



‘समानो मन्त्रः समितिः समानी’

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL
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CC6-PHILOSOPHY

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

SECTION-I

1. Answer any *four* questions from the following: 3×4 = 12
- (a) Who says that the mind is a ‘tabula rasa’? What does the word mean? 1+2
- (b) What do you mean by representative realism? 3
- (c) “There is nothing in the intellect which was not previously in the sense”— Who says this and why? 1+2
- (d) What does Berkeley mean by substance? 3
- (e) What is self or mind according to Hume? 3
- (f) How many categories are recognized by Kant? 3

SECTION-II

2. Answer any *four* questions from the following: 6×4 = 24
- (a) Explain Locke’s arguments for refuting innate ideas. 6
- (b) Explain critically different forms of knowledge as recognized by Locke. 6
- (c) How do we form general ideas according to Berkeley? 6
- (d) State the doctrine of *Esse est percipi*. Is it a consistent doctrine? 4+2
- (e) Give a critical exposition of Hume’s view of our knowledge of the external world. 6
- (f) Are synthetic a-priori judgements possible? Explain after Kant. 6

SECTION-III

3. Answer any *two* questions from the following: 12×2 = 24
- (a) What does Locke mean by ideas? How does he distinguish between simple and complex ideas? How are complex ideas formed according to him? Discuss. 3+6+3
- (b) On what grounds does Berkeley reject abstract ideas? Bring out the implications of Berkeley’s rejection of abstract ideas. 6+6
- (c) Give a critical estimate of Hume’s distinction between impressions and ideas. Can there be any idea without impressions? Answer after Hume. 8+4
- (d) Distinguish between rationalism and empiricism. How does Kant try to reconcile between the two extremes? 6+6

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