UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. Honours 5th Semester Examination, 2023

DSE-P2-Philosophy

Time Allotted: 2 Hours   Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

**The question paper contains DSE-2A and DSE-2B.
The candidates are required to answer any *one* from the *two* courses.
Candidates should mention it clearly on the Answer Book.**

DSE-2A

PHILOSOPHY OF MIND

SECTION-I

1.   Answer any *four* questions of the following: 3×4 = 12

 (a) State the main problem of Philosophy of Mind.

 (b) Define materialism.

 (c) Whether person can be considered as a body only?

 (d) Is there any difference between psychology and philosophy of mind?

 (e) What is methodological behaviourism?

 (f) Write one objection against first person theory.

SECTION-II

2.   Answer any *four* questions of the following: 6×4 = 24

 (a) Can the Cartesian theory of dualism be accepted without any criticism? State your view.

 (b) Do you think that artificial intelligence will help us in solving our day to day problems in life? State your opinion.

 (c) Write a note on Parallelism.

 (d) Briefly discuss the problem of self-consciousness with suitable examples.

 (e) What is Piecemeal approach? State the points briefly.

 (f) Explain identity theory.

SECTION-III

Answer any *two* questions of the following   12×2 = 24

3.   Explain the Double-aspect theory following Spinoza.

4.   Briefly explain the philosophical behaviourism.

5.   Explain critically the third person theory following P.F Strawson.

6.   Critically explain the theory of Interactionism as a theory of mind-body relation.

DSE-2B

PROBLEMS OF PHILOSOPHY

SECTION-I

1.   Answer any *four* questions of the following: 3×4 = 12

   (a) Define the principle of induction following Russell.

   (b) What are the laws of thought?

   (c) Define a-priori proposition.

   (d) Define innate idea.

   (e) What is Plato's concept of 'Universal'?

   (f) Is Russell a realist? Write in brief.

SECTION-II

2.   Answer any *four* questions of the following: 6×4 = 24

   (a) Discuss briefly the correspondence theory of truth.

   (b) Write a brief note on Sense-data.

   (c) Discuss the 'Concept of relation' following Russell.

   (d) Is synthetic knowledge possible?

   (e) Write a brief note on self-evident truth.

   (f) Briefly discuss the concept of intuitive knowledge.

SECTION-III

Answer any *two* questions of the following   12×2 = 24

3.   Discuss knowledge by acquaintance and knowledge by description.

4.   Discuss the concept of truth following Russell. Do you think that truth consists in   8+4
      some form of correspondence between belief and fact?

5.   Discuss the class of intuitive judgement.

6.   What are the three requisites which are essential for a theory of truth? Discuss in   4+8
      this connection the Concept of falsehood.

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