FAKIR MOHAN UNIVERSITY
CBCS SYLLABUS

CORE COURSE; SEMESTER – I B.A. PHILOSOPHY (Honours)

PHIL. CC-I : General Philosophy

Time- 3hrs.  F. M.: 100 [Mid Sem 20+End Sem 80]  Credit Points: - 6  No. of classes: 60

UNIT-I: Definition, Nature and Function of Philosophy; Its Relation with Other Modes of Thinking

UNIT-II: Problems of Being: Monism, Dualism and Pluralism; Idealism and Realism

UNIT-III: Problems of Knowledge: Rationalism, Empiricism and Criticism

UNIT-IV Problems of value, Fact and value; Good and evil; Beautiful and Ugly; Objectivity of value

UNIT-V: Problems of Philosophy: Substance: Universals; Causality; Freewill

Basic Study Materials

1. G.T.W. Patrick, Introduction to Philosophy
2. G.W. Cunningham, Problems of Philosophy
3. Bertrand Russell, Problems of Philosophy
4. Richard Taylor, Metaphysics
5. D.W. Hamlyn, Metaphysics

CORE COURSE; SEMESTER – I B.A. PHILOSOPHY (Honours)

PHIL. Paper-II: CC-II- Symbolic Logic

Time- 3hrs.  F. M.: 100 [Mid Sem 20+End Sem 80]  Credit Points: - 6  No. of classes: 60

UNIT-I: Chapters I,
UNIT-II: Chapter II
UNIT-III: Chapter-III (Section 1 to 6
UNIT-IV: Chapter-III (Section 7 to 9
UNIT-V: Chapter- V & Appendix

Basic Study Materials

1. A.H. Basson and D.J. O’Conner, An Introduction to Symbolic Logic
2. M.R. Cohen and E. Nagel, An Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method
3. John Harsens, An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis
4. Alex Rosenberg, Philosophy of Science: A Contemporary Introduction

SEM.-I/III, PHIL.-GE-I IS SAME AS SEM.-I PHIL.-CC-I
SEM.-I, PHIL.-DSC-I IS SAME AS SEM.-I PHIL.-CC-I
CORE COURSE; SEMESTER – II B.A. PHILOSOPHY (Honours)
PHIL. Paper-III: CC – III Systems of Indian Philosophy

Time- 3hrs. F. M.: 100 [Mid Sem 20+End Sem 80] Credit Points: - 6 No. of classes: 60

UNIT-I: Carvaka Materialism;
Jainism: Syadvada; Anekantavada

UNIT-II: Buddhism: The Noble Truths; Doctrine of Dependent Origination; Doctrine of Momentariness

UNIT-III: Samkhya: Purusa; Prakriti; Causality
Yoga: Cittavrtti and Its Nirodha; Astangika Marga

UNIT-IV: Nyaya: Pramanas
Vaisesika: Padartha

UNIT-V: Samkara and Ramanuja: Brahman, Atman, Jagat and Maya

Basic Study Materials
1. S.C. Chatterji and D.M. Datta, An Introduction to Indian Philosophy
2. C.D. Sharma, A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy
3. M. Hiriyanna, Outlines of Indian Philosophy
4. R.K. Puligandla, Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy
5. S. Radhakrishnan, Indian Philosophy, Volumes I and II

CORE COURSE; SEMESTER – II B.A. PHILOSOPHY (Honours)
PHIL. Paper-IV: CC – IV Philosophy of Language

Time- 3hrs. F. M.: 100 [Mid Sem 20+End Sem 80] Credit Points: - 6 No. of classes: 60

UNIT-I: Word Meaning; Ambiguity; Vagueness

UNIT-II: Definition: Defining and Accompanying Characteristics; Scope of Definition; Causal, Stipulative, Reportive, Real, Persuasive, Ostensive definitions

UNIT-III: Referential, Ideational, Behavioural and Use View of Meaning

UNIT-IV: Analytic and Synthetic; Apriori and Aposteriori; Synthetic-A priori; Logical Possibility

UNIT-V: Concept: Nature and Source; Truth: Correspondence, Coherence and What Works; Knowledge: Sources

Basic Study Materials
1. John Hospers, An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis
2. W.P. Alston, Philosophy of Language

SEM.-II/IV, PHIL.-GE-II IS SAME AS SEM.-I PHIL.-CC-II
SEM.-II, PHIL.-DSC-II IS SAME AS SEM.-I PHIL.-CC-II
SECOND YEAR
SEMESTER-III-BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)
CC-Paper-V: Contemporary Indian Philosophy
Time - 3hrs  F.M.: 100 [80 (Endsem) + 20 (Int)]  Credit- 6

Unit - I
Swami Vivekananda: Practical Vedanta; Universal Religion; Man and His Destiny

Unit – II
R.N. Tagore: God as Reality; Nature of Religion; Man and His Destiny

Unit – III
Sri Aurobindo: Saccidananda; Creation; Man and His Transformation

Unit – IV
M.K. Gandhi: God as Truth, Non-Violence, Satyagraha, Sarvodaya

Unit – V
S. Radhakrishnan: Man and His Destiny; Religion and Religious Experience; Intellect and Intuition

Basic Study Materials:
1. B.K. Lal Contemporary Indian Philosophy
2. T.M.P. Mahadevan, Contemporary Indian Philosophy

SEMESTER-III-BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)
CC-Paper-VI: Modern European Philosophy
Time - 3hrs  F.M.: 100 [80 (Endsem) + 20 (Int)]  Credit- 6

Unit-I
Francis Bacon- Inductive Method, Idolas
Descartes- Method ,Substance, Inmate ideas

Unit-II
Spinoza: Substance, Attribute and Modes
Leibnitz- Monads, Pre-establishment Harmony

Unit-III
Locke: Refutation of Innate Ideas; Theory of Knowledge; Idea of Substance
Unit-IV

Berkeley: Subjective Idealism

Hume: Scepticism; Theory of Causation; Idea of Self

Unit-V

Kant: Review of the Claims of Empiricism and Rationalism; Space and Time; Categories of Understanding

Basic Study Materials

1. Richard Falkenberg, *History of Modern Philosophy*
2. Frank Thilly, *History of Philosophy*
3. Y. Masih, *Critical History of Western Philosophy*
4. Ratnakar Pati, *History of Modern European Philosophy*

**SEMIESTER-III-BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)**

CC-Paper-VII: Study of a Western Classic:
Rene Descartes’ *Meditations on First Philosophy*

Time - 3hrs  F.M.: 100 [80(Endsem) + 20(Int)]  Credit - 6

Unit-I

Meditation I: Sceptical Doubts, MeditationII: *cogito ergo sum* and *sum res cogitans*,
The Wax Argument

Unit-II

Meditation III: Clear and Distinct Perceptions, Theory of Ideas, Existence of God

Unit-III

Meditation IV: God is no Deceiver, Will, Intellect and the Possibility of Error

Unit-IV

Meditation V: Essence of Material Things, Existence of God

Unit-V

Meditation VI: Mind-body Dualism, Primary and Secondary Qualities

Basic Study Materials

1. Rene Descartes, *Meditations on First Philosophy* (Various editions)
3. Amelie Rorty, *Essays on Descartes’ Meditations*
SEMESTER-IV -BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)
CC-Paper-VIII: Study of The Bhagavadgita
Time -3hrs   F.M.:100[80(Endsem)+20(Int)]   Credit- 6

Unit –I
The Bhagavadgita: Conception of Yoga; Conceptions of Life and Death

Unit –II
The Bhagavadgita: Karma and Karmaphala; Karma, Akarma and Vikarma

Unit –III
The Bhagavadgita: Jnana and Vijnana; Ksara, Aksara and Uttama Purusa

Unit –IV
Chapter XVIII Verses 1 to 36 with Samkara’s Commentary

Unit –V
Chapter XVIII Verses 37 to 78 with Samkara’s Commentary

Basic Study Materials
1. (Tr. & Ed.) S. Radhakrishnan, The Bhagavadgita
2. (Tr. & Ed.) V. Panoli, Gita in Samkara’s Own Words, I & II
3. (Tr.) A.G.K. Warrior, SrimadbhagavadgitaBhasya of SriSamkaracharya
4. P.N. Srinivasachari, The Ethical Philosophy of the Gita
5. K.M. Munshi and R.R. Diwakar, Bhagavadgita and Modern Life
6. S.C. Panigrahi, Concept of Yoga in the Gita

SEMESTER-IV-BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)
CC-Paper-IX:Traditional Ethics and Applied Ethics
Time -3hrs   F.M.:100[80(Endsem)+20(Int)]   Credit- 6

Unit-1
Definition, Nature and Scope of Ethics; Moral and Non-moral Actions; Factual and Moral Judgments

Unit-II
Teleological Ethics: Hedonism; Utilitarianism

Unit-III
Business Ethics: Rights and Obligations in Business; Justice, Truth Telling and Honesty in Business

Unit-IV
Bio-Medical Ethics: Rights and Obligations of Health Care Professionals, Patient and His Family; Abortion; Euthanasia
Unit-V
Environmental Ethics: Use and Exploitation of Nature; Animal Killing and Animal Rights

Basic Study Materials:
1. William Lillie, *Ethics*
3. Peter Singer, *Practical Ethics*

SEMESTER-IV-BA PHILOSOPHY (HONS)
CC-Paper-X: Study of Major Religions of the World
Time - 3hrs  F.M.: 100 [80(Endsem)+20(Int)]  Credit- 6

Unit-I
Sanatana Dharma:

The Conception of Man (amrtasyaputra); His Pursuits (dharma, artha, kama&moksa); Ways of Conduct (margas): jnana, karma&bhakti

Unit-II
Buddhism:

Three Practices: *Sila, Samadhi&Prajna*; Four Noble Truths; Five Precepts; Eight-fold Path

Unit-III
Jainism:

Three Gems; Five Vows; The Jaina Agamas

Unit-IV
Christianity:

God as Trinity; Grace; Justice; Peace; Service; Salvation

Unit-V
Islam:

Conception of Man; Pursuits of Man: *Shahadah* (declaration of faith), *Salaah* (prayer), *Zakat* (charity), *Saum* (fasting) & *Hajj* (pilgrimage): Brotherhood and Equality of Mankind

Basic Study Materials

1. Y. Masih, *A Comparative Study of Religions*
2. Lloyd Ridgeon, *Major World Religions*
SEMESTER-IV-BA PHILOSOPHY
DSC-III Paper-III: Systems of Indian Philosophy
Time - 3hrs   F.M.:100[80(Endsem)+20(Int)]   Credit- 6

Full Marks: 100 [Mid Sem 20+End Sem 80]   Credit Points: 4   No. of classes: 50

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4. R.K. Puligandla, Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy

SEMESTER-IV-BA PHILOSOPHY
DSC-IV Paper-IV: Philosophy of Language
Time - 3hrs   F.M.:100[80(Endsem)+20(Int)]   Credit- 6

Full Marks: 100 [Mid Sem 20+End Sem 80]   Credit Points: 4   No. of classes: 50

UNIT-I: Word Meaning; Ambiguity; Vagueness
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Basic Study Materials

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2. W.P. Alston, Philosophy of Language
SEMMESTER-IV PHILOSOPHY (HONS) -SEC-II
SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE – II

PHYLOSOPHY ANCIENT AND MODERN

Time- 2 hrs  F.M.-40+10  Credit- 2

UNIT-I  Budhism
Four noble truth, Doctrine of dependant Origination, Doctrine of Momenta

UNIT-II Mimansa
Pramanas

UNIT-III Sri Aurobinda
Reality, Religion

UNIT-IV M.K. Gandhi
Truth and Non-violence.

Books Recommended-
1. Critical Survey Indian Philosophy-C.D. Sharma
2. Bharatiya Darshan-G.C. Nayak
3. Contemporary Indian Philosophy-B.K. Lal
SEMESTER-V

Paper-XI: Social and Political Philosophy

Unit-I
Sociality, Social Science and Social Laws; Philosophy of Social Science Relation between Individual and Society; Mechanical, Organic and Individualistic view.

Unit-II

Unit-III
Democratic Ideals, Democratic Government, Condition for successful functioning of Democracy.

Unit-IV
Political Ideology- Anarchism, Marxism, Sarvodaya

Unit-V

Basic Study Materials

1. J. Sinha- Outline of Political Philosophy
2. D. D. Raphel-Problems of Political Philosophy

Paper-XII: Study of an Indian Classic: The Isa Upanisad with Samkara’s Commentary

Unit-I
What are Upanisads, Place of Upanisads in Indian Philosophy and Culture, The Isa upanisad

Unit-II
Mantras 1 to 4

Unit-III
Mantras 5 to 8

Unit-IV
Mantras 09 to 12

Unit-V
Mantras 13 to 16

**Basic Study Materials**

1. The *Isa Upanisad* with Samkara’s Commentary (Various editions)
2. S. Radhakrishnan, *The Principal Upanisads*
3. Satyabadi Mishra, *Central Philosophy of the Upanisads*

**DSE-I**

Ancient and Medieval Philosophy

**Unit-I Socrates and the Socratic schools**

The Socratic problem-The Socratic method-The Socratic Ethics-The Socratic schools.

**Unit-II Plato**

Plato and his Problem-Dialectic and theory of knowledge-Hierarchy of the sciences-Doctrine of Ideas-Philosophy of nature-Cosmology-Psychology-Doctrine of Immortality-Ethics-Politics-Plato’s Historical Position-The Platonic school

**Unit-III Aristotle**


**Unit-IV St. Augustine**

Theory of knowledge-Theology-The Problem of evil-Psychology-Ethics-Freedom of the will-Philosophy of History.

**Unit-V St. Thomas Aquinas**

Philosophy and Theology-Theory of knowledge-Metaphysics-Theology-Psychology-Ethics-Politics-Followers of St. Thomas

**Basic study materials**

1. Frank Thilly-A history of Philosophy
2. W. T. Stace-Critical History of Greek Philosophy
3. Swami Krishnananda-Studies in Comparative Philosophy

DSE-II
Philosophy of Mahima Dharma

Unit-I
Metaphysics-The concept of Alekha

Unit-II
World

Unit-III
Concept of self and liberation.

Unit-IV
Ethics.

Unit-V
The spiritual Humanism of Bhima Bhoi

Basic study materials
1. Prof. Satrughan Nath-Mahima Dharma Dhara
2. Prof. S. C. Panigrahi-Bhima Bhoi and Mahima Darshana
3. Sidartha Satpathy-Bhima Bhoi (Prayers and reflections)
4. Biswanath Baba-Philosophy of MahimaDharma-Vol.-I
5. Dr. B. Kar-Major trends in orissan Philosophy
6. Shri Nilamani Senapathy-Satya Mahima Dharma

SEM.-V, PHIL.-SEC-III (For General) IS SAME AS SEM.-IV PHIL. (Hons)-SEC-II
SEM.-V, PHIL.-DSE-I (For General) IS SAME AS SEM.-V PHIL. (Hons) - DSE-II
SEM.-V, PHIL.-GE-I (for General) IS SAME AS SEM.-VI PHIL. (Hons)-CC-XIV
SEMESTER-VI
Paper-XIII: Gandhian Study

Unit-I
Political Thought of Gandhi: Gandhi’s Concept of Politics - goals and methods of action; Concept and claim of spiritualising politics

Unit-II
Economic Thought of Gandhi: Gandhi’s ideas and efforts in the field of economics; Gandhi’s critique of Industrialism - Evils and Consequences; Philosophy of Work: Employment – Yajna, Need Vs Greed (and Wants)

Unit-III
Social Thought of Gandhi and Social Work: Philosophy and Sociology of Sarvodaya; Concept of Gramswaraj, Varanshram system and its distinction from caste system; Eradication of social evils with special reference to Gandhi’s drive against alcoholism/drug addiction; Untouchability and the method of struggle against it

Unit-IV
Education - meaning and aims of education; Gandhi’s experiment in education at Satyagraha Ashram, Ahmedabad; at Sevagram Ashram; Basic Education; Duties of students, parents and teachers in education and their Interrelationship; Sex education; Formal, non-formal and informal education

Unit-V
Gandhi’s Idea of Peace: Meaning of Peace and Violence; Peace and Disarmament; Non-violent way to world peace; Combating terrorism through non-violence; Gandhian Approach to Conflict Resolution - Shanti Sena

Basic Study Materials

1. Mahatma Gandhi, Autobiography
2. Mahatma Gandhi, Hind Swaraj
3. Mahatma Gandhi, Towards Non-violent Socialism
Paper-XIV: Traditional Ethics

Unit-I

Definition of ethics-Nature and scope of Ethics-Relation of Ethics to Sociology and politics

Philosophy

Unit-II


Unit-III

Moral Standard Hedonism - Psychological and Ethical.

Unit-IV

Theories of Punishment, Individual and Society

Unit-V

Niskama Karma in Bhagabat Gita, Gandhian Ethics-Means and ends, Non-violence

DSE-III

Modern Logic

Unit-I

The study of logic

Unit-II

Propositions and their relations-Compound Propositions and arguments.

Unit-III

The traditional syllogism

Unit-IV
Classification and description

**Unit-V**

Logical Principles and the proof of prepositions

**Basic Study Materials**

1. L. Susanstebbing-A modern Elementary Logic
2. Prof. G. Mishra- Basic Principles of Deductive Logic
3. K. T. Basantani-Introduction to Logic

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**DSE-IV**

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Projects submitted by the student are to be evaluated by the Internal Examiner and External Examiner appointed by University. Students should opt for Supervision of Dissertation from the internal faculties of his own college/Institution. The Supervisor in consultation with the concerned Head of the Department should decide the topic. The presentation should be open to all faculties as well as graduate students of the concerned Department

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**SEC-IV**

*The Bhagavadgita*

**Unit –I**

The *Bhagavadgita*: The Conception of Yoga; Conceptions of Life and Death

**Unit –II**

The *Bhagavadgita*: *Karma* and *Karmaphala*; *Karma*, *Akarma* and *Vikarma*

**Unit –III**

The *Bhagavadgita*: *Jnana* and *Vijnana*; *Ksara*, *Aksara* and *UttamaPurusa*

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**DSE-II (For Gen. student)**

*Indian Philosophy*

**Unit – I**
Salient features of Indian Philosophy and key concepts
Carvaka – Epistemology, Metaphysics
Jainism – Syadvada & Anekantavada

Unit – II

Buddhism – Four Noble Truth, Doctrine of Dependent Origination, No Soul Theory, Nirvana

Unit – III

Samkhya – Purusa, Prakriti, Evolution
Yoga – Patanjali’s Citta Vritti Nirodha, Astanga Yoga

Unit – IV

Nyaya – Theory of Inference
Vaisesika – Padarthas (Categories)

Unit- V

Samkara – Brahman, Atman, Maya & Liberation
Ramanyan – Brahman, Atman, Maya & Liberation

Books Recommended:
1. Dutta & Chatterjee – An Introduction to Indian Philosophy
2. C. D. Sharma – A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy
3. G. C. Nayak (O) Bharatiya Darshana
4. B. B. Choudhury (O) (Trs.) – Bharatiya Darshanara Ruparekha

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