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4 Year Under Graduate Degree (Honours) in Philosophy 1st SEMESTER

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks:
Minor-1	Ethics and Religion (A Candidate pursuing Major in Philosophy will not be allowed to take the same as Minor)	6	75: Written 05: Attendance 10: Internal Evaluation 10: Projects with Viva-voce based on Syllabus. (External examiner will evaluate)

2nd SEMESTER

Course Code	Course Title	Credit	Marks:
Minor-2	Indian Philosophy: An Overview (A Candidate pursuing Major in Philosophy will not be allowed to take the same as Minor)	6	75: Written 05: Attendance 10: Internal Evaluation 10: Projects with Viva-voce based on Syllabus. (External examiner will evaluate)



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Course: Minor 1

Paper Title: ETHICS AND RELIGION

Paper Code: PHI-MIN1

Objective:

Ethics and religion are closely intertwined in many societies, influencing individuals' values, behaviours, and moral decision-making. The outcomes of the relationship between ethics and religion can vary widely based on cultural, philosophical, and religious diversity. Religious teachings often provide a moral framework and ethical principles that guide believers in making decisions and navigating ethical dilemmas.

Outcomes:

- The primary outcome of ethics is to provide guidance on what is considered right and wrong behaviour.
- Ethics offers principles and guidelines to help individuals and communities make morally informed decisions.
- Ethics seeks to contribute to the moral development of individuals and societies. This involves fostering virtues, character development, and the cultivation of ethical reasoning skills.

Group: A (Ethics)

UNIT-I:

1. Definition, Nature and Scope of Ethics
2. Moral and Non Moral Action, Voluntary and Non-voluntary action, Postulates of morality
3. The Nature and Object of Moral Judgement, Problem of Freedom of will

UNIT-II:

4. Basic Concept of Deontological and Consequentialist Ethics
5. Theories of Punishment
6. Ethics of Gītā: *Niṣkāma* and *Sakāma karma*, *Sthitaprajña*, *Lokasaṁgraha*.
7. Gandhian Ethics: Satya, Ahimsa, Sarvodaya

Group: B (Religion)

UNIT-III:

8. Origin (Anthropological and Psychological) and Nature of Religion
9. Notions of God: Personalistic, Impersonalistic, Naturalistic.
10. Proofs for the existence of God



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UNIT-VI:

11. Religious Consciousness
12. Religious Knowledge: Reason, Revelation and Mysticism
13. Essence of Major Religions (Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam and Christianity), and comparison.

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2. Manual of Ethics: J.S. Mackenzie
3. Ethics: W. K. Frankena
4. Aristotle. (1926). Nichomachean Ethics, Harvard University Press.
5. Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals: Kant, Immanuel. Trans. H.J Paton, as The Moral Law
6. The Elements of Moral Philosophy: J. Rachel
7. Ethical Philosophies of India: I. C. Sharma
8. J.S Mill Utilitarianism: Mary Warnock
9. Frankena Nitisashtra: Nivedita Chakraborty
10. Vyavaharika Nitividya: Samarendra Bhattacharya
11. Bharatiya Nitividya : Samarendra Bhattacharya
12. Bharatiya Nitividya : Dikshit Gupta.
13. Bharatiya Nitividya :Dipak Kumar Bagchi.
14. The philosophy of religion: D Miall Edwards.
15. History of dharmashastra : P.V.Kane.
16. Dharmadarsana: Ramesh ch.Munshi.
17. Dharmadarsana: Rabindranath Das.
18. Dharmadarsana: Samarendra Bhattacharya.
19. Dharmadarsana: Aurobinda Bosu
20. Dharmadarsana: Amitava Bhandhpadhyay
21. Dharmadarsana: Sushil Kumar Chakraborty
22. Comparative Religion: K. N. Tiwari
23. Philosophy of Religion: J. H. Hick



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Course: Minor 2

Paper Title: INDIAN PHILOSOPHY: AN OVERVIEW

Paper Code: PHI-MIN2

Objectives:

Indian philosophy deals with various philosophical problems. These problems include the nature of world, the nature of realism, the nature of knowledge. The sole aim of Indian philosophy is the realization of self, and thereby attaining liberation.

Outcomes:

- The student would be able to understand the ancient Indian philosophical systems.
- They would be able to understand the basic concepts of these different Indian Philosophical schools.
- They would be able to understand present overviews of these schools.

Group-A (Indian Philosophy, Part-I)

UNIT-I:

1. Cārvāka: Epistemology and Metaphysics
2. Jainasim: *Anekāntavāda*, *Syadvāda*, *Saptabhangīnaya*,
3. Buddhism: Four Noble Truth, *Pratityasamutpādvāda*, *Kṣaṇabhangavāda*, *Nairatmavāda*.

UNIT-II:

4. Nyāya: *Prāma*, *Prāmaṇas*,
5. Vaiśeṣika: *Padārthas*

Group-B (Indian Philosophy, Part-II)

UNIT-III :

6. Sāṃkhya: Theory of Causation, *Prakṛti*, Evolution of *Prakṛti*, *Purūṣa*,
7. Yoga: *Citta*, *Cittavṛtti*, *Cittabhūmi*, *AṣṭāṅgaYoga*, God

UNIT-IV:

8. PūrvaMīmāṃsā: *Śruti* and its importance, *Arthāpatti* and *Anupalabdhi* as *pramāna*.
9. Vedānta (Advaita and Viśiṣṭadvaita): Advaita Concept of *Brahman*, *Adhyāsa*, *Vivartavāda*, *Māyā*, *Jīva*, *Jīvanmukti*.
10. Concept of *Saguṇa Brahman*, Refutation of *Māyā*, *Parināmvāda*, *Jīva*, Rejection of *Jīvanmukti*.



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2. A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy: C. D. Sharma
3. A History of Indian Philosophy Vol – I to V.: S.N.Das Gupta
4. Indian Philosophy Vol – I &II :S.Radhakrishnan
5. Reason and Tradition of Indian Thought: J.N.Mahanty
6. Studies in Philosophy Vol – 1: K.C. Bhattacharya
7. Introduction of Indian Philosophy: Datta and Chatterjee
8. Six Ways of Knowing: D.M.Dutta
9. Knowing a Negative Fact: Amal Kumar Harh
10. Towards a Buddhist Social Philosophy: Amal Kumar Harh
11. Bharatiya Darsana: Debabrata Sen.
12. Nyaya Vaisesika Darsana: Dr.Karuna Bhattacharjee.
13. Samkhya Patanjala Darsana: Sri Kanak Prava Banerjee.
14. Bharatiyo Darsana: NirodBaranChakraborty.
15. Carvakadarsana: Panchanan Shastri.
16. Bharatiya Darsana: Prodyot Mondal.
17. BharatiyaDarsana: Samarendra Bhattacharjee
18. Bharatiya Darsana: Gobinda CharanGhosh