

M. A. IN PHILOSOPHY (MAPY)

Term-End Examination

December, 2024

MPYE-006 : DALIT PHILOSOPHY

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Answer all the five questions. All questions carry equal marks. Answer to question nos. 1 and 2 should be in about 500 words each.

1. Critically evaluate the impact of recent developments in science and technology and liberal global economy on the life and growth of the Dalits in India. 20

Or

Examine the Dalit religiosity as against the religious perspectives of the world religions. 20

2. Explain the Dalit world-view and examine the possibility of philosophizing from Dalit perspectives. 20

Or

Critically analyse the philosophy and praxes proposed by Dr. B. R. Ambedkar for the liberation of the Dalits. 20

3. Answer any two of the following questions in about 250 words each :

- (a) Can we consider some of the ancient dramatic thinkers as Dalit thinkers ? Substantiate your claim. 10
- (b) Examine the human values and moral outlook of Dalits to identify their unique features. 10
- (c) Explain Dalit eschatology. Why do some thinkers consider Dalit eschatology as an antithesis to eschatology itself ? 10
- (d) Discover the rich traditions of Dalit folklore and their communitarian roles. 10

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4. Answer any *four* of the following questions in about **150** words each : 4×5=20

(a) How are the Dalits dehumanized through exclusion ? 5

(b) Describe the Dalit perspective on the problem of evil. 5

(c) Explain Dalit approach to Islam and Christianity. 5

(d) Identify the practices that aim at the marginalisation of the Dalits. 5

(e) Enunciate the radical bhakti teachings of saints of Medieval India. 5

(f) Explain the philosophy of Lyothee Thass. 5

5. Write short notes on any *five* of the following in about **100** words each : 5×4=20

(a) Marginalisation of Dalits

(b) Dravidian rationalism

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(c) Subaltern independence

(d) Dalit understanding of body

(e) Dalit rituals

(f) Manu Smriti

(g) The dance of defiance

(h) SC/ST prevention of Atrocities Act