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UPHIMAJ11001-PHILOSOPHY

INDIAN PHILOSOPHY-I [UPANIŠADIC TRADITION AND BHAGAVADGĪTĀ]

Time Allotted: 2 Hours 30 Minutes

Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

SECTION-I

1. Answer any *five* of the following questions:

2×5=10

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| (a) How many <i>vedas</i> are there? | 2 |
| (b) What is the primary meaning of <i>upaniṣad</i> ? | 2 |
| (c) What is <i>Rta</i> ? | 2 |
| (d) Why is <i>veda</i> called <i>sruti</i> ? | 2 |
| (e) Why <i>kurukṣetra</i> is called <i>Dharmakṣetra</i> ? | 2 |
| (f) What is the meaning of ‘ <i>Vidhi</i> ’ in <i>veda</i> ? | 2 |
| (g) Who is ‘ <i>Bhakta</i> ’ according to <i>Gītā</i> ? | 2 |
| (h) What is the <i>upaniṣadic</i> view of <i>Samsāra</i> ? | 2 |

SECTION-II

2. Answer any *six* questions of the following:

5×6 = 30

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| (a) Discuss <i>upaniṣadic</i> view of Cosmos (world view). | 5 |
| (b) Write a short note on nature of <i>mukti</i> in the <i>upaniṣad</i> . | 5 |
| (c) Explain the characteristics of <i>veda</i> . | 5 |
| (d) Why does the <i>Āstika</i> philosophy accept <i>vedas</i> as the foundation of Indian Philosophy? | 5 |
| (e) Discuss about significance of <i>upaniṣad</i> in Indian tradition. | 5 |
| (f) Discuss about the necessity of the teachings of <i>Bhāgavad Gītā</i> in our day to day life. | 5 |
| (g) Discuss the <i>upaniṣadic</i> concept of <i>Brahman</i> . | 5 |
| (h) What is the relation between <i>Jñāna mārga</i> and <i>Bhakti mārga</i> ? | 5 |

SECTION-III

3. Answer any *two* of the following questions:

10×2 = 20

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| (a) Discuss the <i>upaniṣadic</i> concept of <i>Ātman</i> . Explain different stages of <i>Ātman</i> . | 5+5 |
| (b) What is the meaning of the term ‘ <i>veda</i> ’? Why <i>vedas</i> are called ‘ <i>Apouruṣeya</i> ’? Discuss the role of <i>Saṃhita</i> of <i>veda</i> . | 2+2+6 |
| (c) Explain the concept of <i>Niṣkāma karma</i> as stated in <i>Bhāgavad Gītā</i> . | 10 |
| (d) What are the characteristics of <i>sthita prajña</i> mentioned in <i>Bhāgavad Gītā</i> ? Discuss. | 10 |

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