

**CSM – 56/16**

**Philosophy**

**Paper – I**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Full Marks : 300*

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.*

*Candidates should attempt Q. No. 1 from Section – A and Q. No. 5 from Section – B which are compulsory and **three** of the remaining questions, selecting at least **one** from each Section.*

**SECTION – A**

1. Write short notes on any **three** of the following in about **200** words each : 20×3 = 60
  - (a) Bring out the salient features of Plato's Ideas.
  - (b) Highlight Spinoza's views on substance.
  - (c) Give a brief exposition of Berkeley's immaterialism.
  - (d) Explain Hegel's dialectical method.
  
2. Critically examine causation of Aristotle and Hume. 60

3. How did Kant reconcile rationalism with empiricism ? Discuss. 60
4. Explain the central doctrines of Sartre's existentialism. 60

### SECTION – B

5. Write short notes on any **three** of the following in about **200** words each : 20×3 = 60
- (a) Give a brief exposition of Jaina theory of reality.
- (b) Highlight the salient features of Buddhist kṣṇikavāda.
- (c) How is *Prakṛti* distinguished from Puruṣa in Sāṅkhya ?
- (d) Explain the Advaitic conception of *māyā*.
6. Discuss Mīmāṃsā theory of knowledge and error. 60
7. Explain Vaiśeṣika categories. 60
8. Explain the views of Śāṅkara and Rāmānuja on the nature of Brahman. 60

