B.A DEGREE (CBCS) PRIVATE (REGULAR/ IMPROVEMENT/REAPPEARANCE/MERCY CHANCE) EXAMINATION,MARCH 2025

First Semester

B.A Philosophy

Core Course - PL1CRT01 - INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHICAL METHODS

2017 Admission Onwards

Time: 3 Hours   Max. Marks : 80

Instructions to private candidates only: This question paper contains two sections. Answer **Section I** questions in the answer book provided. **Section II** internal examination questions must be answered in the question paper itself. Follow the detailed instruction under **Section II.**

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SECTION I

Part A

*Answer any **ten** questions.*

*Each question carries **2** marks.*

1. Give the etymological definition of Epistemology

2. What is the role of Metaphysics in Philosophy?

3. What is formal logic?

4. Define Skepticism

5. .Define Pramana

6. Examine the types of perception.

7. Define Pluralism. Name two pluralist thinkers.

8. State the main concepts of Greek Atomism.

9. Name two pragmatist thinkers.

10. Name the four important methods of philosophy.

11. Explain Fantastical learning.

12. With example examine the process of Exclusion.

(10×2=20)

Part B

*Answer any **six** questions.*

*Each question carries **5** marks.*

13. Philosophy is different from other sciences. Explain

14. Explain Aesthetics as a normative Science

15. Critically evaluate the Empericism of Locke, Berkeley and Hume.

16. .Discuss Nyaya account of Upamana.

17. Explain with example Arthapathi as a valid Pramana.

18. Explain Metaphysics and its branches.

19. Examine the Main tenets of Materialism.

20. Assess the purpose of the Method of doubt .

21. Explain Francis Bacon's cocept on the Idols of the Mind.

(6×5=30)

Part C

*Answer any **two** questions.*
*Each question carries **15** marks.*

22. Write an essay on the different fields of Philosophy

23. . Explain the role of Inference as a valid Pramana.

24. Examine the development of Positivism and its role as a philosophy based on scientific experience.

25. Examine Socratic Method and it's main characteristics.

(2×15=30)