

5/PHI-301 Syllabus-2023

2025

(Nov-Dec)

FYUP : 5th Semester Examination

MAJOR

PHILOSOPHY

(Existentialism)

PHI-301

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

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

Answer any five questions

- 1. What do you understand by the 'existentialist style of philosophizing'? Bring out its salient features. 3+12=15**
- 2. Bring out the implications of the view 'existence precedes essence'. Do you agree with this view? 12+3=15**

26D/739

(Turn Over)

(2)

3. Examine the relationship between Existentialism and Humanism. 15
4. Is existentialism considered to be a revolutionary movement in the history of philosophical thought? Give reasons for your answer. 15
5. What are the three stages of life? Briefly discuss how an individual moves from one stage to the other according to Soren Kierkegaard. $3+12=15$
6. Bring out the difference between objectivity and subjectivity in truth. Why do you think Kierkegaard holds that 'truth is subjectivity'? $5+10=15$
7. Examine the idea of 'Dasein' in Heidegger's philosophy. 15
8. What is bad faith? How is it different from falsehood? Discuss the idea of bad faith according to Jean-Paul Sartre. $2+3+10=15$
9. Critically examine what Sartre understands by authenticity in existence. How is it different from inauthentic existence? $12+3=15$

(3)

10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 7½×2=15

- (a) Being-in-the-world (Heidegger)
- (b) Dread (Kierkegaard)
- (c) Being-in-itself and Being-for-itself (Sartre)
- (d) Theistic and Atheistic Existentialism
