

PHILOSOPHY
(Paper II)

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 300

QUESTION PAPER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

(Please read each of the following instructions carefully before attempting questions)

There are EIGHT questions divided in two Sections.

Candidate has to attempt FIVE questions in all.

Question Nos. 1 and 5 are compulsory and out of the remaining, any THREE are to be attempted choosing at least ONE question from each Section.

The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.

Wherever any assumptions are made for answering a question, they must be clearly indicated.

Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.

SECTION 'A'

1. Write critical notes on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each: **20×3=60**
- (a) The concept of equality as a political ideal
- (b) Mahatma Gandhi on sarvadharmasambhava
- (c) Gender-equality: meaning and need
- (d) Role of scientific temper in a good life
2. Do you think that Democracy is the best form of government? Is there any scope of 'Beyond Democracy'? In this context analyze the notion of 'Meritocracy'. **60**
3. What is meant by justice? What are the necessary and sufficient conditions for its availability? Discuss. **60**
4. Evaluate M. N. Roy's Humanism as a response to Marxism. **60**

SECTION 'B'

5. Write critical notes on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each: **20×3=60**
- (a) Ontological proof for the existence of God
- (b) Advaita Vedanta theory of jivanmukti
- (c) Impersonalistic conception of God
- (d) Religion without God
6. Point out the relative importance of reason and revelation in religion. Are the two compatible? Discuss. **60**
7. 'Religion without morality is empty and morality without religion is blind'. Do you agree with this contention? Give reasons in support of your view. **60**
8. What is meant by immortality of soul? Analyze the arguments of the Bhagavad-Gita in this regard. **60**