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RECRUITMENT OF ASSISTANT PROFESSORS IN THE UNIVERSITY SYLLABUS FOR THE SCREENING TEST

PHILOSOPHY

SUBJECT CODE – 49

1. Classical Indian Philosophy

- **Vedic and Upanisadic world-views** : Rta, Yajna (sacrifice), Rna Purushartha, Sreyas and Preyas, Law of Karma.
- **Ethics of Gita.**
- **Carvaka:** Theory of Knowledge, Rejection of Transcendent Entities.
- **Jainism** : Anekantavada, Bondage and Liberation.
- **Buddhism** : Four Noble Truths, Pratityasamutpada, Ksanabhahgavada, Anatmavada.
- **Nyaya** : Epistemology, Theory of Causation, Proofs for the Existence of God.
- **Vaisesika** : Categories or Padartha, Atomistic Theory of Creation. • Samkhya : Purusa, Prakriti, Causation, Liberation.
- **Yoga** : Patanjali's Concept of Citta and Citta-vrtti, Eightfold path of Yoga, Kaivalya.
- **Purva Mimamsa** : Sruti and its importance, Theory of Knowledge.
- **Advaita Vedanta** — Brahman, Jiva, Jagat, Maya, Jtvanmukti, Vivartavada.
- **Visishtadvaita Vedanta:** Refutation of Maya, Aprthaksiddhi Parindmavada.

2. Modern Indian Thinkers

- **Vivekananda** — Practical Vedanta, Universal Religion.
- **Aurobindo** — Evolution, Mind and Supermind, Integral Yoga.
- **Tagore** - Religion of Man.
- **K. C. Bhattacharyya** - Subject as Freedom.
- **Radhakrishnan** — Intellect and intuition, The Concept of Absolute.
- **J. Krishnamurti** — Freedom from the Known, Analysis of Self.
- **Gandhi** — Truth and God, Non-violence, Satyagraha, Swaraj.
- **Ambedkar** — Criticism of Caste System, Social Justice.
- **K. Satchidanand Murti** - Evolution of Philosophy in India.

3. **Classical Western Philosophy**

- Early Greek Philosophers — Ionians, Pythagoras, Parmenides, Heraclitus, Democritus, Sophists, Socrates.
- Plato — Theory of Knowledge, Theory of Ideas.
- Aristotle Critique of Plato's theory of Ideas, Theory of Causation, Form and Matter, Potentiality and Actuality.
- **Materialism of Epicurus and Lucretius.**
- St. Augustine— Problem of Evil.
- St Thomas Aquinas — Faith and Reason, the Existence of God, Problem of Evil.

4. **Modern Western Philosophy**

Rationalism :

- **Descartes :** Cartesian Method, Mind-body Interactionism.
- **Spinoza :** Substance, Attribute and Mode, The Mind-body Problem, Pantheism.
- **Leibniz :** Monadology.

Empiricism :

- **Locke :** Theory of Substance, Distinction between Primary and Secondary Qualities.
- **Berkeley :** Rejection of the distinction between Primary and Secondary Qualities, Esse est Percipii, Subjective Idealism.
- **Hume :** Impressions and Ideas, Induction and Causation, Scepticism.

5. **Critical Philosophy and After :**

- **Kant :** Possibility of Synthetic a priori Judgments, Phenomenon and Noumenon, The Ideas of Reason, Space, Time, Categories, Critique of Proofs for the Existence of God.
- **Hegel :** The Dialectical Method, Absolute Idealism.
- **Moore :** Refutation of Idealism, Defense of Commonsense, Philosophy and Analysis.
- **Russell :** Logic as the Essence of Philosophy, Logical Atomism.
- **Wittgenstein :** The Picture Theory,
- **Husserl :** The Husserlian Method, Intentionality.
- **Heidegger :** Critique of Technological Civilization.

- **Logical Positivism** : The Verifiability Theory of Meaning, Rejection of Metaphysics.
- **C. S. Pierce and William James** : Pragmatic Theories of Meaning and Truth.
- **G. Ryle** : Category Mistake.

6. **Socio-Political Philosophy**

- Social and Political Ideas: Equality, Justice, Liberty.
- Individual and State: Rights; Duties and Accountability.
- Forms of Government: Monarchy, Theocracy and Democracy.
- Political Ideologies: Anarchism, Marxism, Socialism
- Humanism, Secularism, Multiculturalism.
- Development and Progress.

7. **Symbolic Logic**

- Formal Proof of Validity
- Proving Invalidity
- Rule of Conditional Proof
- Rule of Indirect Proof of Validity

8. **Ethics**

- Ethics and Metaethics
- Teleological and Deontological Theories
- Cognitivism, Emotivism and Prescriptivism
- Nature and Scope of Applied Ethics
- Environmental Ethics
- Professional Ethics: Teaching, Business, Medical and Media Ethics