

2025

M.A. 3rd Semester Examination

PHILOSOPHY

Paper : PHI - 301

(Philosophy of Language : Indian and Western)

Full Marks : 50

Time : Two Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

Group - A

Answer any *two* questions : 10×2=20

1. Explain the theory of *anvitābhidhānavāda*.
2. Define *āsatti*. Discuss whether *āsatti* is an inevitable cause of sentence meaning. 2+8
3. Critically examine Wittgenstein's notion of 'language games' with reference to the role of context and use in determining meaning. In what ways does this concept challenge traditional theories of meaning? 7+3
4. Define and distinguish between locutionary, illocutionary, and perlocutionary acts in Austin's Speech Act Theory. 4+6

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Group - B

Answer any *four* questions : 5×4=20

5. How does Jainism establish the concept of *ākṛtiśaktivāda*?
6. Write a short note on Prābhākara's theory of *āśraya* (*Jātiśaktivāda*) of *śakti*.
7. What is *ānupurvī* ? State the *ānupurvī* of the sentence 'Ghatam'. 2+3
8. What role do *facts* play in Wittgenstein's Picture Theory of Meaning?
9. What does Frege mean by the 'sense' (*Sinn*) of an expression, and how does it differ from its 'reference' (*Bedeutung*)? Illustrate with an example.
10. How does Russell distinguish between an ordinary proper name and a logical proper name? Briefly explain.

Internal Assessment : 10 marks
