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M.A.

3rd Semester Examination

PHILOSOPHY

PAPER-PHI-301

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

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

(Indian Philosophy of Language)

UNIT-I

Answer any one question from Group—A and any one question from Group—B.

Group-A

- 1. (a) What is śakti?
 - (b) How the Naiyāikas refute jātišaktivāda?
 - (c) What is the Naiyāikas own position regarding the sakya of word?

 3+7+6
- (a) Critically analyse the nyāya concept Jogyatā of as an essential cause of sentence meaning.

(Turn Over)

Group-B

- State clearly the notion of vyakarana as a means of knowing the primary meaning of śakti of a word.
- Write a short note on any one of the following: 4
 (a) Evolution of sphota.
 - (b) Abhihitanyavada.

UNIT-II

(Western Philosophy of Language)

Answer any one question from Group-A and any one question from Group-B.

Group-A

- 5. Explain the following statements after Wittgenstein.
 - (a) A state of affairs (a state of things) is a combination of objects (things) (After TLP). 10+6
 - (b) Augustine does not speak of there being any difference between kinds of word. (After PI).
- 6. (a) Distinguish among the following phrases:
 - (i) everything; (ii) nothing; (iii) something.
 - (b) Why does Russell think that Meinong's theory violates the law of contradiction in respect of description? 6+10

Group-B

- 7. What is speech act? Briefly discuss after Austin. 4
- 8. Is the sentence "The king of France is bald" is nonsense?
 Discuss after Russell.