

**MAHARSHI DAYANAND SARASWATI UNIVERSITY, AJMER**

**M.A. PHILOSOPHY**

### SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

Each Theory paper	3 Hrs. duration	100 Marks
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Dissertation/Thesis/Survey Report/Field work. if any	100 Marks
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1. The number of paper and the maximum marks for each paper practical shall be shown in the syllabus for the subject concerned. It will be necessary for, a candidate to pass in the theory part as well as in the practice at part (wherever prescribed) of a subject/Paper separately.
2. A candidate for a pass at each of the previous and the Final Examination shall be required to obtain (i) at least 36% marks in the aggregate of all the paper prescribed for the examination and (ii) at least 36% marks in practical (s) wherever prescribed the examination, provided that if a candidate fails to secure at least 25% marks in each individual paper-work, wherever prescribed, he shall be deemed to have failed at the examination not with standing his having obtained the minimum percentage of marks required in the aggregate for that examination. No division will be awarded at the previous Examination; Division shall be awarded at the end of the Final Examination on the combined marks obtained at the previous and the Final Examination taken together, as noted below:

First Division 60% of the aggregate marks taken together

Second Division 48% of the Previous Final Examination.

All the rest will be declared to have passed the examinations.

3. If the candidate clears any paper(s) Practical(s)/ Dissertation Prescribed at the Previous and/or final examination after continuous period of three years, then for the purpose of working out his division the minimum pass marks only viz 25% (36% in the case of practical) shall be taken into account in respect of such paper(s) Practical(s) Dissertation are cleared after the expiry of the aforesaid period of three year, provided that in case where a candidate require more than 25% marks in order to reach the minimum aggregate as many marks out of those actually secured by him will be taken into account as would enable him to make the deficiency in the requisite minimum aggregate.
4. The Thesis/Dissertation! Survey Report! Field Work shall be typed & written tad submitted in triplicate so as to reach the office of the Registrar at least 3 weeks before the commencement of the theory examination only such candidates shall be permitted to offer dissertation/ Fields work/ Survey Report/ Thesis (if provided in the scheme of examination) in lieu of a paper as have secured at least 55% marks in the aggregate.

gate of all scheme, irrespective of the no. of papers in which a candidate actually appeared at the examination.

**N.B.** (i) Non- Collegiate candidates are not eligible to offer dissertation as per provision of 170-A.

### **M.A. Previous**

Paper I – Indian Philosophy

Paper II – History of western Philosophy

Paper III – Logic - Indian & Western

Paper IV – Ethics - Indian & Western

### **M.A. Final**

Paper V – Approaches of Western Philosophy (compulsory)

Optional Paper VI, VII, VIII : The candidate will be required to select three optional papers out of the following list of papers :

(1) Advait vedant and It's comparative study with vaishnav vedant

(2) Philosophy of religion (3) Gandhian Philosophy

(4) Advance Ethics (5) Jainism

(6) Buddhism (7) Philosophy of History

(8) Philosophy of Language – Indian (9) Hermeneutics

Paper IX – A Political Philosophy

Or IX – B Problems of Philosophy : A course on applied philosophy

### **M.A. Previous Philosophy**

#### **Paper I – Indian Philosophy**

#### **(Metaphysical and Epistemological problems)**

3 hrs Duration 100 Marks

**Note :-** This paper is divided into three independent units. The question paper will be divided into three parts: Part-A, Part-B and Part-C.

Part-A is compulsory. It has 10 questions atleast 3 questions from each unit. Each question is of 3 marks and its word limit is of 50 words. (Total 30 marks) Part-B contains 5 question. All questions are compulsory. Every question carries 5 marks and the word limit of each question is of 100 words. (Total 25 marks) Part-C contains three questions with one internal choice. Every question has 15 marks and the word limit of each question is of 400 words (Total- 45 Marks) There would be one question from each unit in Part-C

#### **UNIT-I**

Problem of Reality, Problem of Meaning, Problem of universal.

#### **UNIT-II**

Problem of Self, Moksha and its relations to action, The problem of causality.

### UNIT-III

Nature of knowledge. Nature of Prama & Aprama. Paramanyavada.

#### Details of Problems :

##### 1. Problem of Reality :

- 1) The criteria to distinguish between the real and the unreal.
- 2) Theory of reality according to :
  - a) Charvaka
  - b) Sankhya-Yoga-Purush, Prakriti and their relationship, the nature of creation.
  - c) Nyaya, Vaishesika - Seven categories.
  - d) Jainism – Nature and kind of Dravya
  - e) Buddhism : Kshanikvad, Pratityasamutpad
- 1) Vijnanavada – Vasubandhu
- 2) Sunyavada – Nagarjuna.
- f) Samkara – Brahman, Maya, Jiva Jagat.
- g) Ramanuja – Brahman Jagat, Jiva.

##### 2. Causation :

- 1) The problem of Causation.
- 2) Nature of cause and its different kinds
- 3) Explanation and critical estimate of the positions of Nyaya, Buddhism, Sankhya and Samkara.

##### 3. Problem of Self

- 1) Nature of the problem
- 2) Proofs for the existence of the self and their evaluation :
  - a) Responsibility argument.
  - b) Personal identity argument.
  - c) Substratum argument.
  - d) Moral argument.
  - e) Presuppositional argument.
- 3) Self :
  - a) One or many.
  - b) Atomic, all pervasive and dimensional.
  - c) As knower, enjoyer, doer.
  - d) Empirical and transcendental self.

##### 4. Moksha and its relation to action

- 1) The problem.
- 2) The nature and cause of bondage.
- 3) Moksha as summum bonum, hierarchy of values and its criteria.
- 4) Nature of Moksha according to Nyaya, Vaishesika. Samkhya, Yoga, Jainism, Buddhism, Samkara, Ramanuja

- 5) Path of Moksha according to above and the Janana – Karma controversy.
- 6) Doctrine of Karma and its relevance to the problem of liberation

**5. The problem of meaning :**

- 1) Nyaya and Mimansa theory of the meaning of a word – universal or particular or both.
- 2) Meaning – Natural, conventional or Divine.
- 3) Anvitabhidhauvada and Abhinitanvayavada

**6. The Problem of Universal**

- 1) Ontological status of the universal, Nyaya, Jainism, Buddhism.
- 2) Knowledge of the universal.
- 3) Apoha theory of the Buddhism.

**7. Prama and Aprama:**

- 1) The nature of the problem.
- 2) Definition and criteria of parma according to Mimansa, Nayaya, Buddhism and Advaita – Vedanta.
- 3) Kinds of Aprama
- 4) Theories of error.

**8. Pramanyavada :**

The theories of Nyaya and Mimansa

**9. Nature of knowledge :**

- 1) Knowledge as quality of the self : Nyaya, Jainism and Ramanuja.
- 2) Knowledge as the activity of the self : Kumarila Mimamsa.
- 3) Samkara : Theory of knowledge as pure consciousness.
- 4) Nature and status of knowledge according to Buddhism.
- 5) The Empirical and the transcendental knowledge.

**Recommended Books :**

1. Madhabacharya : Sarva Darshan Sangrah. Chowkhamba Vidya Bhawan Varanasi. 1964
2. S. Radhakrishnan : Indian Philosophy Vol-1,2
3. D.M. Datta : Six ways of knowing
4. G. P. Bhatta : Epistemology of Bhatta School of Purva Mimamsa.
5. K.D. Bhattacharya : Recent Indian Philosophy
6. K. H. Potter : Presuppositions of Indian Philosophies
7. M. Hiriyanna : Indian Philosophical Studies
8. M. Hiriyanna : Outlines of Indian Philosophy
9. Ninian Smart : Doctrine and arguments in Indian Philosophy
10. R.C. Pandey : The problem of meaning in Indian Philosophy
11. R. C. Chatterji : Nyaya theory of knowledge.

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| 12. S. K. Kunhan Raja          | : Fundamental problems of Indian Philosophy                                 |
| 13. Nand Kishor Sharma         | : भारतीय दार्शनिक समस्याएँ<br>(राजस्थान हिन्दी ग्रन्थ अकादमी, जयपुर )       |
| 14. महेश भारतीय                | : भारतीय दार्शनिक समस्याएँ<br>प्रकाशन—इण्डोविजन प्राइवेट लिमिटेड, गाजियाबाद |
| 15. R.R. Dravid                | : Problem of Universal in Indian Philosophy                                 |
| 16. Mahesh Chandra Bhartiya    | : Causation in Indian Philosophy  |
| 17 <sup>ण</sup> अशोक कुमार लाड | : भारतीय दर्शन में मोक्ष की अवधारणा   |

### **Paper II – History of Western Philosophy**

3 hrs Duration

100 Marks

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#### **UNIT-I**

Plato, Aristotle, Descartes, Spinoza

#### **UNIT-II**

Leibnitz, Locke, Berkeley, Hume.

#### **UNIT-III**

Kant, Hegel, Schopenhauer, Nietzsche.

#### **Books Recommended :**

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| 1. D.J.O. Connor (Ed.) | : A Critical history of western philosophy |
| 2. F. Copleston S. J.  | : A History of Philosophy                  |
| 3. Frank Thilly        | : A History of Philosophy                  |
| 4. W.T. Stace          | : A critical History of Greek Philosophy   |
| 5. Daya Krishna (Ed.)  | : Paschatya Darshan Vol. I & II            |
| 6. Paul Edward         | : Encyclopedia of Philosophy               |

### **Paper III – Logic- Indian and Western**

3 hrs Duration

100 Marks

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#### UNIT-I

1. Definition and constituents of anumana in old Nyaya, Navya Nyaya, Buddhism and Jainism.
2. Process and types of Anumana in Nyaya, Buddhist and Jain Philosophy.
3. Definition of hetu according to Nyaya, Buddhism and Jainism. Types of Hetvabhasa.
4. Definition of Vyapti and the method ascertainment of vyapti relation in Indian logic.

#### **Books Recommended :**

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| 1. Dharmakirti         | : | Nyaya Bindu (धर्म कीर्ति) |
| 2. Anantvirya          | : | Prameya Ratnamalu         |
| 3. Mahindra Kumar Jain | : | Jain Darshan              |
| 4. Kishav Misra        | : | Tarkabhara                |

#### UNIT-II

Chapter 1, 2, 3

#### UNIT-III

Chapter 4, 9, 10

#### **Book Prescribed for unit II & III**

P. Suppes - Introduction to logic (Patrick Suppes)

**Note :** At least 1/3 of the questions shall be practical to test the students in the symbolization and working out proofs in unit II & III

#### **Paper IV – Ethics Indian and Western**

3 hrs Duration

100 Marks

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#### **UNIT-I : Indian Ethics**

1. Prescription of Indian Ethics and its psychological-, social and spiritual aspects.
2. “Sanyasa and Karmayoga” (Chapter II, text “Geeta Rahasya” by Balgangadhar Tilak)
3. “Dharma - Vishva ke dharak evam Niyamak tattva ke rupe main” (Chapter II 7.2.1 text “Bhartiya Nitimimansa” (Ed.) Dr. Rajveer Singh, Dimple Prakashan, Jaipur)
4. Inculcating a general dharma, Forgiveness or moral command. wronging, reprimanding and rejoining social relationship. (Chapter 7, text “Varnadharma Nishkam Karma and Practical morality”)

#### **UNIT-II : Western Ethics**

Butler, Hume, Kant, Sidgwick

##### ***Prescribed Book :***

Broad C.D. : Five types of Ethical Theories

#### **UNIT-III : Metaethics**

Content of Morals, Prescriptivism, Intuitionism, Naturalism.

##### ***Prescribed Book :***

Warnock : Contemporary Moral philosophy.

##### **Reference Books :**

- (1) भारतीय नीतिशास्त्र : डॉ. दिवाकर पाठक बिहार हिन्दी ग्रन्थ अकादमी
  - (2) नीतिशास्त्र : सिद्धान्त और व्यवहार : नित्यानन्द मिश्र, मोतीलाल बनारसीदास
  - (3) A conceptualanalytic study of classical indian philosophy of morals. (PHISPC Vol. -XII, Part.I), Rajendra Prasad pub-centre for studies in civilization, human resource ministry, Government of India.
- Printed by concept publishing company Delhi.

