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**2018**

**M.A. 4th Semester Examination**

**PHILOSOPHY**

**PAPER—PHI-402**

*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.*

**( Western Ethics )**

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

**Unit-I**

**Group-A**

1. Elaborate in brief, Kant's notion of universal Law and Willing. 8+8
2. Explain the nature of moral conflicts according to Stevenson's Emotivism. Compare Ayer's view in this regard. 12+4

*(Turn Over)*

**Group-B**

3. Briefly explain Kant's account of maxims with examples. 4
4. What does Stevenson mean by emotive meaning of an ethical term? 4

**Unit-II**

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

**Group-A**

5. (a) Explain the significance of the concept of well-ordered society following Rawls.
- (b) Why does Rawls say that the basic structure of society is the primary subject of justice? Discuss. 8+8
6. (a) Define utilitarianism after Mill.
- (b) Discuss the differences between common sense view and utilitarian view with special reference to Desert Island Promise. 4+12

**Group-B**

7. In justice as fairness the original position of equality corresponds to the state of nature in the traditional theory of social contract. — Explain following Rawls. 4
8. Write any two arguments against the application of utilitarianism. 4