

TDC Even Semester Exam., 2018

PHILOSOPHY

( Pass )

( 4th Semester )

Course No. : PHIP-401

( Ethics—II )

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 literal meaning of the term 'Puruṣārtha'? Name the Trivarga Scheme of Puruṣārthas. 1+3=4
- (b) Explain 'Puruṣārtha' as a moral ideal in Hindu ethics. 6
- (a) Explain the significance of the concept of Dharma in Hindu ethics. 3
- (b) Write a brief essay on Varṇāśrama Dharma. 7

(2) UNIT—II

3. (a) What is Svadharma?  
(b) Explain the significance of Svadharma in the context of the ethics of Gītā.

4. (a) What is the meaning of Nişkāma Karma? Does it signify inactivity?  
(b) Explain the ethical theory of Nişkāma Karma of the Bhagavad-Gītā.

UNIT—III

5. (a) What are the Triratnas or Three Jewels of Jainism?

(b) Give a brief outline of Jaina ethics.

6. (a) What are the Four Noble Truths of Buddhism?

(b) Give a brief outline of Buddhist ethics.

UNIT—IV

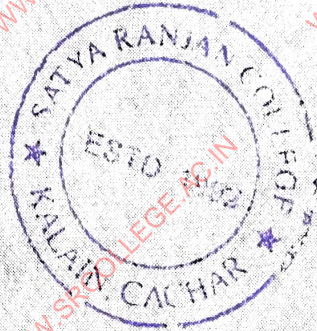
7. (a) What is punishment? What are the different theories of punishment?

(b) Examine critically the Retributive theory of punishment.

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- (a) What is capital punishment? 3
- (b) Do you think that capital punishment minimises crime in the society? Give reasons. 7

UNIT—V



- (a) Write a short note on Anthropocentrism. 4
- (b) What are the limitations of anthropocentric approach in Ethics? Explain. 6
- (a) What is Animal ethics? 4
- (b) How can you defend the rights of animals? Discuss with reference to the standard arguments developed by the ethicists in this regard. 2+4=6

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