

2019

M.A.

2nd Semester Examination

PHILOSOPHY

PAPER – PHI-204

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.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

1. Answer any four questions out of the following : (2 X 4)

- i) Distinguish between Sādhyā bhakti and Sādhna bhakti . 2
- ii) Define pramā according to Rabindranath . 2
- iii) What does Gandhi assert by the statement 'Truth is God'? 2
- iv) What are the two aspects of the word 'Ahimsā' according to Gandhi ? 2
- v) What are the four noble truths of Buddhist Philosophy ? 2
- vi) What is the meaning of the term "*attadīpa*" in the philosophy of Buddha ? 2
- vii) Why , according to Vivekananda , the absolute has been described as indeterminate ? 2
- viii) Why , according to Vivekananda , the real nature of man is freedom ? 2

2. Answer any four questions out of the following : (4 X 4)

- i) Explain the nature of joy. 4
- ii) Explain some of the main characteristics of Love according to Tagore. 4
- iii) Why does Gandhi feel that man is a complex being ? 4
- iv) How the Law of Karma is related to the concept of Rebirth in Gandhian Philosophy ? 4
- v) Write a short note on Buddhist concept of dependent origination (*Pratityasamutpāda*). 4
- vi) Briefly explain how Buddha's concept of non-violence is deeply associated with his concept of Peace . 4
- vii) Enumerate any two proofs for God's existence as they have been conceived by Vivekananda. 4
- viii) Describe Vivekananda's conception of Reality and God, according to B.K. Lal . 4

Answer any two questions out of the following :

(2 X 8)

3. i) Explain the seven stages of Bhakti or Priti , following Rabindranath. 8
- ii) State , after Vivekananda , the nature of Man. 8
- iii) Write an essay on the concept of peace in Buddhist world view, after the article, "Buddhism and its Message of Peace." 8
- iv) State the proofs for the existence of God after Gandhi. 8