

M.A. 3rd Semester Examination, 2023

PHILOSOPHY

PAPER – PHI-305(C & D)

Full Marks : 50

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*

PAPER – PHI-305C

GROUP – A

Answer any **two** questions from the following :

10 × 2

1. Critically explain the view that moral personality is the basis of equality.
2. Explain the view following Pamela Foa that in the case of rape, women are not only the

victims of an assault but rather the survivors of a social transgression.

3. What are the five historical stages of media ethics ? Explain.
4. What are the arguments for taking business ethics seriously and studying it ? Discuss.

GROUP – B

Answer any **four** questions the following : 5 × 4

5. Write a short note on affirmative action as a means of establishing equality.
6. Give a brief explanation of the reasons behind women trafficking.
7. (a) What is section 498 A of IPC ?
(b) Show the misuse of it with a suitable example.

2 + 3

8. Write a note on *advocational journalism*.
9. Explain the main features of social responsibility theory in journalism.
10. What are the *ownership argument* and *tax argument* against corporate social responsibility?

PAPER – PHI-305D

(*Philosophy of Mind*)

GROUP – A

Answer any **two** questions : 10 × 2

1. Discuss the notion of mental causation. What are the difficulties with it? Explain. 3 + 7
2. Write an essay on the arguments for propositional attitude eliminative materialism.
3. Explain the view that mind is a semantic engine.

4. Explain the main tenets of epiphenomenalism.

GROUP – B

Answer any **four** questions : 5 × 4

5. What are the differences between reduction and elimination ? Explain with the help of examples.
6. What is meant by 'the causal closure of the physical' ? Briefly explain.
7. Why is folk psychology called as a stagnant research programme ? Briefly explain.
8. What is *Chinese Room argument* ? Explain.
9. Write a short note on parallelism.
10. What is functionalism ? How is it different from behaviourism and identity theory ? 2 + 3

[Internal Assessment – 10 Marks]
