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(February)

PHILOSOPHY

(Honours)

(History of Modern Western Philosophy)

(PHILL–51)

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions

Answer *any* **five** questions

1. Discuss Descartes' 'method of doubt' as a means to attain clear and distinct knowledge.   15

2. How does Spinoza define substance and attributes? Is he advocating for monism?   12+3=15

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3. What does Leibniz understand by 'monad'? Explain his theory of monadology.   5+10=15

4. Write a critical estimate of Locke's distinction between simple and complex ideas.   15

5. Is Berkeley justified in saying that 'esse est percipi'? Give a critical estimate of it.   15

6. Critically examine Hume's distinction between impression and ideas.   15

7. How does Kant distinguish between synthetic and analytic judgments? Are synthetic a priori judgments possible? Give reasons.   7½+7½=15

8. Is there any 'necessary connection' between cause and effect? Discuss with special reference to Hume.   15

9. Give an account of Hegel's dialectical method.   15

10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

7½×2=15

(a)   Primary and secondary qualities

(b)   Categories of understanding

(c)   *Cogito-Ergo-sum*

(d)   Absolute idealism of Hegel

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