

M. A. (PHILOSOPHY) (MAPY)

Term-End Examination

December, 2024

**MPYE–004 : PHILOSOPHY OF HUMAN
PERSON**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : (i) *Answer all the **five** questions.*

(ii) *All questions carry equal marks.*

(iii) *Answers to Question Nos. 1 and 2 should
be in about **500** words each.*

1. Explain the significance of the Mahavakya
“That thou art” Tat Tvam Asi with reference to
Advaita Vedanta’s view of self and
consciousness. How is this Mahavakya related
to life after death ?

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Or

What is the relevance of Philosophy of Human Person in our contemporary context ?

2. Are human being really free ? Give your critical reflection for and against this view. What are the consequences of these positions ? Which position do you personally hold ? 20

Or

Can only human being love ? What is love ? How is it different from affection or attachment ? How does love make human beings unique ?

3. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **250** words each : 10 each
- (a) Explain Maslow's hierarchy of needs and its relevance for contemporary persons.

(b) Relation diversity and survival in general.

(c) How is praising or blaming a person related to freedom ?

(d) How is the theory of reincarnation related to Samsara and Nirvana ?

4. Answer any ***four*** of the following questions in about **150** words each : 5 each

(a) Present a brief exposition of the Epicurean idea of pleasure as a general goal of life.

(b) Present a brief account of Chaos theory.

- (c) How is the theory of reincarnation related to the Indian concept of Samsara (flux) ?
- (d) What are some of the human qualities which are totally different from animals ?
- (e) How do you understand love as self-abandonment ?
- (f) How are intellect and will related to one another ?
5. Write short notes on any ***five*** of the following
un about **100** words each : 4 each
- (a) “Eat, drink and be merry” school
- (b) ‘Self’ and ‘Centre of Gravity’
- (c) Nyaya view of self

- (d) Definition of human freedom
- (e) Purushartha
- (f) Self-actualisation
- (g) Human will
- (h) Argument for human soul from total reflection

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