knowledge: Rationalism, Empiricism. Kant's Critical theory | 30 |
| iii. Realism – Naïve and Scientific | 25 |
| iv. Idealism – Subjective (Berkeley), Objective (Hegel) | 25 |

FOURTH SEMESTER

E404/405. INDIAN PHILOSOPHY I

Full marks 100

i. The Astika-Nastika dichotomy in Indian Philosophy, the Upanisadic Philosophy	25
ii. Carvaka: Theory of Knowledge, Materialism	25
iii. Jainism: Syadvada and Anekantavada	20
iv. Buddhism: Four Noble Truths, Pratitya Samutpada, Anatmavada, Nirvana	30

Third Year

FIFTH SEMESTER

E503/506. GENERAL PHILOSOPHY II

Full marks 100

i. Theories of Truth: Correspondence, Coherence, Pragmatic	30
ii. Substance, Causality, Space and Time	30
iii. Freedom and Determinism	20
iv. Logical Positivism: general characteristics	10
v. Existentialism: General Characteristics	10

E. 504/507. INDIAN PHILOSOPHY II

Full marks 100

i. Nyaya: Perception and Inference	20
ii. Vaishesika: Categories of Dravya and Abhava	20
iii. Sankhya: Prakriti, Purusha, Evolution	25
iv. Yoga: Psychology	10
v. Samkara: Brahman, Maya, Ramanuja's Criticism of Maya	25

SIXTH SEMESTER

E603/606. ETHICS I

Full marks 100

i. Morality and Moral Philosophy	20
ii. Fact and Value	20
iii. Kant's Categorical Imperative	20
iv. Teleological Theories: Hedonism and Utilitarianism	20
v. Niskama Karma of the Gita	20

E.604/607. PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

Full marks 100

i. Nature and Scope of Philosophy of Religion	20
ii. Religion, Philosophy and Science	20
iii. Origin of Religion: anthropological and philosophical theories	30
iv. Arguments for the existence of God	30

BOOKS RECOMMENDED

LOGIC: (Paper E101/102 & E201/202)

1. *Introduction to Logic*: I. M. Copi, Carl Cohen
2. *Symbolic Logic*: I.M. Copi
3. *Introduction to Logic*: P. Suppes

For Reference:

1. *Introduction to Symbolic Logic*: Basson & Connor
2. *Logic: Informal, Symbolic and Inductive*: Chhanda Chakrabarti

GENERAL PHILOSOPHY: (Paper E304/ 305. & E503/506)

1. *Introduction to Philosophy*: J.N.Sinha
2. *An Introduction to Philosophy*: S.P.Chakrabarti

For Reference:

1. *Problems of Philosophy*: Bertrand Russell (OUP)
2. *What Philosophy Is*: Anthony O'Hear (Penguin)
3. *Philosophy: A Guide Through the Subject*: (ed.) A.C.Grayling (OUP)
4. *Language, Truth and Logic*: A. J. Ayer (Penguin)

INDIAN PHILOSOPHY: (Paper E404/405 & E. 504/507)

1. *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*: Dutta and Chatterjee
2. *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*: M.Hiriyana
3. *Indian Philosophy – A Popular Introduction*: D. P. Chattopadhyaya (For Carvaka System)
4. *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*: C. D. Sarma
5. *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*: J. N.Sinha

For Reference:

1. *Indian Philosophy* (in two volumes): S. Radhakrishnan
2. *A History of Indian Philosophy*: S. N. Dasgupta

ETHICS: (Paper E603/606)

1. *Ethics*: W. K. C. Frankenna

2. Introduction to Ethics: William Lillie
3. Problems of Analytical Ethics: D. K. Chakravarty
4. Ethics Since 1900: Mary Warnock
5. Manual of Ethics: J. N. Sinha
6. Concepts of Indian Philosophy: Saraswati Chennakeshavan
7. Contemporary Indian Ethics: Nilima Tandon
8. Ethics of the Hindus: S. K. Maitra

PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION: (Paper E.604/607)

1. Introduction to Religious Philosophy: Y. Masih
2. Philosophy of Religion: John Hick
3. Philosophy of Religion: D. M. Edward
4. Classical and Contemporary Readings in Philosophy of Religion: John Hick

For Reference

1. Reason and Religious Belief: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion: Petersen and others (OUP)