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M.A.

3rd Semester Examination

PHILOSOPHY

PAPER—PHI-304

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.

(Applied Philosophy)

UNIT-I

Group—A

Answer any one question :

1. (a) What according to John Rawls, is the basis of human equality?
(b) How does Peter Singer criticise the view of John Rawls? Discuss. 8+8
2. Explain elaborately the view that the wrongness of rape goes beyond its criminality with special reference to Pamela Foa. 16

(Turn Over)

Group—B

Answer any *one* question :

3. Explain the meaning of the principle of equal consideration of interests with a suitable example. 4
4. What are the special burdens that the victim of a rape carries unto her death? 4

Unit-II**Group—A**

Answer any *one* question :

5. Truth telling must be mentioned as a moral principle for the journalists in the public interest. Explain the opinion with reference to the reporting of the Holy Koran Case at Guantanamo Bay. 16
6. Discuss Critically J.S. Mill's argument for Capital Punishment.

Group—B

Answer any *one* question : 16

7. State any three truth telling imperatives following Dale Jacquette. 4
8. Explain briefly Kant's argument of Capital Punishment. 4

(Philosophy of Cognitive Science)**UNIT-I****Group—A**

Answer any *one* question :

1. How does the individual state of mind represent anything?
Answer after Crane. 16
2. (a) What kinds of symbols are called thoughts, according to the computational theory of mind? and why?
6+10
(b) State reasons in favour of the claim that these types of thoughts have both syntactic and semantic properties.

Group—B

Answer any *one* question :

3. Mention the most important differences among the five contributing disciplines of cognitive science. 4
4. What sorts of things can be objects of representation? 4

UNIT-I**Group—A**

Answer any *one* question :

5. (a) Discuss any two main reasons of attraction of Artificial Intelligence Theory. 6+10

(b) Explain briefly 'The No Free will objection' against Artificial Intelligence Theory.

6. Explain briefly the nature of cognitive architecture.

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Group—B

Answer any one question :

7. Distinguish between weak psychological and strong psychological Artificial Intelligence Theory. 4

8. What is the particular method of investigation contributed by cognitive psychology to cognitive science? 4