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(October)

PHILOSOPHY

(Honours)

(History of Modern Western Philosophy)

(PHIL : 51)

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

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

Answer *any* **five** questions

1. How does Descartes arrive at *cogito ergo sum*? Is it an inference? Discuss. 10+5=15

2. Why did Spinoza refute mind and body as separate substances outside of God? Does his theory of substance lead to pantheism? 5+10=15

3. State and examine monads as souls or minds. Elucidate Leibniz's hierarchy of monads. 5+10=15

(Turn Over)

4. Examine Locke's distinction between primary and secondary qualities. Is this distinction justified? 10+5=15

5. Why did Hume reject metaphysics? Is he advocating skepticism? 10+5=15

6. Is Berkeley a solipsist? Explain with reference to his doctrine of *esse est percipi*. 15

7. Explain and examine Kant's transcendental deduction of categories. 15

8. Explain and examine the Absolute Idealism of Hegel. 15

9. Is there any necessary connection between cause and effect according to Hume? If not, can there be any progress in scientific enquiries? 12+3=15

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

(a) Mind-body interaction (Descartes)

(b) Pre-established harmony (Leibniz)

(c) Simple and complex ideas (Locke)

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Answer *any* **five** questions

1. Define religion. Is philosophy of religion a branch of philosophy? Explain the relation between religion and science. 3+2+10=15

2. What do you mean by faith? Are matters of faith drastically opposite to reason/rationality? Explain critically the distinction between reason and faith. 5+2+8=15

(Turn Over)

3. What is mystic experience? Is mysticism a ground for proving devise existence? Discuss.   5+10=15

4. Is it necessary to have God's existence? Briefly examine the theories related to proofs for God's existence.   2+13=15

5. Can we call the Christian concept of God as monotheistic? Is it different from the Hindu concept of God (Isvara)? Justify your answer.   7½+7½=15

6. Explain the concept of suffering and liberation in Hinduism and Buddhism. Is suffering a necessary criterion for liberation? Justify your answer.   10+5=15

7. What do you mean by religious tolerance? Explain the significance of religious tolerance in contemporary world.   5+10=15

8. What is secularism? Explain and examine the issues related to secularism. Should we practice secularism?   3+10+2=15

9. What is conversion? Is religious conversion necessary? Give reasons in support of your answer.   3+2+10=15

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

     (a) Distinction between theology and religion

     (b) Idea of God in any tribal religion of India

     (c) Forms of revelation

     (d) Suffering in Jainism

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