

PGCSS
M.G University Model Question Paper
Sanskrit Language and Literature-General

PE V

Time:3hrs

Wt:30

Text: (a) A History of Indian Philosophy

Instructions: Answer any 5 Qns from Part A, five from Part B and 3 from Part C. 4 points shall be awarded for grade A , 3 for B ,2 for C, 1 for D and 0 for E.

Answer may be written either in Sanskrit or in English. In writing Sanskrit ,Devanagari script should be used

PART-A

I. Answer any five in Paragraphs not exceeding one page

1. Distinguish Tanmatras and Paramanus in Nyaya-Vaisesika Philosophy ?
2. What are the general characteristics of the Jains ?
3. Explain the meaning of the term “ Yoga “ ?
4. What is meant by Negation in Nyaya-Vaisesika ?
5. In what sense is a History of Indian philosophy possible ?.
6. The definition Ajnana.
7. What is Mimamsa?
8. The main idea of the vedanta philosophy. wt 1x 5 = 5

PART – B

II. Write Short essays on any five

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| 9. Gunas in Samkhya Philosophy | 13. The psychology of Illusion |
| 10. Nyaya-Vaisesika Physics . | 14. Two different streams of thought in Indian philosophy |
| 11. Carvaka way of life. | 15. In what sense is the world appearance false ? |
| 12. Early schools of Samkhya. | 16. The doctrines of Mimamsa |
- wt 5x2=10

PART- C

III. Write Essays on any three

17. Yoga Purificatory Practices (Parikarma).
18. Budha and his life.
19. The Canonical and other Literature of the Jains.
20. Concept of Moksa in Indian philosophy .
21. Mimamsa as philosophy and mimamsa as Ritualism . Explain?
22. The pramana of Non -perception wt 5x3=15

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MAHATHMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY RESTRUCTURED SYLLABUS

M.A Programme Sanskrit Language and Literature General Elective – V- HISTORY OF DARSANAS

PE –V

Credit 4

Contact Hrs 90

Aim of course

To Impart general awareness about Sad Darsanas

To familiarize the students with the different streams of Bharatiya Darsanas

Objectives of course

- 1.To create basic knowledge about the history of the Indian Philosophy.
2. To familiarize the students with the main propounders of Sad Darsanas.
- 3.To make the students aware of the main Principles and concepts in the Indian Philosophy.
4. To make the students aware of the important works in the Indian Philosophy.

Course Outline

Module I

A general introduction to ancient systems of Indian Philosophy – two different streams of thoughts – Astika and Nastika (Orthodox and heterodox), Main Propounders and works.General observations on the systems of Indian Philosophy.

Module II

Introduction to Samkhya and Yoga Philosophy, An Early School of Sâmkhya, The Gunas, The Tanmâtras and the Paramâñus, Principle of Causation and Conservation of Energy, Change as the formation of new collocations, Sâmkhya Atheism and Yoga Theism, Buddhi and Purusa, The Cognitive Process and some characteristics of Citta, Sorrow and its Dissolution, Yoga Purificatory Practices (Parikarma), The Yoga Meditation.

Module III

Philosophy of Nyâya utras and Vais'esika sutras, The Vais'esika and Nyâya Literature, The main doctrine of the Nyâya-Vais'esika Philosophy, The Nyâya-Vais'esika Physics, Negation in Nyâya-Vais'esika.

Module IV

The Mīmāṃsā Literature- Purva and Uttara Mimamsa, The Nature of Knowledge, Self, Salvation, and God, Mīmāṃsā as Philosophy and Mimāṃsā as Ritualism.

Module V

Budhism, Buddha: his Life, Early Buddhist Literature, , Upanisads and Buddhism, Jainism, The Origin of Jainism, Two Sects of Jainism, The Canonical and other Literature of the Jains, Some General Characteristics of the Jains, Life of Mahāvīra, The Fundamental Ideas of Jaina Ontology, The Charvaka way of life, Metaphysics in Charvaka philosophy.

Essential Reading

1. A History Of Indian Philosophy : S.N. DAS GUPTA Vol.I Cambridge, 1922

Additional Reading

1. Outlines of Indian Philosophy J.N Sinha

2. Essentials of Indian Philosophy M.Hiriyanna

Scheme of Examination

	Module I	Module II	Module III	Module IV	Module V
Part A	2	2	1	2	1
Part B	1	2	1	3	1
Part C	1	1	nil	2	2

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	Type of Questions	Weight	No of Questions to be answered
Part A	.1-8 Short answer Qns (not more than one page) 2Qns from module I 2 Qns from moduleII 1 Qn from module III 2Qns from moduleIV 1 Qn from module V	1	5*1=5
Part B	9-16 Short EssayQns(not mor than Two pages) 1Qn from moduleI 2 Qns from module II 1 Qn from module III 3 Qns from module IV 1 qn from module V	2	5*2=10
Part c	17-22 Essay Qns 1from moduleI 1 from moduleII Nil from module III 2 qns from module IV 2 qns from moduleV	5	5*3=15

