

63/1 (SEM-3) CC5/PHLHC3056

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(Held in 2023)

PHILOSOPHY

Paper : PHLHC3056

(Western Philosophy : Descartes to Kant)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Choose the correct answer from the following :

1×6=6

(a) Who advocated Rationalism?

(i) Kant

(ii) Locke

(iii) Descartes

(iv) Berkeley

(b) An Innate Ideas of Descartes is

(i) scientific knowledge

(ii) objective knowledge

**(iii) the knowledge of that we inherited
at the time of birth**

(iv) the knowledge of Philosophy

- (c) Spinoza's Philosophy is regarded as
- (i) Dualism
 - (ii) Absolutism
 - (iii) Pluralism
 - (iv) Monism
- (d) Who is associated with the law of Causation?
- (i) Kant
 - (ii) Descartes
 - (iii) David Hume
 - (iv) Leibniz
- (e) What, according to John Locke, is the source of knowledge?
- (i) Perception
 - (ii) Insight
 - (iii) Sense
 - (iv) Experience
- (f) How many categories are proposed by Kant?
- (i) 4
 - (ii) 10
 - (iii) 16
 - (iv) 20

2. Answer the following questions : 2×5=10
- (a) Define parallelism.
 - (b) Define Leibniz's 'pre-established harmony'.
 - (c) Define self-evident truth.
 - (d) Write down the different degrees of monad classification.
 - (e) Define the terms 'a priori' and 'a posteriori'.
3. Answer any six of the following questions : 5×6=30
- (a) Discuss Descartes' method of doubt.
 - (b) Is Descartes a sceptic? Discuss.
 - (c) Write a short note on Spinoza's Substance.
 - (d) Write a short note on Locke's Empiricism.
 - (e) What is Kant's category? Discuss.
 - (f) Discuss on Subjective Idealism.

- (g) Briefly explain Descartes' theory of Interactionism.
- (h) Explain Hume's view on the distinction between Impression and Ideas.
- (i) Write a short note on 'Tabula Rasa'.

4. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

10×2=20

- (a) Analyze critically on Berkeley's "*esse est percipi*".
- (b) Critically analyze Locke's criticism of 'Innate Idea'.
- (c) Explain and examine the concept of Monadology.

5. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 14

- (a) Explain and examine Kant's possibility of synthetic a priori judgement.
- (b) Critically analyze the "*cogito ergo sum*" in the light of Descartes' philosophy.
