M.A. 2nd Semester Examination, 2015 PHILOSOPHY

PAPER-PHI-204

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

[NEW SYLLABUS]

UNIT - I

GROUP-A

Answer any one question

1. Discuss, after D.W. Hamlyn, the two main conceptions of metaphysics. 16

(Turn Over)

2. Explain the metaphysical realist's account of attribute agreement in terms of shared or common entities.

GROUP-B

Answer any one question.

- 3. Explain Hamlyn's analysis of Kant's characterization of metaphysics.
- 4. Write a note on the referential force of a predicate.

UNIT - II

GROUP-A

Answer any one question

5. Do you think that the laws of nature is nothing but a merely de-facto connection between certain changes and states. Answer with examples following Richard Taylor.

Explain the bare substratum theorist's account of the familiar concrete particulars.

- 6. (a) What, according to Richard Taylor, are the three possibilities regarding the relation between mind or self and body?
 - (b) Discuss the materialistic view of personal identity?
 - (c) What is Taylor's view about personal identity? 4+8+4

GROUP-B

Answer any one question

- 7. Discuss any two problems related to personal identity.
- 8. Briefly discuss, after Richard Taylor, the view that characterizes causes as necessary and sufficient conditions.