

M. A. IN PHILOSOPHY

(MAPY)

Term-End Examination

December, 2024

MPYE-005 : WORLD RELIGIONS

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : (i) Answer all the five questions

(ii) All questions carry equal marks.

(iii) Answer to Question Nos. 1 and 2 should be in about 500 words each.

1. Explain the four noble truths of Buddhism in detail. 20

Or

Discuss the concept of human-person in Christianity. 20

2. Make a comparative study of the understanding of the God and human as discussed in Zoroastrianism and Taoism. 20

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Or

What are the four stages of man's life according to Hinduism ? Explain. 20

3. Answer any two of the following questions in about 250 words each :

(a) Discuss the concept of absolute according to Sikhism. 10

(b) Illustrate the difference between Nirguna Brahman and Saguna Brahman. 10

(c) Briefly explain the six articles of faith in Islam. 10

(d) Explain the idea of Jainism that "Jiva or soul is a conscious substance." 10

4. Answer any four of the following questions in about 150 words each :

(a) Explain any one ethical virtue of Confucianism. 5

(b) Describe Yajna, the Vedic sacrifice. 5

(c) Write a note on Vedangas. 5

(d) Distinguish between Hinayana and Mahayana Buddhism. 5

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- (e) What is the idea of incarnation in Christianity ? 5
- (f) Discuss briefly the sacred books of Judaism. 5
5. Write short notes on any *five* of the following in about **100** words each :
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| (a) Jaina sects | 4 |
| (b) Islamic philosophy of soul | 4 |
| (c) Concept of Rta | 4 |
| (d) Jñāna Mārg | 4 |
| (e) Pancha Maha-vrata | 4 |
| (f) Purusa Suktā | 4 |
| (g) Maya in Sikhism | 4 |
| (h) The Khalsa Movement | 4 |

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