

M.A. 1st Semester Examination, 2023

PHILOSOPHY

(*Indian Epistemology*)

PAPER — PHI-103

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 hours

Answer **all** questions

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks

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

GROUP—A

Answer any *two* of the following : 10 × 2

1. What is meant by the term 'svataḥ-prāmānya' ? Discuss the theory of svataḥ-prāmānya after *Mīmāṃsā* philosophy.

2. Critically evaluate Nyāya definition of *apramā* following *Bhāṣāpariccheda*.
3. State and explain Bauddha definition of *pratyakṣa* following *Nyāyabindu*.
4. Write an essay on Advaita theory of *anirvacaniyakhyāti*.

GROUP—B

Answer any *four* questions from the following :

5. What is meant by the term *samyak jñāna* in Dharmakīrti's *Nyāyabindu* ? 5 × 4
6. Explain the definition of Ācārya Gaṅgeśa—
“*Jñānākaraṇakam jñānam pratksyam*”.
7. Write a short note on Nyāya concept of *karāṇa*.
8. Write short notes on *anyathākhyāti* and *viparītākhyāti*. $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2$

9. Briefly discuss the theory of *sarvaśūnyatāvāda* as a type of *asatkhyātivāda*.
10. Discuss the arguments in favour of *nirvikalpaka jñāna* following *Bhāsāpariccheda*.

[Internal Assessment — 10 Marks]
