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B.A. Honours 6th Semester Examination, 2022

DSE-P3-PHILOSOPHY

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
All symbols are of usual significance.*

**The question paper contains GROUP-A and GROUP-B.
The candidates are instructed to choose any *one* from *two* Groups.
Candidates should mention it clearly on the Answer Book.**

GROUP-A

INTRODUCTION TO FEMINIST PHILOSOPHY

SECTION-I

1. Answer any **four** of the following: 3×4 = 12
- (a) What is Feminism? 3
 - (b) What is ethics of care? 3
 - (c) What are the features of ecofeminism? 3
 - (d) What do you mean by liberal feminism? 3
 - (e) Do you think that Transgender people can enjoy equal human rights in the society? 3
 - (f) What is Patriarchy? 3

SECTION-II

2. Answer any **four** of the following: 6×4 = 24
- (a) "One is not born a woman, one becomes one" — Who said this and why? 6
 - (b) Explain different waves of feminism. 6
 - (c) Write short essay on Transgender Human Rights. 6
 - (d) What are the demands placed by the National Organisation for Women (NOW) to the Republican and Democratic Party of United States of America? 6
 - (e) Point out the differences between Liberal and Radical view of feminism. 6
 - (f) Write a note on philosophical basis of feminism. Is there any distinction between 'sex' and 'gender'? 3+3 = 6

SECTION-III

Answer any *two* of the following

12×2 = 24

3. Write an essay on liberal view of feminism. Do you agree with the liberalist approach towards feminism? 10+2=12

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| 4. | Explain ecofeminism as one of varieties of feminist philosophy. Is ecofeminist necessarily feminist in nature? | 10+2=12 |
| 5. | “The personal is political” — Explain the statement. Does feminism subscribe this view? | 10+2=12 |
| 6. | Write an essay on the moral dimension of feminism. | 12 |

GROUP-B

PHENOMENOLOGY AND EXISTENTIALISM

SECTION-I

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| 1. | Answer any <i>four</i> of the following: | 3×4 = 12 |
| | (a) What is meant by ‘Phenomena’ in Phenomenalism? | 3 |
| | (b) What are the basic features of existentialism? | 3 |
| | (c) What is ‘epoche’? | 3 |
| | (d) Briefly explain the differences between <i>Noema</i> and <i>Noesis</i> . | 3 |
| | (e) What is phenomenological intuition? | 3 |
| | (f) How essence can be known according to Husserl? | 3 |

SECTION-II

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| 2. | Answer any <i>four</i> of the following: | 6×4 = 24 |
| | (a) What is meant by ‘rigorous science’ according to Husserl? Explain the sense in which phenomenology is a rigorous science. | 3+3 = 6 |
| | (b) Explain the concept of freedom in Sartre’s philosophy. | 6 |
| | (c) Explain the existential thesis “ <i>Existence precedes essence</i> ”. | 6 |
| | (d) What does Sartre mean by ‘Choice’? Discuss. | 6 |
| | (e) What do you mean by existentialists style of philosophizing? Discuss. | 6 |
| | (f) Write a note on the concept of ‘Epoche’. | 6 |

SECTION-III

Answer any *two* of the following

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| | | 12×2 = 24 |
| 3. | Explain Husserl’s thesis of intentionality. How far is Husserl indebted to Brentano in formulating his theory of intentionality? Discuss. | 8+4=12 |
| 4. | Write a note on the existentialists’ concept of ‘Bad Faith’. | 12 |
| 5. | Explain Sartre’s view of consciousness in the light of the distinction of ‘Being-in-itself’ and ‘Being-for-itself’. | 12 |
| 6. | What is “Phenomenological Reduction” — State briefly. Is Phenomenological Reduction a method? | 10+2 = 12 |

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