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Term End Examination 2023-2024  
Programme – B.A.(Eng)-Hons-2023  
Course Name – Understanding Life through Indian Philosophy  
Course Code - VAC00014  
( Semester I )

Full Marks : 60

Time : 2:30 Hours

[The figure in the margin indicates full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.]

## Group-A

(Multiple Choice Type Question)

1 x 15=15

1. Choose the correct alternative from the following :

(i) Anitya denotes \_\_\_\_\_ in Vaisheshika philosophy. Predict the right answer to fill in the blank.

- a) Non-violence  
c) Eternal

- b) Non-violence  
d) Matter

(ii) The Nyaya is also known as \_\_\_\_\_. Choose the correct option and fill in the blank.

- a) Justice  
c) Aksapada

- b) Hinduism  
d) none of the above

(iii) Name the first book of Nyaya philosophy of Gotama

- a) Nyaya-Sutras  
c) Bhagwad Gita

- b) Nyaya-book of philosophy  
d) none of the above

(iv) Name the school that rejected the Vedic authority?

- a) Heterodox  
c) Vedanta

- b) Orthodox  
d) all of the above

(v) Tell the correct answer of the meaning of metaphysics in Indian Philosophy?

- a) realization  
c) School of thought

- b) Love of Knowledge  
d) truth

(vi) Determine what is the term used to describe the ultimate reality or the absolute, according to Vedanta philosophy

- a) Brahman  
c) Maya

- b) Atman  
d) Dharma

(vii) Estimate according to Digambaras, when can a woman obtain liberation.

- a) After sacrificing everything  
c) Through personal effort

- b) When a woman practices severe rituals  
d) After being born once more as a man

(viii) Estimate according to Mimamsa philosophy, what is the nature of the Vedic texts.

- a) Figurative and symbolic

- b) Authoritative and eternal

- c) Historical and contextual  
 (ix) Examine the meaning of the term 'Bhava' in Buddhism. d) Mystical and allegorical
- a) to sacrifice  
 b) to meditate  
 c) to become  
 d) to say something
- (x) Trace the Sanskrit term for Ego.
- a) Buddhi  
 b) Manas  
 c) Ahamkara  
 d) prakriti
- (xi) Predict the term for the branch of philosophy that deals with the study of moral principles and values.
- a) Epistemology  
 b) Ethics  
 c) Aesthetics  
 d) Metaphysics
- (xii) Which scientific field primarily deals with the study of the origin and evolution of the universe? Infer
- a) Biology  
 b) Physics  
 c) Chemistry  
 d) Geology
- (xiii) The founder of the school of Vaisheshika was also named \_\_\_\_\_. Complete the sentence.
- a) King of Ceylon  
 b) Uluka  
 c) Ravana  
 d) Jagadisa
- (xiv) Trace which sacred Jain text contains the teachings of Lord Mahavira and is considered one of the primary sculptures of Jainism?
- a) Bhagavad Gita  
 b) Upanishads  
 c) Tattvartha  
 d) Agamas
- (xv) Recall the meaning of the term Nitya in Vaisheshika philosophy.
- a) Love  
 b) Non-violence  
 c) Non-eternal  
 d) Eternal

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### Group-B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

3 x 5=15

2. Establish your thoughts on the Evolution of the Universe according to Samkhya's philosophy. (3)
3. State three differences between Hinayana and Mahayana. (3)
4. Write a short historical background of Buddhist Philosophy. (3)
5. Express your idea of what you understand by the term Maya in Vedanta Philosophy. (3)
6. Prepare a short note on Ethics and Spirituality in Indian Philosophy in the contemporary period. (3)

OR

Write your thoughts and ideas regarding the Holistic Well-being. (3)

### Group-C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

5 x 6=30

7. Summarize Hindu philosophy in your own words. (5)
8. Indian philosophy has retained its relevance in the modern world. Construct your thoughts and ideas on it. (5)
9. Write a brief note on Nyaya's Philosophy and its four divisions (5)
10. State the significance and scope of studying Indian Philosophy (5)
11. Hypothesize the testimony of Sruti in Nyaya Theology. (5)
12. Summarize Brahmacharyam in Jaina Philosophy. (5)

OR

Critique the concept of women obtaining liberation in Digambaras. (5)

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