

2014

M.A.

2nd Semester Examination

PHILOSOPHY

PAPER—PHI-202

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.

Answer any *two* questions from Group—A
and *one* question from Group—B.

Group—A

Answer any *two* of the following.

1. Discuss the concept of *dharma* in Indian (Hindu) ethics. 16
2. Explain, following Jainism, the *pañca - mahāvrata* and the *pañca - anuvrata* for the attainment of *samyak caritra*. 16
3. Explain the ethics of *niskāma Karma* as depicted in the *Bhagavadgītā*. 16
4. Explain in detail the Buddhist theory of *pancaśīla*. 16

(Turn Over)

Group—B

Answer any *one* of the following.

5. Explain the concept of *sādhāraṇa dharma* after Prāśastapāda 8
6. Answer, in short, any *four* of the following : 2×4
- (a) Under what conditions killing or injury to life can be regarded as act of violence, according to Gandhi ?
- (b) What is the positive aspect of *ahimsā* according to Gandhi ?
- (c) Why is it a firm conviction of Gandhi that *ahimsā* can be practised universally ?
- (d) What is *maitrī* ?
- (e) What is *Karuṇā* ?
- (f) Mention one difference between traditional ethics and Gandhian ethics.
7. Explain the Jaina ethical concepts of *āsrava*, *bandha*, *samvara* and *nirjarā*. 8