

**M. A. IN PHILOSOPHY (MAPY)**

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2025**

**MPYE-010 : PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION**

*Time : 3 Hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

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

(ii) *All questions carry equal marks.*

(iii) *Answer to question nos. 1 and 2  
should be in about **500** words each.*

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1. Discuss in detail the idea of religious experience. 20

*Or*

What is materialism ? Draw a comparison between the English school and the French school of materialism.

2. What are the proofs given by Aquinas for the existence of God ? Discuss in detail. 20

*Or*

Discuss in detail the *three* modes of understanding religious language.

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

(a) Evaluate the free will argument given in favour of the concept of evil. 10

(b) Discuss briefly the Buddhist idea of liberation. 10

(c) What are the socio-cultural roots of modern atheism ? Explain briefly. 10

(d) Write a note on the salient features of mystical experience. 10

4. Answer any *four* of the following questions in about **200** words each :

(a) Compare Augustine's and John Hick's theodicy. 5

(b) What is the significance of language game theory in understanding religious language ? 5

- (c) Differentiate between philosophy of religion and theology. 5
  - (d) Differentiate between pantheism and panentheism. 5
  - (e) Discuss briefly dialectic materialism. 5
  - (f) What are the philosophical implications of the idea of rituals ? 5
5. Write short notes on any *five* of the following in about **100** words each :
- (a) Cosmological argument of Anselm 4
  - (b) Numinous 4
  - (c) Kalam argument 4
  - (d) Unmoved mover 4
  - (e) Neurotheology 4
  - (f) Liturgy 4
  - (g) Suleh-kul 4
  - (h) Deism 4

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