

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. Honours Part-III Examination, 2021

PHILOSOPHY

PAPER-VI

WESTERN EPISTEMOLOGY AND METAPHYSICS

Full Marks: 100

ASSIGNMENT

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

All symbols are of usual significance.

Prepare assignments on any *four* of the following preferably within 1000 $25 \times 4 = 100$ words each

- 1. Define the term 'Definition'. Distinguish between defining characteristics and accompanying characteristics with the help of examples. Distinguish accidental accompanying characteristics from universal accompanying characteristics.
- 2. Write the definition of Knowledge and the different senses of the term 4+4+7+10=25 'Knowledge'. "True belief knowledge" Explain in brief. Explain different conditions of Propositional Knowledge.
- 3. Write the definition of *a-priori* statement. "All *a-priori* statements are 5+10+10=25 analytic" Discuss. Explain and examine Kantian position on the possibility of synthetic *a-priori* knowledge.
- 4. Explain Plato's theory of Universal. Discuss critically his 'Archetype and Participation view' regarding relation between Universals and Particulars.
- 5. Define Cause. Discuss Hume's notion of cause as 'Constant Conjunction'. 3+12+10=25 "Hume's approach is a right approach towards causal connection" Discuss.
- 6. Explain the verifiability criterion of meaning. "Universal statements are verifiable" Write your view regarding the statement in brief. "It is justified to say that statements about past are verifiable" Explain in brief.

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