



‘समानो मन्त्रः समितिः समानी’

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. Honours 5th Semester Examination, 2022

DSE-P1-PHILOSOPHY

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

**The question paper contains DSE-1A and DSE-1B.
The candidates are required to answer any *one* from the *two* courses.
Candidates should mention it clearly on the Answer Book.**

DSE-1A

AN ESSAY CONCERNING HUMAN UNDERSTANDING

SECTION-I

1. Answer any *four* questions from the following: 3×4 = 12
- (a) Is there any necessary connection between cause and effect according to Hume? 3
 - (b) What is skepticism? Is Hume a Skeptic? 1+2
 - (c) Is Hume an Occasionalist? If so, do you agree with Hume? 2+1
 - (d) What are the differences between memory and experience according to Hume? 3
 - (e) What are the basic features of knowledge according to Hume? 3
 - (f) What are the differences between necessary and sufficient condition according to Hume? 3

SECTION-II

2. Answer any *four* questions of the following: 6×4 = 24
- (a) What is metaphysics? Does Hume accept metaphysics? Explain briefly. 2+4
 - (b) What do you mean by abstract ideas? Does Hume accept abstract ideas? Explain your answer in brief. 2+4
 - (c) What is law of association according to Hume? Do you agree with Hume? 4+2
 - (d) Is there any difference between intuitive knowledge and demonstrative knowledge according to Hume? Explain your view. 6
 - (e) What is criterion of meaning according to Hume? How does criterion of meaning applicable to ideas? 2+4
 - (f) Is causal relation subjective or objective according to Hume? Briefly explain. 6

SECTION-III

Answer any *two* questions of the following

12×2 = 24

3. “Be a philosopher, but amidst all your philosophy be still a man” — How does this statement of Hume reflect his attitude towards philosophy? 12
4. State and examine Hume’s distinction between Impressions and Ideas. Do you agree with the view that there can be Ideas without Impression? 8+4

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| 5. | Explain and examine the view that Impressions and Ideas differ not in kind but in their degree of force and vivacity. | 12 |
| 6. | What according to Hume is the foundation of all our reasonings and conclusions concerning matters of fact? | 12 |

DSE-1B

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SECTION-I

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| 1. | Answer any four questions of the following: | 3×4 = 12 |
| | (a) Mention three other names of Lord Krishna uttered by Arjuna in the <i>Gītā</i> . | 3 |
| | (b) How do you describe <i>Kuladharmā</i> ? | 3 |
| | (c) Who is Uttarā in <i>Gītā</i> ? | 3 |
| | (d) Who has given <i>divya dṛiṣṭi</i> to Sanjay, and for what reasons? Explain briefly. | 3 |
| | (e) What is the meaning of the term <i>dharma</i> in <i>dharmakṣetra</i> ? | 3 |
| | (f) What is <i>kṣatriya dharma</i> ? | 3 |

SECTION-II

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| 2. | Answer any four questions of the following: | 6×4 = 24 |
| | (a) Describe the state of mind of Arjuna, when Lord Krishna places his chariot in the middle of both the army. | 6 |
| | (b) In the first Chapter of the <i>Gītā</i> do you find any significance of <i>Sanātana Kuladharmā</i> . If so explain briefly. | 6 |
| | (c) What are the basic features of soul (Ātmā) as described in the <i>Gītā</i> . | 6 |
| | (d) What do you mean by rebirth (<i>punarjanma</i>)? Does <i>Gītā</i> believe in rebirth (<i>punarjanma</i>)? Explain your answer. | 2+4 |
| | (e) How do you define Arjuna- <i>Viśāda yoga</i> ? Does Arjuna really in <i>Viśāda</i> ? | 2+4 |
| | (f) What is Arjuna's duty as a Kṣatriya? Does Arjuna suffer from conflict of duties? | 2+4 |

SECTION-III

Answer any two questions of the following

12×2 = 24

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| 3. | Why does Krishna advice Arjuna to start fight again? In this context, explain the differences between <i>dharmakṣetra</i> and <i>kurukṣetra</i> . | 8+4 |
| 4. | In the second Chapter of the <i>Gītā</i> , Krishna described the eternity of soul (Ātmā). Explain in detail. Do you agree with the view that soul (Ātmā) is eternal? | 8+4 |
| 5. | What do you mean by the term <i>Mokṣa</i> (Liberation)? Who is eligible for <i>Mokṣa</i> according to the <i>Gītā</i> ? In this context, discuss how does the attainment of <i>Mokṣa</i> possible. | 2+2+8 |
| 6. | Does Arjuna skeptical about the consequence/result of the Mahābharata war? What are the assumptions of Arjuna? Explain. | 4+8 |

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