

## MAY 2006 Paper I -HINDUISM

**Time: Three hours**

**Maximum: 100 marks**

Answer any FIVE of the following. Question No. 10 is compulsory.

1. Give an account of the devotional songs of Nayanmars and Alwars.
2. Write an essay on Hindu Ethics.
3. Critically analyze the relevance of Vedantic doctrines to the modern world.
4. Explain the agamas and temple worship of Srivaishnavism.
5. How does Madhva bring out the relationship between Brahman and Atman? Discuss.
6. Give an account of the three impurities and the four-fold path according to saivism.
7. What are the social dimensions of Hinduism? Explain.
8. Elucidate the performance of worship and prayer in Hinduism.
9. Give an account of the services rendered by Ramakrishna Mission to Hinduism.
10. Describe three Hindu Festivals as witnessed and enjoyed by you.

## MAY 2006 Paper II -CHRISTIANITY

**Time: Three hours**

**Maximum: 100 marks**

Answer any FIVE questions. Question No.10 is compulsory

1. Elucidate the significance of the Sermon on the Mount made by Jesus.
2. Bring out the salient features of Leo Tolstoy's moral teachings.
3. How is the dignity of life treated in Christian religious life? Examine.
4. Explain Theology of Christianity.
5. Give an account of the central teachings of the Bible.
6. Write an essay on Christian religious and social life.
7. What is exodus? Explain.
8. Give an account of your three visits and observations in the Christian social service institutions.
9. Write an essay on the prophetic literature.
10. Explain 'Amos' and 'Hosea'

## MAY 2006 Paper III -ISLAM

**Time: Three hours**

**Maximum: 100 marks**

Answer any FIVE of the following but Question No.10 is compulsory.

1. Write an essay about the Geographical features of Arabia.
2. Give an account of the reforms of Prophet Muhammed.
3. Explicate the main beliefs of Islam with reference to the doctrine of Iman.
4. Describe the method of arrangement of the chapters in Quran.
5. Write briefly about the political system of Islam.
6. Explain the term Hadith and relate it with the revelations in Quran.
7. What is Sufism? Explain its significance.

8. Write an essay about the social philosophy of Islam.
9. What is meant by secularism? Bring out the principles of secularism as found in Quran and Hadith.
10. Have you visited any Islamic service organization? If so, elucidate the services of that organization.

**MAY 2006 Paper IV -JAINISM, BUDDHISM AND SIKHISM**

**Time: Three hours**

**Maximum: 100 marks**

Answer any FIVE of the following but Question No. 10 is compulsory.

1. Write an essay about the founders of Jainism.
2. Jainism is a religion without God -Comment.
3. Describe Jaina conception of the world.
4. State and explain the nature and classification of the Ajiva tattva according to Jainism.
5. Critically examine the philosophical teachings of early Buddhism.
6. Explain the Buddhist doctrine of Momentariness.
7. Explain the eight-fold path of Buddhism.
8. Expound the concept of God according to Sikhism.
9. Explain the origin and destiny of man according to Sikhism.
10. Write an essay on your experience of the visit to the religious places of Jainism, Buddhism and Sikhism.

**MAY 2006 Paper V -PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION AND INTER-RELIGIOUS DIALOGUE**

**Time: Three hours**

**Maximum: 80/100 marks**

Answer any FIVE questions. Tenth Question is compulsory.

1. Write an essay on religion in the ancient world.
2. Systematize the views of St. Thomas Aquinas on faith in God.
3. Elucidate your Views of philosophy of Religion on Dr. Ambedkar. Compare them with that of E.V. Ramasamy.
4. What is the role of religion in politics? Explain.
5. What are the social-political factors working for the inter-religious dialogue? Comment.
6. Write an essay on the psychological theories on religion.
7. What have you ideologically gained while you participated in the discussion on inter-religious dialogue. Comment.
8. 'Within the religious society, pluralism is a fact of life' -Evaluate.
9. Have you organised and participated in an inter-religious dialogue. Elucidate your experiences.
10. What are all the facts behind the conversion? Expands them~

**MAY 2006 Paper VI -METAPHYSICS AND EPISTEMOLOGY**

**Time: Three hours**

**Maximum: 100 marks**

Answer any FIVE of the following. Question No. 10 is compulsory.

1. Discuss the role of analysis in philosophy.
2. Critically analyse the validity of Marxian thought.
3. Write an essay on the explanation of epistemology in the six systems of Indian philosophy.
4. Give an account of what is being discussed by thinkers at Vienna circle.
5. State and explain the pragmatic doctrines of William James.
6. Bring out the salient features of idealism.
7. Why did Edmund Husserl emphasise phenomenology? Examine.
8. Give an account of the special features of realism.
9. Write clearly about the encounters you had with those who are affected by deep emotion.
10. What is absolutism? Elucidate.

**MAY 2006 Paper VII -LOGIC AND PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE**

**Time : Three hours**

**Maximum: 80/100 marks**

Answer any FIVE questions. Question No. 10 is compulsory.

1. Explain the scope and nature of logic.
2. Expound immediate inference.
3. Examine the opposition of propositions.
4. Explain categorical syllogism.
5. Define truth-function and explain its significance.
6. Critically expound the theory of cosmology.
7. Critically explain the philosophy of physical Sciences.
8. What are the limits of scientific knowledge? Explain.
9. Critically examine eco-philosophy.
10. Explain the hazards of scientific advancements.

**MAY 2006 Paper VIII-MARXIST AND RATIONALIST PHILOSOPHY**

**Time: Three hours**

**Maximum: 100 marks**

Answer any FIVE questions. Answer to Question No.9 is compulsory.

1. State the basic tenets of Materialism.
2. Describe the Indian approach to Materialism.
3. What is Dialectic movement of History? Explain.
4. Give an account of the social and economic conditions of Europe during the time of Marx.
5. Is the class-war concept of Marx feasible? Explain.
6. Briefly describe the basic policy of the 'Rationalists'

7. State the impact of Rationalist thought on rigid social systems.
8. Explain the place of religion in a 'Rationalist' society.
9. State part played by Periyar in developing the 'Self Respect' Movement.
10. What are the different techniques used by the 'Rationalists' in spreading their message?

**MAY 2006 Paper IX -FEMINISM AND DALIT PHILOSOPHY**

**Time: Three hours**

**Maximum: 100 marks**

Answer any FIVE of the following Q. No. 10 is compulsory.

1. Is feminism a human right? Explain.
2. Give your views on crimes against women.
3. What are the reasons for female abortion and female infanticide?
4. Explain Gender based science and technology
5. Bring out the role of UNO in Women's Organizations.
6. Bring out the contributions of Dr. Ambedkar in organizing Indian Society.
7. Analyze Nelson Mandela's actions against racial discrimination.
8. Write about the importance of St. Vemanna's philosophy.
9. How Dalit movement has grown? Give estimation.
10. Elucidate the case histories of Dalit oppression Dalit awakening and struggle as found in your field work.