

CSM – 56/18

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) Explain Plato's theory of ideas.
 - (b) Give a brief account of Descarte's conception of God.

- (c) What are the salient features of Leibnitz monads ?
- (d) Explain Hume's notion of self.
2. Critically examine Aristotle's theory of causation. 60
3. Bring out the salient features of Hegel's absolute idealism. 60
4. What is metaphysics ? Could logical positivist eliminate metaphysics from the sphere of philosophy by introducing the principle of verification ? Discuss. 60

SECTION – B

5. Write short notes on any three of the following in about 200 words each : $20 \times 3 = 60$
- (a) What are the salient features of Cārvāka materialism ?
- (b) Explain the concept of nirvāna in Buddhism.
- (c) What are the characteristic features of the Puruṣa of Sāṅkhya ?
- (d) Discuss Mīmāṃsā theory of error.

6. Give a detailed account of the *saptabhāṅgī naya* of Jainism. 60
7. Discuss Nyāya theory of perception. 60
8. Compare and contrast the notions of Brahman and Ātman in Advaita and Viśiṣṭādvaita. 60



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