

2017/SEM/EVEN/PHIP-201/046

TDC Even Semester Exam, 2017

PHILOSOPHY

(Pass)

(2nd Semester)

Course No. : PHIP-201



(Epistemology and Metaphysics : Western)

Full Marks : 50

Pass Marks : 17

Time : 2 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

Answer **five** questions, taking **one**
from each Unit

UNIT—I

1. (a) What is the status of external world according to Plato? Is Plato a rationalist? 1+1=2
- (b) Explain Plato's theory of ideas. 8

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2. (a) What are the realities according to Aristotle?
(b) Explain Aristotle's theory of reality.

UNIT—II

3. (a) What is empiricism? Name two empiricist philosophers. 2+2=4

(b) Explain empiricism as a theory of the origin of knowledge.

4. (a) How does Kant criticise rationalism and empiricism?

(b) Explain Kant's critical theory of knowledge.

UNIT—III

5. (a) What is realism? What are its different types? 2+2=4

(b) Give a brief sketch of Locke's theory of representationalism.

6. (a) What is idealism? What are its different kinds? 2+2=4

(b) Explain briefly the subjective idealism of Berkeley.

UNIT—IV

7. (a) How many causes are recognized by Aristotle? Name them. $1+2=3$
- (b) Explain Aristotle's theory of causation. 7
8. (a) What does Hume mean by necessary connection? 2
- (b) Explain briefly Hume's theory of causation. How does Kant refute Hume's view? $6+2=8$

UNIT—V

9. (a) What are the different kinds of substances admitted by Descartes? Are mind and body two distinct entities according to Descartes? $2+1=3$
- (b) Explain interactionism as a theory of mind-body relation. Is it a satisfactory theory? $5+2=7$
10. (a) Who advocated parallelism? Are mind and body independent substances according to parallelism? $1+1=2$
- (b) Critically examine parallelism as a theory of mind-body relation. 8
