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UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL
B.A. Honours 2nd Semester Examination, 2022

CC3-PHILOSOPHY

WESTERN PHILOSOPHY-I

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

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All symbols are of usual significance.*

SECTION-I

1. Answer any **four** of the following: 3×4 = 12
- (a) What are the three charges filed against Socrates? 3
 - (b) How does Plato refute the view that knowledge is opinion? 3
 - (c) What does Aristotle mean by potentiality and actuality? 3
 - (d) “I think therefore I am” — Who said this and why? 3
 - (e) “God = Substance = Nature” — Who said this and why? 1+2 = 3
 - (f) What, according to Leibnitz, is pre-established harmony? 3

SECTION-II

2. Answer any **four** of the following: 6×4 = 24
- (a) Explain Spinoza’s concept of “Intellectual love of God”. 6
 - (b) How does Plato distinguish between opinion and knowledge? Explain why knowledge is not perception. 3+3 = 6
 - (c) “All knowledge is knowledge through concepts” — Explain this statement following Socrates. 6
 - (d) How does Descartes arrive at his principle of — “Cogito ergo sum”? 6
 - (e) Explain the doctrine of form and matter according to Aristotle. 6
 - (f) Explain briefly Leibnitz’s doctrine of monads. 6

SECTION-III

3. Answer any **two** of the following: 12×2 = 24
- (a) “Virtue is knowledge” — Explain this statement following Socrates. 12
 - (b) Explain Aristotle’s doctrine of potentiality and actuality. Does this distinction follow from the distinction between form and matter? 6+6 = 12
 - (c) What do you mean by truths of fact and truths of reason according to Leibnitz? What are the differences between them? 6+6 = 12
 - (d) Explain Spinoza’s doctrine of substance. 12

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CC4-PHILOSOPHY

ETHICS

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SECTION-I

1. Answer any **four** of the following: 3×4 = 12
- (a) Give the definition of ethics following William Lillie. 3
- (b) Define moral action. Give an example. 2+1 = 3
- (c) Distinguish between motive and intention. 3
- (d) What is good will according to Kant? 3
- (e) Define utilitarianism according to Bentham. 3
- (f) Define reformatory theory of punishment. 3

SECTION-II

2. Answer any **four** of the following: 6×4 = 24
- (a) Discuss the scope of ethics. 6
- (b) Explain freedom of will as a postulate of morality. 6
- (c) Distinguish between moral and non-moral actions. 6
- (d) Explain and examine retributive theory of punishment. 6
- (e) Explain Kant's doctrine of — "Duty for duty's sake." 6
- (f) Distinguish between gross and refined utilitarianism. 6

SECTION-III

3. Answer any **two** of the following: 12×2 = 24
- (a) Briefly discuss different theories of punishment. Which of them, according to you, is satisfactory? 6+ 6 = 12
- (b) Critically discuss Mill's utilitarianism as a moral standard. 12
- (c) "Good will is good in itself" — Explain this statement following Kant. 12
- (d) Explain the meaning of the term "ethics". Distinguish between morality and moral philosophy. 4+8 = 12

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GE1-P2-PHILOSOPHY

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

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1. Answer any **four** questions from the following: 3×4 = 12
- (a) Distinguish between figure and mood. 3
 - (b) What is the function of copula? 3
 - (c) What do you mean by opposition of proposition? 3
 - (d) What do you mean by analogy? 3
 - (e) What is meant by distribution of terms? 3
 - (f) When an argument is valid in Venn diagram? 3
2. Answer any **four** questions from the following: 6×4 = 24
- (a) Test the validity or invalidity of the following arguments by truth table: 3+3 = 6
 - (i) $p \supset q / \therefore p \supset (p \cdot q)$
 - (ii) $A \supset B$
 $\sim B / \therefore \sim A$
 - (b) What is conversion? What are the rules of conversion? Can there be simple conversion of ‘A’ proposition? 2+2+2 = 6
 - (c) Reduce the following into logical propositions and show which term / terms are distributed: 2+2+2 = 6
 - (i) Eggs are not square
 - (ii) Snakes are poisonous
 - (iii) Not all flowers are red.
 - (d) Determine the validity or invalidity of the following arguments with the help of Venn diagram: 3+3 = 6
 - (i) EOI — 1st figure
 - (ii) OAO — 3rd figure.
 - (e) What is argument by analogy? Distinguish between good analogy and bad analogy. 2+4 = 6
 - (f) Explain in brief the fallacy of Illicit major and Illicit minor with suitable examples. 3+3 = 6

3. Answer any *two* questions from the following: 12×2 = 24
- (a) Determine the validity or invalidity of the following by Syllogistic rules: 4+4+4 = 12
- (i) Not all politicians are honest.
All politicians are humans.
Therefore, some humans are not honest.
- (ii) $A \supset B$
 $B \supset C / \therefore A \supset C$
- (iii) $K \vee L$
 $K / \therefore \sim L$
- (b) What is opposition of proposition? Explain and illustrate different kinds of opposition of proposition. 3+9 = 12
- (c) Use truth table to determine the following statements form as tautology, self-contradictory or contingent: 4+4+4 = 12
- (i) $[p \supset (p \supset q)] \supset q$
- (ii) $p \equiv [p \cdot (q \supset p)]$
- (iii) $(p \supset q) \equiv \sim (p \cdot \sim q)$
- (d) What are the criteria for the appraisal of analogical argument? Discuss. 12

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