

M.A. 3rd Semester Examination, 2022

PHILOSOPHY

(Western Philosophy of Language)

PAPER – PHI-302

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 hours

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

A. Answer any *four* questions of the following : 2×4

- 1. Give an example where a performative can be uttered on behalf of someone else by an authorized agent.**
- 2. State any four examples of performative verbs.**

(Turn Over)

3. What did Wittgenstein mean by the phrase "Don't think, but look!" ?
4. What is the central objective of philosophy of language ?
5. What is referential theory of meaning ?
6. What does Frege mean by sense ?

B. Answer any *four* questions of the following : 4 × 4

7. What is illocutionary act ? Explain briefly.
8. How is the world divided into facts ?
9. Write a short note on Wittgenstein's 'Picture Theory of Meaning'.
10. What are the objections to referential theory of meaning ? Explain.
11. How does the principle of identity substitution fail in the case of propositional attitude reports, according to Frege ? Explain.

12. 'Rabindranath Tagore is the author of Gitanjali' and the sentence 'Rabindranath Tagore is Rabindranath'. How would Frege account for the differences between these statements ? Explain.

C. Answer any *two* questions of the following : 8×2

13. 'Utterances can have more than one illocutionary force, but typically only one illocutionary point'. - Explain the statement with examples.

14. 'A state of affairs (a state of things) is a combination of objects'. Explain the statement after Wittgenstein.

15. Write a note on linguistic turn.

16. What are the criticisms against Bertrand Russell's theory of Descriptions ? Do you agree with all the objections ? Explain. $6 + 2$