

CSM – 56/17
Philosophy
Paper – I

Time : 3 hours

Full Marks : 300

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

*Candidates should attempt Q. No. 1 from Section – A and Q. No. 5 from Section – B which are compulsory and any **three** of the remaining questions selecting at least **one** from each Section.*

SECTION – A

1. Write short notes on any **three** of the following in about **200** words each : 20×3 = 60
 - (a) Analyse Descarte's Dualism.
 - (b) Explain Plato's doctrine of Ideas.
 - (c) Examine Leibnitz's theory of pre-established harmony.
 - (d) Elucidate Hegel's "Concept of Absolute".
2. Critically evaluate Hume's notion of self and his scepticism. 60

3. State and analyse Spinoza's theory of psycho-physical parallelism (Mind and Body). 60
4. State and evaluate how Kant reconciles rationalism and empiricism in his epistemology. 60

SECTION – B

5. Write short notes on any **three** of the following in about **200** words each : 20×3 = 60
 - (a) Explain Cārvāka's theory of knowledge.
 - (b) Critically analyse Syādvāda's of Jainism.
 - (c) Elucidate the general characteristics of Buddhism.
 - (d) State and examine the Sāṃkhya theory of evolution.
6. Critically analyse Nave Dravyas of Nyaya System. 60
7. Critically consider the concept of Brahma and Atman in Advaita Vedānta. 60
8. State and examine the doctrine of Ishwara, Jiva and Jagat. 60

