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HISTORY OF MODERN WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

- Unit – I : Descartes, Spinoza and Leibnitz
 (a) Descartes Method of Doubt
 (b) *Cogito Ergo Sum*
 (c) Spinoza's Substance, Attributes and Modes
 (d) Leibnitz's Monadology
- Unit – II : Locke and Berkley
 (a) Simple and Complex Ideas
 (b) Primary and Secondary Qualities
 (c) *Esse est Percipi*
- Unit – III : David Hume
 (a) Impressions and Ideas
 (b) Causality
 (c) Rejection of Metaphysics
- Unit – IV : Immanuel Kant
 (a) Possibility of Synthetic *a priori* judgements
 (b) Categories of Understanding
 (c) Phenomena and Noumena
- Unit – V : Hegel
 (a) Dialectical Method
 (b) Absolute Idealism

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PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

Unit – I : Introduction

- (a) Definition of Religion
- (b) Theology and Philosophy of Religion
- (c) Religion and Science

Unit – II : Foundation of Religious Belief

- (a) Reason
- (b) Faith
- (c) Revelation
- (d) Mystic Experience

Unit – III The Idea and Proofs for the Existence of God

- (a) Christianity
- (b) Hinduism(*Isvara*) and Buddhism
- (c) Tribal Religions
- (d) Proofs for the Existence of God

Unit - IV : The Problem of Suffering and Liberation

- (a) Christianity
- (b) Hinduism
- (c) Buddhism
- (d) Jainism

Unit - V : Some Socio-Religious Issues

- (a) Tolerance
- (b) Conversion
- (c) Secularism

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