

2022

M.A.

4th Semester Examination

PHILOSOPHY

PAPER—PHI-405

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

PHI-405A APPLIED PHILOSOPHY-II (AP)

Answer any *four* questions.

4×2

1. Briefly distinguish between suicide, murder and euthanasia.

(Turn Over)

2. What do you understand by "Kyoto Protocol" ?
3. What is the anthropocentric view in environmental ethics ?
4. What is bioethics ?
5. What is "Gene Therapy" ?
6. What is organ transplantation ?

Answer any *four* questions.

4×4

7. What is the differences between *active* and *passive* euthanasia ? Explain with examples.
8. State any two debates of environmental ethics.
9. Write a short note on the "Silent Spring".
10. Distinguish between somatic and Germline gene therapy.

11. Briefly explain how organ transplantation is a mark of progress in Medical Science.
12. How does germline gene therapy effect personal identity?

Answer any *two* questions. 2×8

13. Do you agree with non-voluntary euthanasia? Justify your answer with suitable arguments.
14. Discuss the main contention of Ecocentrism with special reference to Aldo Leopold.
15. Critically explain the ethical issues with regard to organ transplantation.
16. Explain the arguments offered against Germline gene therapy.

PHI-405B**PHILOSOPHY OF COGNITIVE SCIENCE -II(PCS)**

Answer any *four* questions. 4×2

1. What are basic symbols ?
2. Mention any one argument which could be raised against CTM.
3. What is the aim of strong AI theory ?
4. What are programs ?
5. What is a peripheral device of a computer ?
6. What is the control unit of a computer ?

Answer any *four* questions. 4×4

7. Describe the three main parts of a 'Turing Machine'.
8. How does CTM justify the multiple realizability of mental states ?

9. Briefly discuss any one kind of AI theory.
10. Briefly explain what you understand by 'connectionism'.
11. Briefly state any two arguments of Patricia Churchland against the idea that there can be a "soul stuff" which explain consciousness.
12. What are the differences between hardware and software?

Answer any *two* questions.

2×8

13. Write a short note on syntactic and semantic properties of symbols.
14. Explain an argument against AI theory.
15. What is neurophilosophy? Explain the tenets of neurophilosophy.

4+4

16. What conclusion can be derived from the 'split brain studies'? Do you think that this kind of study is successful in undermining the central tenets of mind-body dualism? 5+3
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