# **VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY**



# **Curriculum for 3-year B.A (Honours)**

# **Philosophy**

Revised Syllabus under CBCS (w. e. f. 2022-2023)

Vidyasagar University Midnapore 721102 West Bengal

# Vidyasagar University

Curriculum for B.A (Honours) in Philosophy [Revised Syllabus w.e.f. 2022-23]

# **SEMESTER-I**

# Course Structure

Course	Course	Name of the Subjects	Course	Teaching			Credit	Marks
	Code		Type/	Scheme in				
			Nature	hour	hour per week			
				L	T	P		
CC1		C1T: Indian	Core Course-1	5	1	0	6	75
		Philosophy-I						
CC2		C2T: History of	Core Course-2	5	1	0	6	75
		Western Philosophy -I						
GE1		TBD	Generic	5-1-0/4-0-4			6	75
		(from other Discipline)	Elective-1					
AECC		English	AECC	1	1	0	2	50
		_	(Elective)					
		Semester Total					20	275

 $L{=} Lecture, \ T{=}Tutorial, \ P{=}Practical, \ CC{-}\ Core\ Course, \ TBD\ -\ To\ be\ decided, \ AECC{-}\ Ability\ Enhancement\ Compulsory\ Course$ 

**Generic Elective (GE) (Interdisciplinary**) from other Department [Paper will be of 6 credits]

# **Semester-I**

## **Core Course (CC)**

CC-1: Indian Philosophy – I Credit 06

C1T: Indian Philosophy – I Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- A. Introduction: The Vedas and the Upanishads, Āstika and Nāstika Schools.
- B. Cārvāka System Epistemology, Metaphysics, Ethics.
- C. Jaina System Basic concepts of Jaina Philosophy, Anekāntavāda, Syādvāda and Saptabhaṅginaya.
- D. Bauddha System: Four Noble Truths, Theory of Dependent Origination (Pratītyasamutpāda vāda), Definition of Reality (Arthakriyākāritva), Doctrine of Momentariness, (Kṣanabhangavāda), Theory of no-soul (Nairātmyavāda), Four Schools of Buddhism (Basic tenets).
- E. Nyāya System: Pramā and Aprama, Different kinds of Pramāṇa, Pratyakṣa (Definition), Sannikarṣa, Classification of Pratyakṣa : Nirvikalpaka, Savikalpaka, Laukika, Alaukika
- F. Anumāna (Definition), vyāpti, parāmarśa, Classification of Anumāna: pūrvavat, śesavat, smānyatodṛsta, kevalānvayī, kevalavyātirekī, anvayavyātirekī, svārthānumāna, parārthānumāna, Upamāna (definition), Śabda (definition),
- G. Vaiśeṣika System: Seven Padārthas, dravya, guṇa, karma, sāmānya, viśeṣa, samavāya, abhāva, Atomism.

## **Suggested Readings:**

# **English:**

- 1. Outlines of Indian Philosophy: M. Hiriyanna
- 2. A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy: C.D. Sharma
- 3. An Introduction to Indian Philosophy: D. M. Dutta & S.C. Chatterjee
- 4. Classical Indian Philosophy: J.N. Mohanty
- 5. History of Indian Philosophy: S.N. Dasgupta
- 6. Indian Philosophy (Vol. I & II): S. Radhakrishnan
- 7. Indian Philosophy (Vol. I & II): J.N. Sinha
- 8. Studies on the Carvaka/Lokayata: Ramakrishna Bhattacharya
- 9. The Central Philosophy of Buddhism: T.R.V. Murti
- 10. Yogacara Idealism: A.K.Chatterjee
- 11. An Introduction to Maddhyamika Philosophy: Jaydev Singh
- 12. Reflections on Indian Philosophy: K.P. Sinha

- 13. Philosophy of Jainism: K.P. Sinha
- 14. Nyaya Theory of Knowledge: S.C. Chatterjee
- 15. Six Ways of Knowing: D.M. Dutta
- 16. Nyaya-Vaisesika Metaphysics: Sadananda Bhaduri
- 17. The Doctrine of Maya: A.K. Roychoudhuri
- 18. Self and Falsity in Advaita Vedanta: A.K. Roychoudhuri
- 19. The Word and the world: Bimal Krishna Matilal
- 20. Logic, Language and Reality: Bimal Krishna Matilal

- 21. Bharatiya Darshan: Debabrata Sen
- 22. Bharatiya Darshan: Nirodbaran Chakraborty
- 23. Sayan Madhaviya Sarva Darshan Samgraha: Satyajyoti Chakraborti
- 24. Lokayata Darshan: Debiprasad Chatoopadhyay
- 25. Carvakacarca: Ramakrisna Bhattacharya
- 26. Carvaka Darshan: Panchanan Sastri
- 27. Carvaka Darshan: Amit Kumar Bhattacharya
- 28. Bauddha Dharma O Darshan: Swami Vidyaranya
- 29. Bauddha Darshan: Panchanan Sastri
- 30. Gautama Buddher Darshan o Dharma: Sukomol Choudhury
- 31. Bauddha Darshan: Amit Kumar Bhattacharya
- 32. Ksanabhangavada: Bidhubhusan Bhattacharya
- 33. Jainadarshaner Digdarshan: Satindra Chandra Bhattacharya
- 34. Nyaya Darshan: Phanibhushan Tarkavagisha
- 35. Nyaya Paricaya: Phanibhushan Tarkavagisha
- 36. Nyaya-Vaisesika Darshan: Karuna Bhattacharya
- 37. Nyaya Tattva Parikrama: Kalikrishna Bandyopadhyaya
- 38. Samkhya Darshan: Bhupendranath Bhattacharya
- 39. Samkhya Darshaner Vivarana: Bidhubhushan Bhattacharya
- 40. Samkhyamata Samiksa: Yogendranath Bagchi
- 41. Samkhya Tattva Kaumudi: Narayan Chandra Goswami
- 42. Samkhya-Patanjal Darshan: Kanakprabha Bandyopadhyaya
- 43. Patanjal Darshan: Purnachandra Vedantachanchu
- 44. Puva Mimasa Darshan: Sukhamaya Bhattacharya
- 45. Vedanta Darshan: Roma Choudhury
- 46. Vedanta Darshan: Advaitavada: Ashutosh Sastri
- 47. Mayavada: Pramatha Nath Tarkabhushan
- 48. Vedanta Darshan: Swami Vidyaranya

## **C2T:** History of Western Philosophy – I

Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- a) Pre Socratic Philosophy
- b) Socratic Method of philosophizing.
- c) Plato: Theory of Knowledge, Theory of Forms.
- d) Aristotle: Critique of Plato's theory of Forms, Doctrine of four causes, Form and Matter
- e) St. Thomas Aquinas: Faith and Reason, Essence and Existence.
- f) Descartes: Cartesian method of doubt, Cogito ergo sum, Criterion of truth, Types of Ideas, Proofs for Existence of External World.
- g) Spinoza: Method of Spinoza, Theory of Knowledge three orders of knowing, Doctrine of Substance, Attributes and Modes, Pantheism, Freedom of will.
- h) Leibniz: Theory of Substance- the Monadology, Truths of reason, Truth of Facts. Some Metaphysical Principles: Laws of identity of indiscernible, Law of sufficient reason, Law of continuity, The Doctrine of Pre-established Harmony.

# **Suggested Readings:**

#### **English:**

- 1. The Greek Philosophers from Thales to Aristotle: W. K. C. Guthrie
- 2. A Critical History of Greek Philosophy: W.T. Stace
- 3. Encyclopedia of Philosophy: P. Edwards (ed.)
- 4. A History of Philosophy: F. Copleston, vols. I, II, IV, V, VI
- 5. History of Western Philosophy: B. Russell
- 6. History of Modern Philosophy: R. Falckenberg
- 7. A Critical History of Modern Philosophy: Y.H. Masih
- 8. A History of Philosophy: F. Thilly
- 9. A History of Modern Philosophy: W.K. Wright
- 10. A Critical History of Western Philosophy: D.J. O'Connor
- 11. A History of Philosophy from Descartes to Wittgenstein: R. Scruton
- 12. The Fundamental Questions of Philosophy: A.C. Ewing
- 13. A Brief History of Western Philosophy: A. Kenny
- 14. The Works of Descartes: Haldane & Ross (eds.)
- 15. Descartes: The Project of Pure Enquiry: B. Williams
- 16. Descartes: A. Kenny
- 17. Spinoza: Leon Roth
- 18. Leibniz: An Introduction to His Philosophy: N. Rescher
- 19. The Rationalists: J. Cottingham

- 20. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Tarak Candra Roy (pratham o dwitiya khanda)
- 21. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Kalyan Chandra Gupta
- 22. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Susanta Chakraborty
- 23. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Samarendra Bhattacharya (pratham o dwitiya khanda)
- 24. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas(Plato o Aristotle): N.B. Chakraborty
- 25. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas(Plato o Aristotle): Debabrata Sen
- 26. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas(Adhunik Yuga-Yuktivada (Descartes), Spinoza,Leibniz:): Chandrodaya Bhattacharya

#### Generic Elective (GE)

# GE-1 [Interdisciplinary for other department]

GE-1: Ethics: Indian and Western Credit 06

GE-1T: Ethics: Indian and Western Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- **A.** Four Purusarthās dharma, artha, kāma and mokṣa and their interrelation. Karma (Sakāma & Niskāma), Cārvāka Ethics.
- **B.** Buddhist Ethics: The Four Noble Truths and the Eight-Fold Path.
- C. Moral and Non-Moral Actions, Object of Moral Judgment.
- **D.** Teleological Ethics: Utilitarianism (Bentham and Mill). Deontological Ethics: Kant's Moral Theory. Virtue Ethics.
- E. Theories of Punishment.

## **Suggested Readings:**

#### **English:**

- 1. The Fundamentals of Hinduism-A Philosophical Study: S.C. Chatterjee
- 2. An Introduction to Ethics: W. Lillie

## Bengali:

3. Nitividya: Shibapada Chakrabarty

4. Nitividyar Tattvakatha: Somnath Chakrabarty

5. Nitisastra: Dikshit Gupta

Or

GE-1: Western Logic Credits 06

GE1T: Western Logic Credits 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- a) Introductory topics: Difference between deduction and induction, Sentence, proposition, argument, truth and validity.
- b) Aristotelian classification of categorical propositions, distribution of terms. Existential Import.
- c) Boolean interpretation of categorical propositions. Immediate inference: square of opposition, conversion, obversion and contraposition.
- d) Categorical syllogism: Figure, mood, rules and testing validity, Venn Diagram method: testing validity and fallacies.
- e) Symbolic Logic: Use of symbols, Truth-functions: Negation, Conjunction, disjunction, implication, equivalence.
- f) Tautology, Contradiction, Contingent statement forms. Construction of truth-table, using truth-tables for testing the validity of arguments and statement forms.

# **Suggested Readings:**

# **English:**

1. Introduction to Logic (13thedn): I. M. Copi and C. Cohen

- 2. Paschatya Darshan O Yuktivijnan: Ramaprasad Das
- 3. Paschatya Darsan O Yuktivijnan: Samir Kumar Chakrabarty

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# **SEMESTER-II**

# Course Structure

Course	Course	Name of the Subjects	Course	Teaching			Credit	Marks
	Code		Type/	Scheme in				
			Nature	hour	per v	veek		
				L	T	P		
CC3		C3T: Indian Philosophy -	Core Course-3	5	1	0	6	75
		II						
CC4		C4T: History of Western	Core Course-4	5	1	0	6	75
		Philosophy - II						
GE2		TBD (by other Discipline)	Generic	5-1-0/ 4-0-4			6	75
		<b>GE2T:</b> Gender Studies	Elective-2					
		Or						
		GE2T: Psychology and						
		Philosophy of Mind						
AECC		ENVS	AECC-2				4	100
			(Elective)					
		Semester Total					22	325

L=Lecture, T=Tutorial, P=Practical, CC- Core Course, TBD - To be decided, AECC- Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course, ENVS - Environmental Studies

Generic Elective (GE) (Interdisciplinary) from other Department [Paper will be of 6 credits]

# **Semester-II**

# **Core Course (CC)**

CC-3: Indian Philosophy – II Credit 06

C3T: Indian Philosophy – II Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- 1. **Sāmkhya** Satkāryavāda, Nature of Prakṛti, its constituents and proofs for its existence. Nature of Puruṣa and proofs for its existence, Plurality of Puruṣas,theory of evolution.
- 2. Yoga Citta, Cittavṛtti, Cittabhūmi. Eight fold path of Yoga, God.
- 3. **Mīmāmsā (Prābhakara and Bhātta)**: Basic concepts of Veda, dharma, Yoga, apurva, method of Veda pramanya vicara, Arthāpatti and Anupalabdhi as sources of knowledge
- 4. **Advaita Vedānta** Sankara's view of Brahman, Saguņa and Nirguņa Brahman, Three grades of Sattā: prātibhāsika, vyavahārika and pāramārthika, Jīva, Jagat and Māyā.
- Viśistādvaita Rāmānuja's view of Brahman, Jīva, Jagat. Refutation of the doctrine of Māyā.

## **Suggested Readings:**

## **English:**

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- 12. Logic, Language and Reality: Bimal Krishna Matilal
- 13. Arthasamgraha: Lougakshibhaskar: Gajendra Gadkar

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- 10. Gautama Buddher Darshan o Dharma: Sukomol Choudhury
- 11. Bauddha Darshan: Amit Kumar Bhattacharya
- 12. Ksanabhangavada: Bidhubhusan Bhattacharya
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- 16. Nyaya-Vaisesika Darshan: Karuna Bhattacharya
- 17. Nyaya Tattva Parikrama: Kalikrishna Bandyopadhyaya
- 18. Samkhya Darshan: Bhupendranath Bhattacharya
- 19. Samkhya Darshaner Vivarana: Bidhubhushan Bhattacharya
- 20. Samkhyamata Samiksa: Yogendranath Bagchi
- 21. Samkhya Tattva Kaumudi: Narayan Chandra Goswami
- 22. Samkhya-Patanjal Darshan: Kanakprabha Bandyopadhyaya
- 23. Patanjal Darshan: Purnachandra Vedantachanchu
- 24. Puva Mimasa Darshan: Sukhamaya Bhattacharya
- 25. Vedanta Darshan: Roma Choudhury
- 26. Vedanta Darshan: Advaitavada: Ashutosh Sastri
- 27. Mayavada: Pramatha Nath Tarkabhushan
- 28. Vedanta Darshan: Swami Vidyaranya

## CC-4: History of Western Philosophy – II

Credit 06

## C4T: History of Western Philosophy – II

Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- 1. **Locke:** Refutation of innate ideas, the origin and formation of ideas, simple and complex ideas, substance, modes and relations, nature of knowledge and its degrees, limits of knowledge, primary and secondary qualities, representative realism.
- 2. **Berkeley:** Refutation of abstract ideas. Criticism of Locke's distinction between primary and secondary qualities, Idealism, esse-est-percipi, role of God.
- 3. **Hume:** Impression and ideas, association of ideas, distinction between judgements concerning relations of ideas and judgments concerning matters of fact, theory of causality, theory of self and personal identity, scepticism.
- 4. **Kant:** Conception of critical Philosophy, distinction between a priori and a posteriori judgements, distinction between analytic and synthetic judgements. Synthetic a priori judgements, Copernican Revolution in Philosophy, Space & time
- 5. Hegel: Idealism, Dialectic method

# **Suggested Readings:**

## **English:**

- 1. Encyclopedia of Philosophy: P. Edwards (ed.)
- 2. A History of Philosophy: F. Coppleston, vols. I, II, IV, V, VI
- 3. History of Western Philosophy: B. Russell
- 4. History of Modern Philosophy: R. Falckenberg
- 5. A Critical History of Modern Philosophy: Y.H. Masih
- 6. A History of Philosophy: F. Thilly
- 7. A History of Modern Philosophy: W.K. Wright
- 8. A Critical History of Western Philosophy: D.J. O'Connor
- 9. A History of Philosophy from Descartes to Wittgenstein: R. Scruton
- 10. The Fundamental Questions of Philosophy: A.C. Ewing
- 11. A Brief History of Western Philosophy: A. Kenny
- 12. The Rationalists: J. Cottingham
- 13. An Essay Concerning Human Understanding: J. Locke
- 14. John Locke: R. Aron
- 15. Berkeley: G. Pitcher
- 16. The Works of George Berkeley: T.E. Jessop & A.R. Luce(eds.) 8 vols
- 17. An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding-D. Hume: J. N. Mohanty (ed)
- 18. A Treatise on Human Nature: D. Hume
- 19. Locke, Berkeley, Hume: J. Bennett
- 20. Locke, Berkeley, and Hume: C.R. Morris
- 21. A Critique of Pure Reason-Immanuel Kant: N.K. Smith(tr. & ed.)
- 22. Kant's Metaphysics of Experience: H.J. Paton vols I & II
- 23. The Philosophy of Kant: J. Kemp
- 24. Kant: Paul Guyer
- 25. A Handbook to Kant's Critique of Pure Reason: Rasvihari Das
- 26. Kant: S. Körner
- 27. Kant: Allen W. Wood
- 28. Lectures on Kant's Critique of Pure Reason: J.N. Mohanty

- 1. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Tarak Candra Roy (pratham o dwitiya khanda)
- 2. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Kalyan Chandra Gupta
- 3. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas: Susanta Chakraborty
- 4. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas:Ikshanvada(Locke, Berkeley,Hume): Chandrodaya Bhattacharya
- 5. Paschatya Darshaner Itihas:(Locke, Berkeley, Hume): N.B. Chakraborty
- 6. Hume-er Enquiry-Ekti Upasthapana: Ramaprasad Das
- 7. Kanter Darshan-Tattva o Prayog: Prahlad Kumar Sarkar (ed.)
- 8. Kanter Darshan:Rasvihari Das
- 9. Kanter Shuddha Prajnar Bichar: Mrinal Kanti Bhadra
- 10. Bishuddha Prajnar Bichar: Gopal Chandra Khan

#### **Generic Elective (GE)**

# GE-2 [Interdisciplinary for other department]

GE-2: Gender Studies Credit 06

GE-2T: Gender Studies Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- **F.** Scope and rationale of Gender Studies.
- **G.** Gender as social construction vis-à-vis sex.
- **H.** Levels of misogyny: Sexism, Patriarchy and Phallogocentrism; Androcentrism.
- **I.** Feminism and its different stands: Liberal, Marxist, Radical, Socialist and Post colonial.
- J. Third Gender issues.
- K. Masculinism.

## **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. Feminist Thought: Androcentrism, Communication and Objectivity: Shefali Moitra, Munshiram Monoharlal Publishers Pvt. Ltd.,2002, New Delhi
- 2. Understanding Gender: Kamla Bhasin, Women Unlimited, 2001, New Delhi
- 3. Handbook of Feminist Theory: Lisa Disch And Mary Hawkesworth, Oxford University Press, 2016
- 4. Practical Ethics: Peter Singer
- 5. Applied Ethics: Peter Singer
- 6. Redefining Ethics As Care: Bidisha Mukherjee, Papyrus, Kolkata 2008
- 7. The Ethics Of Care: Virginia Held
- 8. The Core Of Care Ethics: S. Collins, P. Macmillan Publishers, 2015
- 9. In a Different Voice: Gilligan, C., Harvard University Press, 1982
- 10. Naitikata O Narivada : Shefali Moitra
- 11. Nitividya: Samarendra Bhattacharya

Or

## **GE-2: Psychology and Philosophy of Mind**

Credits 06

## **GE2T: Psychology and Philosophy of Mind**

Credits 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- a. Philosophy of Mind: Introduction
- b. Mind-Body Problem, different solutions: Dualism, Behaviourism and Identity theory.
- c. Psychology: Introduction
- d. Methods of Psychology: Introspection, Extrospection, Experimental Methods
- e. Sensation and Perception: Relation and Difference between sensation and perception. Gestalt theory of perception. Illusion and Hallucination

- f. Consciousness: What is consciousness? and Problems of consciousness.
- g. Levels of Mind Conscious, Sub-conscious, Unconscious, Proofs for the existence of Unconscious, Freud's Theory of Dream.
- h. Learning: the trial and error theory, Pavlov's Conditioned Response theory, Gestalt theory
- i. Intelligence: Measurement of Intelligence, I.Q., Test of Intelligence

## **Suggested Readings:**

#### **English:**

- 4. A Textbook of Psychology: Paresh Nath Bhattacharya
- 5. Introduction to Psychology: G.T. Morgan, R. A. King Jr.
- 6. A Modern Introduction to Psychology: Rex Knight & M. Knight
- 7. A Manual of Psychology: G.F. Stout
- 8. Psychology: Woodworth & Marquis
- 9. Science and Human Behaviour: B.F. Skinner
- 10. About Behaviorism: B.F. Skinner
- 11. General Psychology: G.D. Boaz
- 12. General Psychology: G. Murphy
- 13. Psychology: W. James
- 14. A Textbook of Psychology: E.B. Titchener
- 15. Principles of Psychology: W. James
- 16. Introduction to Psychology: N.L. Muna
- 17. A Materialist Theory of Mind: D.M. Armstrong
- 18. Philosophy of Mind: J. Heil
- 19. Philosophy of Mind: J. Shaffer
- 20. An Introduction to Philosophy of Mind: C.J. Lowe
- 21. Ten Problems of Consciousness: Michael Tye

- 1. Monovidya: Priti Bhushan Chattopadhyay
- 2. Monovidya: Pareshnath Bhattacharya
- 3. Monovidya: Ira Sengupta
- 4. Monovidya: Samarendra Bhattacharya
- 5. Monosamikksha: M. N. Mitra o Pushpa Mishra
- 6. Monodarshan-Sarirvada o Tar Vikalap: M. N. Mitra o P. Sarkar (Sampadito)
- 7. Monovijana Prasanga: Saradindu Bandyopadhyay
- 8. Adhunik Monovijana: Ira Sengupta
- 9. Shikshashrayi Monovidya: Sushil Roy
- 10. Monodarshan: Arabinda Basu o Nibedita Chakraborty

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# **SEMESTER-III**

# Course Structure

Course	Course	Name of the Subjects	Course	Teaching			Credit	Marks
	Code		Type/	Scheme in				
			Nature	hour per week				
				L	T	P		
CC5		C5T: Psychology and Philosophy of Mind	Core Course-5	5	1	0	6	75
CC6		C6T: Socio-Political Philosophy	Core Course-6	5	1	0	6	75
CC7		C7T: Western Logic-I	Core Course-7	5	1	0	6	75
GE3		TBD (by other Discipline) GE3T: Theory of Inference in Nyāya Or GE3T: Nyāya Metaphysics	Elective-3	5-1	-0/ 4-	0-4	6	75
SEC1		SEC-1:Computer Application Or SEC-1: Philosophy of Human Rights	SEC-1	1	1	0	2	50
		Semester Total					26	350

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# **Semester-III**

# **Core Course (CC)**

CC-5: Psychology and Philosophy of Mind

Credit 06

C5T: Psychology and Philosophy of Mind

Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

a) Psychology: Definition, Nature and Scope

- b) Methods of Psychology: Introspection, Extrospection, Experimental Methods variables dependent &independent, controls in experiment, limitations of experimental method.
- c) Sensation and Perception: Nature of sensation, nature of perception, relation between sensation and perception, Gestalt theory of perception. Illusion and Hallucination.
- d) Learning: Theories of Learning Trial and error theory, Thorndike's laws of learning, Gestalt Theory, Pavlov's theory of conditioned response, B.F. Skinner's theory of Operant Conditioning (reinforcement, extinction, punishment).
- e) Philosophical Theories of Mind: Interactionism, Double-aspect theory, Philosophical Behaviorism, Materialism mind brain identity theory, The Person theory (Strawson).
- f) Consciousness: Levels of mind—Conscious, Sub-conscious, Unconscious, proofs for the existence of Unconscious, Freud's theory of Dream.
- g) Personality: Types, Factors and Traits of Personality.

## **Suggested Readings:**

#### **English:**

- 1. A Textbook of Psychology: Paresh Nath Bhattacharya
- 2. Introduction to Psychology: G.T. Morgan, R. A. King Jr.
- 3. A Modern Introduction to Psychology: Rex Knight & M. Knight
- 4. A Manual of Psychology: G.F. Stout
- 5. Psychology: Woodworth & Marquis
- 6. Science and Human Behaviour: B.F. Skinner
- 7. About Behaviorism: B.F. Skinner
- 8. General Psychology: G.D. Boaz
- 9. General Psychology: G. Murphy
- 10. Psychology: W. James
- 11. A Textbook of Psychology: E.B. Titchener
- 12. Principles of Psychology: W. James
- 13. Introduction to Psychology: N.L. Muna
- 14. A Materialist Theory of Mind: D.M. Armstrong
- 15. Philosophy of Mind: J. Heil
- 16. Philosophy of Mind: J. Shaffer
- 17. An Introduction to Philosophy of Mind: C.J. Lowe

# **Bengali:**

- 1. Monovidya: Priti Bhushan Chattopadhyay
- 2. Monovidya: Pareshnath Bhattacharya
- 3. Monovidya: Ira Sengupta
- 4. Monovidya: Samarendra Bhattacharya
- 5. Monosamikksha: M. N. Mitra o Pushpa Mishra
- 6. Monodarshan-Sarirvada o Tar Vikalap: M. N. Mitra o P. Sarkar (Sampadito)
- 7. Monovijana Prasanga: Saradindu Bandyopadhyay
- 8. Adhunik Monovijana: Ira Sengupta
- 9. Shikshashrayi Monovidya: Sushil Roy
- 10. Monodarshan: Arabinda Basu o Nibedita Chakraborty

# **CC-6: Socio-Political Philosophy**

Credit 06

## **C6T: Socio-Political Philosophy**

Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- a) Nature and Scope of Socio-Political Philosophy.
- b) Primary concepts: Society, community, association, institution, family: nature, different forms of family, role of family in the society.
- c) Social Class and Caste: Principles of class and caste, Varnasrama dharma, Marxist conception of class, Ambedkar's concept of class.
- d) Secularism—its nature, Secularism in India.
- e) Social Change: Nature, Relation to Social progress, Marx-Engles on social change, Gandhi on social change.
- f) Political Ideals: Nature of Democracy and its different forms, direct and indirect democracy, liberal democracy, Socialist democracy, Socialism: Utopian and Scientific.

# **Suggested Readings:**

#### **English:**

- 1. Philosophy: A Guide through the subject: A.C. Grayling (Ed.)
- 2. Individuals: An Essay in Descriptive Metaphysics: P.F. Strawson
- 3. The Concept of Person and Other Essays: A.J.Ayer
- 4. Fundamentals of Sociology: P. Gisbert
- 5. Outlines of Social Philosophy: J.S. Mackenzie
- 6. Problems of Polical Philosophy: D.D. Raphael
- 7. Society: R.M. MacIver & C.H. Page
- 8. Sociology: M. Ginsberg
- 9. Sociology: Tom Bottomore
- 10. Sociology: S.N. Shankar Rao
- 11. Sociology: D.C. Bhattacharya
- 12. Sociology: P.B. Kar
- 13. Guide to Modern Thought: C.E.M. Joad
- 14. Introduction to Modern political Theory: C.E.M. Joad
- 15. The Evolution of Political Philosophy of Gandhi: Buddhadeb Bhattacharya
- 16. Social and Political Thought of Gandhi: Jayantanuja Bandyopadhyay

- 17. The Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi: D.M. Dutta
- 18. The Philosophy of Sarvodaya: K.S. Bharathi
- 19. Communist Manifesto: Karl Marx & Frederick Engels
- 20. Socialism: Utopian and Scientific: F. Engels Ngv nnv
- 21. Open Society and Its Enemies: Karl Popper
- 22. The Open Philosophy and The Open Society: M. Cornforth
- 23. Religion in India: T.N. Madan(ed.)
- 24. Religion and Society: S. Radhakrishnan
- 25. Secularism in the Present Indian Society, Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay in Bulletinof the Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Vol.LVII, No. 11
- 26. Secularism and Its Critics: Rajeev Bhargava (ed.)
- 27. Civil Society and Its Institutions: Andre Beteille
- 28. Unravelling the Nation:Sectarian Conflict and India's Secular Identity: Kaushik Basu &Sanjay Subramaniyam (eds.)
- 29. India as A Secular State: D.E. Smith
- 30. Political Thought: C.L. Wayper
- 31. Political Philosophy: An Introduction: W.T. Blackstone
- 32. Political Philosophy: East and West: Krishna Roy
- 33. Political Philosophy: V.P. Verma
- 34. Essays in Social and Political Philosophy: Krishna Roy & Chhanda Gupta (eds.)
- 35. Western Political Thought: Brian R. Nelson
- 36. Western Political Thought: From Plato to Marx: Shefali Jha

# Bengali:

- 1. Samaj Darshan Dipika: Pritibhushan Chattopadhyay
- 2. Samaj Tattva: Parimal Bhushan Kar
- 3. Samaj Tattva: T. Bottomore
- 4. Bisay Samaj Tattva: Anadi Kumar Mahapatra
- 5. Samajdarshan o Rashtradarshaner Parichoy: A.K. Mahapatra o P. Mukherjee
- 6. Rashtradarshaner Dhara: Amal kumar Mukhopadhyay
- 7. Samajdarshan o Rashtradarshan: Samarendra Bhattacharya
- 8. Samaj o Rajnaitikdarshan: Sandip Das
- 9. Samyabader Itihas: Marx o Engels
- 10. Samajtantra: Kalpanik o Baijnanik: F. Engels
- 11. Marxiya Rashtrachinta: Shovan Lal Dutta Gupta
- 12. Sarvodaya Andoloner Itihas: Gurudas Bandyopadhyay
- 13. Gandhi Rachanasambhar: M.K. Gandhi
- 14. Bharater Dharmanirapekshatar Sankat, Bholanath Bandyopadhyay in Essays on Science and Society: Biplab Chakraborti
- 15. Dharmanirapekshata Birodhi Istahar: Ashis Nandy.

CC-7: Western Logic –I

Credit 06

C7T: Western Logic –I

Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

a) Logic and Arguments, Deductive and Inductive Arguments, Argument forms and arguments, statement forms and statement, Truth and Validity. Categorical propositions and classes: quality, quantity and distribution of terms, Translating

- categorical propositions into standard form.
- b) Immediate inferences: Conversion, Obversion and Contrapositon, Traditional square of opposition and Immediate Inferences based there on; Existential Import, symbolism and Diagrams for categorical propositions.
- c) Categorical Syllogism: Standard Form categorical Syllogism; The Formal nature of Syllogistic Argument, Rules and Fallacies, General Rules; To test Syllogistic Arguments for validity (by applying general rules for syllogism); To solve problems and prove theorems concerning syllogism.
- d) Boolean Interpretation of categorical propositions; Logic concerning immediate inference and syllogism; Venn Diagram Technique for Testing Syllogisms, Hypothetical and Disjunctive Syllogisms.
- e) Induction: Argument by Analogy, Appraising Analogical Arguments, Refutation by Logical Analogy.
- f) Causal Connections: Cause and Effect, the meaning of "Cause"; Induction by Simple Enumeration; Mill's Method of Experimental Inquiry; Mill's Method of Agreement, Method of Difference, Joint Method of Agreement and Difference, Method of Residues, Method of Concomitant Variations; Criticism of Mills Methods, Vindication of Mill's Methods.
- g) Science and Hypothesis: Explanations; Scientific and Unscientific, Evaluating Scientific Explanations; The pattern of Scientific Investigation; Crucial Experiments and Ad Hoc Hypotheses.
- h) Probability: Alternative Conception of Probability; The Probability Calculus; Joint Occurrences; Alternative Occurrences.

## **Suggested Readings:**

#### **English:**

- 1. Introduction to Logic (13th Edn.): I.M. Copi & C. Cohen
- 2. Symbolic Logic: I.M. Copi
- 3. Methods of Logic (Part I,Ch.s 5,7,9): W.V.O. Quine
- 4. Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method: Cohen & Nagel
- 5. Logic: Informal, Symbolic and Inductive: Chhanda Chakraborty
- 6. Logic: Stan Baronett & Madhuchhanda Sen
- 7. The Elements of Logic: Stephen Barkar
- 8. Understanding Symbolic Logic: Virginia Klenk
- 9. Logic- A Comprehensive Introduction; S.D. Guttenplan & M. Tamney
- 10. Logic & Philosophy- A Modern Introduction: Howard Kahne
- 11. Logic- A First Course: A.E. Blumberg

- 1. Nabya Yuktibijnana (Pratham theke caturtha khanda): Ramaprasad Das
- 2. Sanketik Yuktibijnana: Ramaprasad Das
- 3. Samsad Yuktibijnana Abhidhan: Ramaprasad Das o Subirranjan Bhattacharya

# **Generic Elective (GE)**

## GE-3 [Interdisciplinary for other department]

# GE-3: Theory of Inference in Nyāya

Credit 06

## GE-3T: Theory of Inference in Nyāya

Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- a) Basic concepts of three terms of the inference or *anumāna* in Indian logic: pakṣa, sādhya and hetu. Definiton of anumāna, anumiti, parāmarśa and pakṣatā. Parāmarśa as the karaṇa (special causal condition) of anumiti.
- b) Definition of *vyāpti*, *Vyāptigrahopāya*. Kinds of *anumāna*: (i) *svārthānumāna* and *parārthānumāna*
- c) (ii) pūrvavat, śeṣavat and sāmānyatodṛṣṭa (iii) kevalānvayī, kevala-vyātirekī and anvaya-vyātirekī. Analysis of pañcāvayavī nyāya.
- d) *Liṅga* or *hetu* and its three kinds *kevalānvayī*, *kevala-vyātirekī* and *anvaya-vyātirekī*. Definiton of *pakṣa*, *sapakṣa* and *vipakṣa* with illustrations. Marks of *saddhetu*.
- e) Definition and illustration of hetvābhāsa and its five kinds.

## **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. Nyāya Theory of Knowledge: S.C. Chatterjee
- 2. Six ways of Knowing: D.M. Dutta
- 3. Bhāṣāpariccheda with Siddhāntamuktāvalī: Pancanan Shastri (ed.)
- 4. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Narayan Chandra Goswami (ed.)

Or

#### **GE-3:** Nyāya Metaphysics

Credits 06

## **GE3T:** Nyāya Metaphysics

Credits 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- 1. Relevance of the acceptance of God in Nyāya Philosophy.
- 2. Arguments in favour of the existence of God.
- 3. The Nyāya theory of Self.
- 4. Proof for the existence of Self.
- 5. Liberation of Self.
- 6. The Nyāya theory of Liberation.

# **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. Udayanacaryakrita Nyāyakusumāñjali: Shyamapada Misra
- 2. Udayanacaryakrita Nyāyakusumāñjali: Srimohan Bhattacharya
- 3. Nyayatattvaparikrama: Kalikrishna Bandopadhyaya

## **Skill Enhancement Course (SEC)**

#### **SEC-1:** Computer Application

Credit 02

# **SEC-1T: Computer Application**

Credit 02

#### **Course Contents:**

- 1. Computer and its Basic Organisation, Working with Flow Charts
- 2. Working with tools in MS Word
- 3. Introduction to spreadsheets (MS Excel)
- 4. First step to Multimedia Presentation (MS Power point)
- 5. Internet and E mail services
- 6. Computer virus, Ethical hacking.

# **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. Understanding Information Technology 7: Vijay Kumar Pandey, Arya Publishing Company
- 2. Computer Fundamentals: P.K. Sinha
- 3. Computer Fundamentals and Programming: P.Dey& M.Ghosh
- 4. Microsoft Word [Version 97, 2000, 2002 (XP)]: Mahbabur Rahaman

Or

## **SEC-1: Philosophy of Human Rights**

Credits 02

## **SEC-1T: Philosophy of Human Rights**

Credits 02

#### **Course Contents:**

- 1. Definition and Nature of Human Rights
- 2. The Idea of Human Rights: Its Origins and Historical Developments during Ancient period, Modern period and Contemporary period
- 3. The Idea of Natural Law and Natural Rights: Thomas Hobbes and John Locke.
- 4. The Natural Rights Tradition: Some Reactions from Jeremy Bentham, Edmund Burke and Thomas Paine
- 5. Natural Right, Fundamental Right and Human Right
- 6. Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Duties (Indian Constitution)

# **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. Patrick Hayden (ed.): The Philosophy of Human Rights, Paragon House, St. Paul, First Edition,
- 2. Morton E. Winston (ed.): The Philosophy of Human Rights, Wadsworth Publishing Co. Belmont, California,
- 3. Jeremy Waldron (ed.): Theories of Rights, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 1984
- 4. Ashwani Peetush and Jay Drydyk: Human Rights: *India and West*, OxfordUniversity Press, New Delhi,
- 5. James Nickel: Making Sense of Human Rights, Blackwell Publishing, Oxford,
- 6. Henry Shue: Basic Rights: Subsistence, Affluence and U. S. Foreign Policy, Princeton University Press, Princeton,
- 7. Gary, B. Herbert: Philosophical History of Human rights, Transaction Publishers, New Jersey
- 8. Michael Freeden: Rights, Worldview Publications, New Delhi, 1998.
- 9. Lynn Hunt: Inventing Human Rights: A History, Norton & Company, New York,
- 10. Jack Donnelly: Universal Human rights in Theory and Practice, ManasPublications, New Delhi,

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# **SEMESTER-IV**

## **Course Structure**

Course	Course Code	Name of the Subjects	Course Type/ Nature	Teaching Scheme in hour per week			Credit	Marks
			1 (ded)	L	T	P		
CC8		C8T: Philosophy of Religion	Core Course-8	5	1	0	6	75
CC9		C9T Western logic - II	Core Course-9	5	1	0	6	75
CC10		C10T: Epistemiology and Metaphysics ( Western)	Core Course-10	5	1	0	6	75
GE4		TBD (by other Discipline) GE4T: Environmental Ethics Or GE4T: Termination of Life & Ethics	Generic Elective-4	5-1	-0/ 4-	0-4	6	75
SEC2		SEC-1: Value Education Or SEC-1: Man and Environment	SEC-2	1	1	0	2	50
	-	Semester Total					26	350

CC = Core Course, AECC = Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course, GE = Generic Elective, SEC = Skill Enhancement Course, DSE = Discipline Specific Elective, CA= Continuous Assessment, ESE= End Semester Examination, L = Lecture, T = Tutorial, P = Practical , MIL = Modern Indian Language

# **Semester-IV**

# **Core Course (CC)**

CC-8: Philosophy of Religion Credit 06

C8T: Philosophy of Religion Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- a) Nature and scope of Philosophy of Religion.
- b) Doctrine of *karma* and rebirth, doctrine of *dharma*, doctrine of liberation (Vaidika, Bauddha and Jaina views)
- c) Basic Tenets of Islam: God the ultimate Reality, His attributes, His relation to the world and man.
- d) Basic tenets of Christianity: The doctrine of Trinity, The theory of Redemption
- e) Religious Pluralism, Inter-religious dialogue and Possibility of Universal Religion.
- f) Arguments for the existence of God: 1)Nyāya arguments, 2) Cosmological, Telelogical and Ontological arguments
- g) Grounds for Disbelief in God: Sociological theory (Durkheim), Freudian theory, Marxian theory.

## **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. Philosophy of Religion: J. Hick
- 2. An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion: Brian Davies
- 3. Indian Philosophy of Religion: A. Sharma
- 4. Comparative Religion: P.B. Chatterjee
- 5. Comparative Religion: Eric J. Sharpe
- 6. Patterns in Comparative Religion: M. Eliade (Ch I, Sec. I)
- 7. Atheism in Indian Philosophy: D.P. Chattopadhyay
- 8. Essays in Indian Philosophy: Sukharanjan Saha (ed.)
- 9. Studies in Nyaya-Vaisesika Theism: Gopika Mohan Bhattacharya
- 10. The Religions of the World: R.K.M. Institute of Culture
- 11. Encyclopedia Britannica, Vol. I
- 12. Encyclopedia of Islam, Vols. I & II
- 13. Indian Religions: S. Radhakrishnan
- 14. Foundations of Living Faith: H.D. Bhattacharya
- 15. Aspects of Hindu Morality: Saral Jhingram
- 16. A History of Muslim Philosophy (Vols.I &II): M.M. Sharif
- 17. Islam and Secularism: Sayed Muhammad Al-Naquib Al-Attas
- 18. The History of Philosophy in Islam-T.J. de Boer: E. Jones (tr.)
- 19. The Holy Quran: Mohammad Yusuf Ali (tr.)
- 20. The Spirit of Islam: Syed Amir Ali
- 21. The Meaning of the Glorious Koran: M. Pickthall
- 22. A History of Islamic Philosophy: M. Fakhry
- 23. The Spirit of Islam's Message, Muhammad Qamaruddin in Religions of the People of India:S.R. Saha (ed.)
- 24. Cultural Heritage of Islam: Osman Ghani
- 25. Old Testament: R. Kittel (ed.)

- 26. New Testament: Kilpatrick
- 27. The Doctrine of the Trinity: R.S. Franks
- 28. The Doctrine of the Trinity: Loenard Hodgson
- 29. The Idea of the Holy: R. Otto
- 30. A Brief Account of the Religion of the Hindus: Srilekha Dutta in Religions of the People of India: S.R. Saha (ed.)
- 31. Dharma in Hinduism: An Ideal Religion: Tapan Kumar Chakraborty in Religionsof the People of India: S.R. Saha (ed.)
- 32. Jainism A Religion of Non-Theistic Humanism: Tushar Sarkar in Religions of the People of India: S.R. Saha (ed.)
- 33. Essays in Analytical Philosophy (Ch.VII): Gopinath Bhattacharya
- 34. Buddhism in India and Abroad: Anukul Badyopadhyay

CC-9: Western Logic – II

Credit 06

C9T: Western Logic – II

Credit 06

## **Course Contents:**

- a) Symbolic Logic: The value of special symbols; Truth-Functions; Symbols for Negation, Conjunction, Disjunction, Conditional Statements and Material Implication; Material Equivalence and Logical Equivalence;
- b) Tautologous, Contradictory and Contingent Statement-Forms; The Paradoxes of Material Implication; The three Laws of Thought.
- c) Testing Argument Form and Argument for validity by
  - i)The Method of Truth-table.
- d) Determining the logical character of statement form and statements by
  - i) The Method of Truth-table.
- e) The Method of Deduction: Formal Proof of Validity: Difference between Implicational Rules and the Rules of Replacement; Construction of Formal Proof of Validity by using nineteen rules; Proof of invalidity by assignment ftruth-values.
- f) Quantification Theory: Need for Quantification Theory, Singular Propositions; Quantification; Translating Traditional subject predicate proposition into the logical notation of propositional function and quantifiers;
- g) Quantification Rules and Proving Validity; Proving Invalidity for arguments involving quantifiers.

## **Suggested Readings:**

#### **English:**

- 1. Introduction to Logic (13th Edn.): I.M. Copi & C. Cohen
- 2. Symbolic Logic: I.M. Copi
- 3. Methods of Logic (Part I,Ch.s 5,7,9): W.V.O. Quine
- 4. Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method: Cohen & Nagel
- 5. Logic: Informal, Symbolic and Inductive: Chhanda Chakraborty
- 6. Logic: Stan Baronett & Madhuchhanda Sen
- 7. The Elements of Logic: Stephen Barkar
- 8. Understanding Symbolic Logic: Virginia Klenk
- 9. Logic- A Comprehensive Introduction; S.D. Guttenplan & M. Tamney

- 10. Logic & Philosophy- A Modern Introduction: Howard Kahne
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## **CC-10: Epistemology and Metaphysics (Western)**

Credit 06

#### C10T: Epistemology and Metaphysics (Western)

Credit 06

## **Course Contents:**

- 1) Concepts, Truth: Theories of Truth- Correspondence, Coherence, Pragmatic theory.
- 2) Some Principal uses of the verb "To know", Conditions of Propositional Knowledge, Strong and weak senses of "know".
- 3) Analytic truth and logical possibility.
- 4) The a-priori.
- 5) The Problem of Induction.
- 6) Cause and Causal Principles
- 7) Realism, Idealism, Phenomenalism

#### **Suggested Readings:**

# **English:**

- 1. An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis—John Hospers
- 2. The Problem of Knowledge: A.J. Ayer
- 3. Language, Truth and Logic: A.J. Ayer
- 4. Readings in Philosophical Analysis: J. Hospers
- 5. The Central Questions of Philosophy: A.J. Ayer
- 6. Theory of Knowledge: A.J. Woozley
- 7. An Introduction to Philosophy: Shibapada Chakraborty

- 1. Darshanik Jijnasa (Bagarthatattva): Ramaprasad Das
- 2. Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva-Jnaner Svarup): Ramaprasad Das
- 3. Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva): Ramaprasad Das
- 4. Darshanik Jijnasa (Paratattva o Bhauto Jagater Jnana): Ramaprasad Das
- 5. Darshanik Bishlesaner Ruparekha (Pratham O dvitiya khanda): SamarikantaSamanta
- 6. Paschatya darshaner Ruparekha: Ramaprasad Das o Shibapada Chakraborty

# **Generic Elective (GE)**

# GE-4 [Interdisciplinary for other department]

## **GE-4: Environmental Ethics**

Credit 06

#### **GE-4T:** Environmental Ethics

Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- 1. Definition, Nature, and scope of Environmental Ethics.
- 2. Concepts of Anthropocentrism and non-anthropocentrism.
- 3. Value beyond sentient beings.
- 4. Reverence for life.
- 5. Deep Ecology.
- 6. Concepts of Kinship Ethics
- 7. Holism
- 8. Ecological Concern in Indian thoughts: Jaina and Bauddha views

## **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. 'The Shallow and the Deep, Long-Range Ecology Movements: A Summary', Inquiry, Arne Naess
- 2. The Economy of the Earth: Philosophy, Law and the Environment, Second Edition-Mark Sagoff.
- 3. Ethics and the Environment: An Introduction-Dale Jamieson.
- 4. Falita Nītiśastra, First edition Dr Santosh Kumar Pal.
- 5. Paribesh o Naitikata, Nirmalya Narayan Chakraborty, Progressive Book Forum, Kolkata.
- 6. Byboharik Nitividya: Samarendra Bhattacharya, Book Syndicate Private Limited, Kolkata.

Or

## **GE-4: Termination of Life & Ethics**

Credits 06

#### **GE4T: Termination of Life & Ethics**

Credits 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- 1. Taking non-human life
- 2. Terminating Human life, Definition of death, Withholding and withdrawing treatment, Suicide, assisted suicide
- 3. Euthanasia: Voluntary, non-voluntary, involuntary. Active and Passive Euthanasia, Arguments for and against euthanasia.
- 4. Abortion: status of embryo and fetus, non-identity preserving status of early stage fetus, spare embryo, Conservative arguments against abortion, Feminist arguments for abortion, women's rights to body.

#### **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. Practical Ethics, Second Edition, Cambridge University Press-Peter Singer.
- 2. A Companion to Bio-ethics, Blackwell Publisher Peter Singer and Helga Kuhse.

- 3. Walter Glannon: Biomedical Ethics, Oxford University Press.
- 4. Peter Singer: Practical Ethics, Cambridge University Press
- 5. J. Mc Mahan: The Ethics of Killing: Life at the Margins, Oxford University Press.
- 6. F. M. Kamm, Morality Morality, vol. 1, Oxford University Press.

## **Skill Enhancement Course (SEC)**

SEC-2: Value Education Credit 02

SEC-2T: Value Education Credit 02

#### **Course Contents:**

- a) Meaning, Characteristics, significance and objectives of Value education
- b) Values in different contexts: Individual, Social, Cultural, Moral and Global and Spiritual.
- c) Meaning and Characteristics of Peace education
- d) Aims and Objectives of Peace Education
- e) Types of peace education
- f) Peace and Value education in Global Perspective

## **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. Introduction to Peace Studies: David P. Barash Belmont
- 2. 'International Relations', in The English Writings of Rabindranath Tagore: A Miscellany, (ed) Sisir Kumar Das: Rabindra Nath Tagore New Delhi: Sahitya Akademi.
- 3. Handbook of Peace and Conflict Studies: Charles Webel and Johan Galtung(eds.), Routledge, London and New York,
- 4. Peace and Value Education: Babu Muthuja,
- 5. Philosophy of Value: Aditya Mohanty

Or

SEC-2: Man and Environment Credits 02

SEC-2T: Man and Environment Credits 02

#### **Course Contents:**

#### a) Classical Indian attitude to Environment

- a. Bhumisukta: Atharvaveda
- b. Bio-centric outlook to nature,
- c. The idea of intrinsic worth of nature.

#### b) Intrinsic Value of nature

- **a.** Callicott's idea of intrinsic value of nature,
- **b.** Rolston III on intrinsic value of nature

# c) Deep ecology and its third world critique

- a. Arne Naess on Deep Ecology,
- **b.** Ramchandra Guha's Critique of Deep Ecology

## **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. John Passmore, 'Attitudes to Nature', Environmental Ethics (ed.) Robert Elliot, Oxford University Press, Oxford,
- 2. Rabindranath Tagore, Sadhana (first Chapter), Macmillan, New York,
- 3. Paul Taylor, Respect for Nature: A Theory of Environmental Ethics (Select Parts), Princeton University Press, Princeton,
- 4. Robert Elliot, 'Intrinsic value, Environmental Obligation and Naturalness', Monist,
- 5. Arne Naess, 'The Shallow and the Deep, Long-Range Ecology Movements: A
- 6. Summary', Inquiry,
- 7. Val Plumwood, Nature, Self and Gender: Feminism, Environmental Philosophy and the Critique of Rationalism, Environmental Ethics (ed.) Robert Elliot, Oxford University Press, Oxford,
- 8. Nirmalya Narayan Chakraborty, Paribesh o Naitikata, Progressive Book Forum, Kolkata.

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# **SEMESTER-V**

# Course Structure

Course	Course Code	Name of the Subjects	Course Type/	Teaching Scheme in			Credit	Marks
			Nature	hour	per v	veek		
				L	T	P		
CC11		C11T: Nyāya	Core Course-11	5	1	0	6	75
		Epistemology						
CC12		C12T Ethics(Indian)	Core Course-12	5	1	0	6	75
DSE-1		<b>DSE-1:</b> Philosophy of language (Indian)	Discipline Specific Elective-1	5	1	0	6	75
DSE-2		DSE-2: Ethics (Applied Ethics) Or DSE-2: Philosophy of Language (Western)	Discipline Specific Elective-2	5	1	0	6	75
	1	Semester Total	1				24	300

CC = Core Course, AECC = Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course, GE = Generic Elective, SEC = Skill Enhancement Course, DSE = Discipline Specific Elective, CA= Continuous Assessment, ESE= End Semester Examination, L = Lecture, T = Tutorial, P = Practical, MIL = Modern Indian Language

# **Semester-V**

## Core Course (CC)

CC-11: Nyāya Epistemology –I Credit 06

C11T: Nyāya Epistemology –I Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- a) Definition of definition: Uddesa, Laksana and Pariksha
- b) Definition of *buddhi* or *jñāna* (cognition), Two kinds of *buddhi* or *jñāna*, Definition of *smṛti*, Two kinds of *smṛti* (memory), Definition of *anubhava*, The division of *anubhava* into veridical (*yathārtha*) and non-veridical (*ayathārtha*), Three kinds of non-veridical *anubhava*. ( the definitions and kinds are clarified in Tarkasamgraha and Tarkasamgraha Dīpikā Tīkā)
- c) Four-fold division of 'pramā' and 'pramāṇa', Definition of 'karaṇa' (special causal condition) and 'kāraṇa' (general causal condition), the concept of anyathāsiddhi (irrelevance) and its varieties, The definition of 'kārya' (effect), Kinds of cause: smavāyi, a-samavāyi and nimitta kāraṇa (as defined and analysed in Tarkasamgraha and Tarkasamgraha Dīpikā Tīkā)
- d) Definition of *pratyakṣa* (as *pramāṇa* and *jñāna*), Two-fold division of *pratyakṣa jñāna*: nirvikalpaka and savikalpaka. The definition of *pratyakṣa jñāna* as 'nirvikalpaka' and 'savikalpaka, Evidence for the actuality of 'nirvikalpaka' (as defined and analysed in *Tarkasamgraha* and *Tarkasamgraha* Dīpikā Tīkā)
- e) Sannikarṣa and its six varieties, Problem of transmission of sound, the claim of 'anupalabdhi' as a distinctive pramāṇa (as analysed and examined in Tarkasamgraha and Tarkasamgraha Dīpikā Tīkā)
- f) "Upamāna pramāṇa": Definition and analysis. "Śabda pramāṇa": Definition and analysis. "Śakti" (the direct signifying power), the padapadārtha- sambandha considered as Īśvara-samketa, Controversy between the Mīmāṃsakas and the Naiyāyikas regarding the nature of Śakti as universal or particular.

## **Suggested Readings:**

## **English:**

- 1. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Gopinath Bhattacharya
- 2. Tarkasamgraha: M.R. Bodas & Y.V. Athalye (tr. & ed.)
- 3. The Elements of Indian Logic and Epistemology: Chandrodaya Bhattacharya
- 4. A Primer of Indian Logic: Kuppuswami Shastri
- 5. Fundamental Questions of Indian Metaphysics & Logic: S.K. Maitra
- 6. The Nyaya Theory of Knowledge: S.C. Chatterjee

- 7. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Narayan Chandra Goswami
- 8. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Indira Mukhopadhyay
- 9. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Panchanan Shastri
- 10. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Kanailal Poddar

CC-12: Ethics (Indian) Credit 06

C12T: Ethics (Indian) Credit 06

# **Course Contents:**

a) Introduction: Concerns and Presuppositions, Concept of Sthitaprañjna,

- b) Karmayoga: (Gīta) Puruṣārthas and their inter-relations.
- c) Meaning of Dharma, Concept of rna and rta. Classification of Dharma:
- d) Sādhāraṇadharma and Asādharaṇa Dharma, Varṇāśñrama Dharma
- e) Buddhist Ethics: Astangikamārga, Pañcaśīla, Brahmavihārabhāvanā (Bauddha)
- f) Jaina Ethics: anubrata, mahābrata, Ahimsā
- g) Mimāmsā Ethics: nitya karma, naimittika karma and kāmya karma, the concept of himsa and ahimsa
- h) Vidhi and Nisedha; Sreya and Preya

## **Suggested Readings:**

#### **English:**

- 1. The Fundamentals of Hinduism-A Philosophical Study: S.C. Chatterjee
- 2. The Ethics of the Hindus: S.K. Maitra
- 3. An Outline of Hinduism: T.M.P. Mahadevan
- 4. Classical Indian Ethical Thought: K.N. Tewari
- 5. Ethics in the Gita-An Analytical Study (pp-119-145): Rajendra Prasad
- 6. Ethics in the Vedas, Satya Prakash Singh in Historical-Developmental Study of Classical Indian Philosophy, [History of Science, Philosophy and Culture in Indian Civilisation (Vol. XII, Part 2)]: Rajendra Prasad (ed.)
- 7. Rta, Satya, Tattva, Tathya, Samiran Chandra Chakraborty in Philosophical Concepts Relevant to Sciences in Indian Tradition, [History of Science, Philosophyand Culture in Indian Civilisation (Vol. VIII, Part 4)]: P.K. Sen (ed.)
- 8. Development of Moral Philosophy in India; Surama Dasgupta
- 9. Ethical Philosophies of India: I.C. Sharma
- 10. Studies on the Purusarthas: P.K. Mahapatra (ed.)
- 11. A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy: C.D. Sharma
- 12. Indian Philosophy (Vo. I): J.N. Sinha
- 13. Philosophy of Hindu Sadhana: N.K. Brahma

- 1. Nitividya: Mrinal Kanti Bhadra
- 2. Nitividyar Tattvakatha: Somnath Chakraborty
- 3. Nitishastra: Dikshit Gupta
- 4. Nitividya: Sibapada Chakraborty
- 5. Pashchatya Darshaner Itihas (Pratham o dwitiya khanda): S. Radhakrishnan
- 6. Dharma Darshan: A. Bandyopadhyay o K.C. Gupta
- 7. Dharma Darshan: Rabindranath Das
- 8. Dharmadarshanser Katipoy Samasya: Dilip Kumar Mohanto
- 9. Dharma Darshan: Sushil Kumar Chakraborty
- 10. Bharatiya Dharmaniti: Amita Chattopadhyay (Sampadita)
- 11. Bharatiya Darshane Nirishvarvada: B.B. Purakayastha (pp-39-50,56-66)
- 12. Bharatiya Darshaner Drishtite Muktir Swarup: Chandana Das
- 13. Sarvadarshanasamgraha: Satyajyoti Chakraborty (Pratham Khanda)

# **Discipline Specific Elective (DSE)**

DSE-1: Philosophy of Language (Indian)

Credit 06

**DSE1T: Philosophy of Language (Indian)** 

Credit 06

## **Course Contents:**

- a. Definition and classification of pada and padartha
- b. The process of Verbal Understanding (Sābdabodha prakriya)
- c. Padajnana and saktigrahapaya
- d. Causes of Sentential understanding: ākāmkṣa, yogyatā, āsatti, tātparya
- e. Lakṣanā: Definition and classification
- f. Theories of sentential understanding: (Basic concepts)
- i) Spotavāda
- ii) Anvitābhidhānvāda
- iii) Abhihitānvayavāda
- iv) Apohavāda

## **Suggested Readings:**

#### **English:**

- 1. Tarkasamgraha: Annambhatta
- 2. Tarkasamgraha: M.R. Bodas & Y.V. Athalye (tr. &ed.)
- 3. The Elements of Indian Logic and Epistemology: Chandrodaya Bhattacharya
- 4. A Primer of Indian Logic: Kuppuswami Shastri
- 5. Fundamental Questions of Indian Metaphysics & Logic: S.K. Maitra
- 6. The Nyaya Theory of Knowledge: S.C. Chatterjee
- 7. Basic Principles of Indian Philosophy of Language: Piyali Palit

- 1. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Narayan Chandra Goswami
- 2. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Indira Mukhopadhyay
- 3. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Panchanan Shastri
- 4. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Kanailal Podda
- 5. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Dipak Kumar Bagchi
- 6. Takkabhāsā of Keshava Mishra (in Bengali)-Gangadhar Kar Nyayāchārya
- 7. Śabdārthadarśankanikā (in Bengali)- Prabhat Misra
- 8. Ratnakirti on Apoha (by Lingual)-Madhumita Chattopadhyaya

DSE-2: Applied ethics Credit 06

#### **DSE-2: Applied ethics**

Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- a. Nature and scope of applied ethics.
- b. Killing: Suicide, Assisted Suicide, Euthanasia, Animal killing.
- c. Poverty, Affluence and Morality.
- d. Terrorism and Just war
- e. Human Rights—Discrimination on the basis of caste, gender and religion.
- f. The Ethics of Care.
- g. Animal welfare, animal rights and perspectives
- h. Ecological Concern in Indian thoughts: Jaina and Bauddha views.

# **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. Ethics-The Fundamentals: Julia Driver
- 2. Ethics-Theory and Practice: J. Thiroux (Chs II & III)
- 3. Ethics-Theory and Practice: Y.V. Satyanaryana
- 4. Moral Reasons: J. Nuttal
- 5. Moral Reasons: James Rachels
- 6. Philosophical Ethics-An Introduction to Moral Philosophy: T.L. Beauchamp (ed.)
- 7. Elements of Moral Philosophy: James Rachels
- 8. Theories of Rights: J. Waldron (ed.)
- 9. Human Rights: Alan Gewirth
- 10. Identity and Violence: Amartya Sen
- 11. Aspects of Hindu Morality: Saral Jhingram
- 12. Practical Ethics: Peter Singer (Chs V,VII,VIII,X)
- 13. Applied Ethics: Peter Singer (ed.)
- 14. A Companion to Ethics: Peter Singer (Chs 14,19,22)
- 15. A Companion to Bio-Ethics: Peter Singer & H. Kuhse (eds.)
- 16. Human Rights-An Introduction: D.J. O'Byrne
- 17. Man and Nature: G.F. MacLean (ed.)
- 18. Human Rights, Gender and the Environment: Manisha Preya, Krishna Menon, Madhulika Banerjee
- 19. Gender: G. Geetha
- 20. A Short Introduction to Feminist Theory: Rinita Mazumdar
- 21. Feminist Thought: Shefali Moitra
- 22. Justice and Care: Essential Readings in Feminist Ethics: Virginia Held (ed.)

- 23. Nitishastra: Dikshit Gupta
- 24. Vyavaharik Nitivijnan: N. Nandy & M. Bal
- 25. Nitividya: Sanjib Ghosh
- 26. Nitividyar Tattvakatha: Somnath Chakraborty
- 27. Tattvagata Nitividya o Vyavaharik Nitividya: Samarendra Bhattacharya
- 28. Vyavaharik Nitividya-Peter Singer: Pardip Kumar Roy (tr.)
- 29. Prayogik Nitividya: A.S.M. Abdul Khalek
- 30. Nitibidya- Shibapada Chakraborty
- 31. Falita Nitisastra Santosh Kumar Pal
- 32. Kathay Karme Ethics Somnath Chakraborty

**DSE-2: Philosophy of Language (Western)** 

Credit 06

DSE-2: Philosophy of Language (Western)

Credit 06

## **Course Contents:**

- a) Syntax, Semantics, Pragmatics.
- b) Word-meaning, Definitions.
- c) Vagueness.
- d) Sentence-meaning.
- e) Testability and Meaning.

## **Suggested Readings:**

## **English:**

- 1. The Philosophy of Language : A.P. Martinich (ed.)
- 2. An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis—John Hospers
- 3. The Problem of Knowledge: A.J. Ayer
- 4. Language, Truth and Logic: A.J. Ayer
- 5. Readings in Philosophical Analysis: J. Hospers
- 6. The Central Questions of Philosophy: A.J. Ayer
- 7. Theory of Knowledge: A.J. Woozley
- 8. An Introduction to Philosophy: Shibapada Chakraborty

- 9. Darshanik Jijnasa (Bagarthatattva): Ramaprasad Das
- 10. Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva-Jnaner Svarup): Ramaprasad Das
- 11. Darshanik Jijnasa (Jnanatattva): Ramaprasad Das
- 12. Darshanik Jijnasa (Paratattva o Bhauto Jagater Jnana): Ramaprasad Das
- 13. Darshanik Bishlesaner Ruparekha (Pratham O dvitiya khanda): Samarikanta Samanta
- 14. Paschatya darshaner Ruparekha: Ramaprasad Das o Shibapada Chakraborty

# **Vidyasagar University**

Curriculum for B.A (Honours) in Philosophy [Revised Syllabus w.e.f. 2022-23]

# **SEMESTER-VI**

# Course Structure

Course	Course	Name of the Subjects	Course	Teaching			Credit	Marks
	Code		Type/	Scheme in				
			Nature	hour	per v	veek		
				L	T	P		
CC13		C13T: Nyāya Logic	Core Course-13	5	1	0	6	75
CC14		C14T Ethics (Western)	Core Course-14	5	1	0	6	75
DSE-3		DSE-3A: An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding - D. Hume Or DSE-3B: Kathopanisad – Samkara Bhāṣya	Discipline Specific Elective-3	5	1	0	6	75
DSE-4		DSE-4A: Swami Vivekananda Or DSE-4B: M.K. Gandhi	Discipline Specific Elective-4	5	1	0	6	75
		Semester Total					24	300

CC = Core Course, AECC = Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course, GE = Generic Elective, SEC = Skill Enhancement Course, DSE = Discipline Specific Elective, CA= Continuous Assessment, ESE= End Semester Examination, L = Lecture, T = Tutorial, P = Practical, P = Modern Indian Language

# **Semester-VI**

## Core Course (CC)

CC-13: Nyāya Logic Credit 06

C13T: Nyāya Logic Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- a) Definiton of anumāna, anumiti and parāmarśa. Analysis of pakṣatā. Definition of vyāpti, Vyāptigraha.
- b) Definition of pakṣadharmatā—svārthānumiti and parārthānumiti; Analysis of pañcāvayavī Nyāya. Necessity of parāmarśa. Three kinds of lińga or hetu: kevalānvayī, kevalavyātirekī and anvayavyātirekī. Definiton of pakṣa, Sapakṣa and vipakṣa with illustrations. Marks of sadhetu.
- c) Hetvābhāsa-two types of definition. Five kinds of hetvābhāsa:
  - (1) "Savyābhicāra" and its three kinds-defined and illustrated;
  - (2) "Viruddha" defined and illustrated:
  - (3) "Satpratipakşa" defined and illustrated;
  - (4) Three kinds of "Asiddha" enumerated;
    - (a) āśrayāsiddha
    - (b) svarūpāsiddha and
    - (c) vyāpyatvāsiddha. Vyāpyatvāsiddha defined as"sopādhika hetu". Upādhi and its four kinds (definition and illustration)
  - (5) "Bādhita" (definition and illustration).

#### **Suggested Readings:**

# **English:**

- 1. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Gopinath Bhattacharya
- 2. Tarkasamgraha: M.R. Bodas & Y.V. Athalye (tr. & ed.)
- 3. The Elements of Indian Logic and Epistemology: Chanrodaya Bhattacharya
- 4. A Primer of Indian Logic: Kuppuswami Shastri
- 5. Fundamental Questions of Indian Metaphysics & Logic: S.K. Maitra
- 6. The Nyaya Theory of Knowledge: S.C. Chatterjee

- 7. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Narayan Chandra Goswami
- 8. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Indira Mukhopadhyay
- 9. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Panchanan Shastri
- 10. Tarkasamgraha with Dipika: Kanailal Poddar

**CC-14: Ethics (Western)** 

Credit 06

C14T: Ethics (Western)

Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- a) Nature and Scope of Ethics, (i) Normative Ethics (ii) Meta Ethics, (iii) Applied Ethics.
- b) Moral and Non-moral actions, Object of Moral Judgement Motive and Intention
- c) Virtue Ethics: Aristotle
- d) Standards of Morality: Hedonism Ethical Egoism, Utilitarianism: Act utilitarianism, Rule utilitarianism. Mill's Theory, Deontological Theories: Act Deontology, Rule-Deontology, Kant's Moral Theory.
- e) Theories of Punishment, Capital Punishment
- f) Environmental Ethics: Definitions and concerns, Anthropocentrism and Non anthropocentrism.

# **Suggested Readings:**

## **English:**

- 1. History of Philosophy-Eastern and Western: (Vol. I & II): S. Radhakrishnan
- 2. Principles of Ethics: P.B. Chatterjee
- 3. A Manual of Ethics: J.S. Mackenzie
- 4. Ethics: W. Frankena
- 5. An Introduction to Ethics: W. Lillie
- 6. Ethics-Theory and Practice: J. Thiroux (Chs II & III)
- 7. Ethics-Theory and Practice: Y.V. Satyanaryana
- 8. Moral Reasons: J. Nuttal
- 9. Human Conduct: J. Hospers
- 10. Ethics-The Fundamentals: Julia Driver
- 11. An Introduction to Kant's Ethics: R. Sullivan
- 12. Nicomachean Ethics: Aristotle
- 13. Philosophical Ethics-An Introduction to Moral Philosophy: T.L. Beauchamp (ed.)
- 14. Virtue Ethics: Rosalind Hursthouse (Ch. III)
- 15. Karma, Causation and Retributive Morality: Rajendra Prasad

- 1. Nitividya: Mrinal Kanti Bhadra
- 2. Nitividyar Tattvakatha: Somnath Chakraborty
- 3. Nitishastra: Dikshit Gupta
- 4. Nitividya: Samarendra Bhattacharya
- 5. Nitividya: Sibapada Chakraborty
- 6. Pashchatya Darshaner Itihas (Pratham o dwitiya khanda): S. Radhakrishnan
- 7. Dharma Darshan: A. Bandyopadhyay o K.C. Gupta
- 8. Dharma Darshan: Rabindranath Das
- 9. Dharmadarshanser Katipoy Samasya: Dilip Kumar Mohanto
- 10. Dharma Darshan: Sushil Kumar Chakraborty
- 11. Bharatiya Dharmaniti: Amita Chattopadhyay (Sampadita)
- 12. Bharatiya Darshane Nirishvarvada: B.B. Purakayastha
- 13. Bharatiya Darshaner Drishtite Muktir Swarup: Chandana Das
- 14. Sarvadarshanasamgraha: Satyajyoti Chakraborty (Pratham Khanda)
- 15. Islami Darshan: Hasan Ayub

- 16. Quran Sharif: Maulana Mobarak Qarim Zahar (Anudita)
- 17. Quran Sharif: Osman Ghani (Anubad O bhasya)
- 18. Islamer Chinta o Chetanar Kramabikash (dasham Khanda): Osman Gani
- 19. Pabitra Bible (Puratn o Natun Niyam): Bharater Bible Society
- 20. Bauddhadharmer Itihas: Mani Kuntala Halder
- 21. Bauddhadharma o Darshan: Sukomal Chowdhury

#### **Discipline Specific Elective (DSE)**

**DSE-3: Text Reading** (Any one text from following)

Credit 06

DSE-3A T: An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding - D. Hume

Credit 06

## **Course Contents:**

Chapter 1 – 8 from Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding by David Hume

# **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding-D. Hume: J.N. Mohanty (intr.)
- 2. The Philosophy of David Hume: Pabitra Kumar Roy
- 3. The Philosophy of David Hume: N.K. Smith
- 4. Hume's Theory of Causality: Tapan Kumar Chakraborty
- 5. Hume: V.C. Chappell (ed.)
- 6. Hume-er Enquiry-Ekti Upasthapana: Ramaprasad Das
- 7. Hume -er Darshan Prahlad Kumar Sarkar (Ed.)

Or

# DSE-3B T: Kathopanişad with Śamkarabhāşya

Credit 06

#### **Course Contents:**

Kathopanişad: Samkarabhāşya - Upto the end of third vallī of the first

## **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. *Kāṭhakopaniṣada*: Brahmachari Medhachaitanya (Trans. & Ed.)
- 2. Kaṭha Upaniṣad: Swami Lokeswarananda (Trans. & Ed.)
- 3. Kathopanişad: Dr. Sitanath Goswami (Trans. & Ed.)
- 4. Kathopanişad: Swami Bhutesananda (Trans. & Ed.)
- 5. Kaṭhopaniṣad: Swami Justhananda (Trans. & Ed.)

DSE-4: Credit 06

(Any one from the following philosophical systems of contemporary Indian thought)

## DSE-4A T: Swami Vivekananda

Credits 06

#### **Course Contents:**

- a) Real nature of man.
- b) Concept of Practical Vedanta.
- c) Nature of Religion.
- d) Ideal of Universal Religion.

#### **Suggested Readings:**

# **English:**

- 1. Contemporary Indian Philosophy: T.M.P. Mahadevan & G.V. Saroja
- 2. Contemporary Indian Philosophy: Basant Kumar Lal
- 3. Contemporary Indian Philosophy: Binoy Gopal Roy
- 4. Practical Vedanta (Vol.II,pp-291-358): Swami Vivekananda
- 5. Swami Vivekananda as a Philosopher: J.L. Shaw
- 6. The Philosophy of Swami Vivekananda: Pradip Kumar Sengupta
- 7. The Complete Works of Swami Vivekananda (Vol.I,pp-333-343 & II,pp-70-87,375-396): Mayavati Memorial Edition
- 8. The Philosophy of Vivekananda: Govinda Dev

## Bengali:

- 9. Bingsha Shatabdir Bharatiya Darshan Nikhilesh Bandopadhyay
- 10. Bingsha Shatabdite Bharatiya Darshan Charcha Ed. Nirmalya Narayan Chakrabarty

#### DSE-4B T: M. K. Gandhi Credit 06

## **Course Contents:**

- a) God and Truth
- b) Nature of Man
- c) Non-Violence
- d) Satyāgraha
- e) Swaraj
- f) Theory of Trusteeship

# **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. Contemporary Indian Philosophy: T.M.P. Mahadevan & G.V. Saroja
- 2. Contemporary Indian Philosophy: Basant Kumar Lal
- 3. Contemporary Indian Philosophy: Binoy Gopal Roy
- 4. Hind Swaraj: M.K. Gandhi
- 5. Trusteeship; M.K. Gandhi
- 6. Selections from Gandhi: N.K. Bose

- 7. Contemporary Indian Philosophy: S,Radhakrishnan& J.H. Murihead (eds.)
- 8. The Evolution of Political Philosophy of Gandhi: Buddhadeb Bhattacharya
- 9. Social and Political Thought of Gandhi: Jayantanuja Bandyopadhyay
- 10. The Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi: D.M. Dutta
- 11. The Philosophy of Sarvodaya: K.S. Bharathi
- 12. Gandhi's Political Philosophy: Bhikhu Parekh
- 13. Sarvodaya Andoloner Itihas: Gurudas Bandyopadhyay
- 14. Gandhi Parikrama: Sailesh Kumar Bandyopadhyay
- 15. Gandhi Rachanasambhar: M.K. Gandhi

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