

PHILOSOPHY

SCHEME OF EXAMINATION :

The Examination in Philosophy offered as a subject for the General Degree Examination in Arts shall consist of three papers of three hours each, selected by the candidate from among the following four papers :

Philosophy I (PHG 1) : General Psychology

Philosophy II (PHG 2) : Ethics

* Philosophy III (PHG 3) : Outlines of Indian Philosophy

Philosophy IV (PHG 4) : Outlines of Western Philosophy

PHILOSOPHY I (PHG 1): GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY

1. Nature, scope and methods of empirical psychology. Modern psychology in historical perspective and contemporary theoretical orientations. A special study of the following schools of psychology is desirable:- Behaviourism, Homic psychology, Gestaltpsychology, Psychoanalysis.
2. Cognitive processes. Basic principles in perception, learning and forgetting, and thinking, including concept formation and problem solving, conditions influencing cognition.
3. Individual differences. Theories of intelligence and human abilities, their measurement, growth and distribution. Elementary statistics. Relative influence of heredity and environment in behaviour.
4. Personality and Motivation. Instincts, drives, motives, emotions; their biological bases, modification and organization. Main concepts, theories and methods in the study of personality; personality and social development. The nature and causes of mental abnormality.
5. Social Psychology: its nature, scope, methods and the main problems.

RECOMMENDED READING:

- FRANK AND GELDARD — *Fundamentals of psychology*
OR
- N. L. MUNN — *Psychology* (4th ed.) Houghton
Mifflin Company. Boston.
- G. L. HUMPHRY — *Psychology Through Experiment.*
- R. S. PETERS (ed) — *Bratt's History of Psychology*
OR
- G. MURPHY — *A Historical Introduction to
Modern Psychology* (2nd ed.)
N. Y. Harcourt-Brace.
- JEAN PIAGET — *Psychology and Epistemology*
(Penguin 1972).
- T. STAGNER — *Psychology of Personality*
(2nd ed.)
- D. BINDRA — *Motivation*
- S. H. BARTLEY — *Principles of Perception.*
- M. H. MARX (ed) — *Theories in Contemporary
Psychology*
- J. E. DEESE — *Psychology of Learning* (2nd ed.)
- W. M. O. NEIL — *Method in Psychology* (Rev.ed.)
- S. S. STEVANS — *Handbook of Experimental
Psychology*
- P. E. VERNON — *Structure of Human Abilities.*
- R. W. WHITE — *The Abnormal Personality*
(Rev. ed.)
- M. D. VERNON — *Psychology of Perception* (Pelican)
- E. JOSEPH MCGRATH — *Social Psychology* (Holt, Rinehat
and Winston) 1964.

Students are recommended to consult most of the titles in the Pelican Psychology series and the Prentice-Hall, Foundations of Modern Psychology Series.

PHILOSOPHY II (PHG 2) : ETHICS

(i) Definition and Scope of Ethics

- (ii) Ethical theories: (a) Subjectivism and Objectivism
- (b) Naturalism, Non-naturalism and Emotivism
- (c) Motivist, Deontological and Consequence theories
- (d) Universalism and Relativism

(iii) Psychology of Moral Action

- (a) Voluntary and Non-voluntary actions and free will
- (b) Explanation of actions with reference to feeling, desire and pleasure.

(iv) Moral Concepts

- (a) Justice and Common Good
- (b) Duty and Obligation
- (c) Liberty and Equality
- (d) Punishment and Responsibility

(v) Religious Ethics

Ethics and Social Philosophy of Hinduism, Buddhism and Christianity.

RECOMMENDED READING:

- *The Dhammapada*
- *The Sigālovāda Sutta*
- S. RADHAKRISHNAN (Translation) — *The Bhagavadgītā*
- ARISTOTLE — *The Nicomachean Ethics*
- ST. AUGUSTINE — *The Basic Works of St. Augustine*
- KANT — *Critique of Practical Reason.*
- C. D. BROND — *The Five Types of Ethical Theory*
- P. H. NOWELL SMITH — *Ethics* (Pelican)
- W. PALEY — *The Principles of Moral and Political Philosophy*
- R. HARE — *The Language of Morals*
- C. L. STEVENSON — *Ethics and Language*
- G. J. WARNOCK — *Contemporary Moral Philosophy* (MacMillan)
- M. WARNOCK — *Ethics Since 1900*
- G. P. MALALASEKERA AND K. N. JAYATILLEKE — *Buddhism and Race Questions* (Unesco)

PHILOSOPHY III (PHG 3) : OUTLINES OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

1. Vedic Period

The Philosophy of the Vedas, the Brāhmanas and the Upanisads.

2. Early Post — Vedic Period

- (i) The Sceptics and the Ājīvakas
- (ii) Jainism
- (iii) Early Buddhism

3. Age of the Systems

- (i) Materialism (Cārvāka Darsana)
- (ii) Later Buddhist Schools
 - (a) The Mādhyanika
 - (b) The Vijñānavāda
 - (c) The Sautrāntika
 - (d) The Vaibhasika
- (iii) Nyāya - Vaiśeṣika
- (iv) Sāṃkhya - Yoga
- (v) Purva - Mīmāṃsā
- (vi) Vedānta
 - (a) Advaita
 - (b) Viśiṣṭādvaita
- (vii) Śaiva Siddhānta

RECOMMENDED READING :

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| CHATTERJEE AND DATTA | — | <i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy</i> |
| CHATTERJEE | — | <i>Nyaya Theory of Knowledge</i> |
| T. R. V. MURTI | — | <i>The Central Philosophy of Buddhism</i> |
| H. OLDEMBERG | — | <i>Budha</i> |
| K. N. JAYATILLEKE | — | <i>An Early Buddhist Theory of Knowledge</i> |

S. RADHAKRISHNAN

— *Indian Philosophy* (Translation)
Official Languages Department

M. HIRIYANNA

— *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*

Ven. SIRI SEEVALI

— *The Bhagavadgita*

Ven. SIRI SEEVALI

— *The Dhammapada*

S. G. M. WEERASINGHE

— *Bharatiya Tarke Pravesaya*
(Vidyānāṅkara University
Press Publication)

Ven. NARAWILA

DHAMMARATNA

— *Bharatiya Darsanaya* (Gunaśena)

PHILOSOPHY IV (PHG 4) :

OUTLINES OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

1. The Milesian Philosophers:

- (a) Thales
- (b) Anaximander
- (c) Anaximenes

2. Pythagoras and Pythagoreans

3. Heraclitus and Parmenides

4. The Greek Atomism (Democritus and Leucippus)

5. The Sophists and Socrates

6. Plato and Aristotle

7. Plotinus, Augustine and Aquinas

8. Rationalism

- (a) Descartes
- (b) Spinoza
- (c) Leibniz

9. Empiricism :

- (a) John Locke
- (b) George Berkeley
- (c) David Hume

10. Immanuel Kant

11. George Hegel

12. An Introduction to Contemporary Philosophy

13. G. E. Moore and Commonsense Realism

14. Bertrand Russell and Logical Atomism

15. A. J. Ayer and Logical Positivism
16. Wittgenstein and Linguistic Philosophy
17. Gilbert Tyle, P. F. Strawson and D. M. Armstrong
18. Jean - Paul Sartre and Existentialism
19. Marxism :

- (a) Marx and Engels
- (b) Lenin
- (c) Mao

RECOMMENDED READING:

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| BERTRAND RUSSELL | — <i>A History of Western Philosophy</i> (George Allen and Uniwu Ltd., London 1962 reprint,) |
| W. T. STACE | — <i>A Critical History of Greek Philosophy</i> , (Macimllan. London 1962 ed.) |
| JOHN BURNET | — <i>From Thales to</i> |
| FREDERICK COPLESTON | — <i>A History of Philosophy</i> (Burns Oates and Washbourne 1959 reprint) relevant volumes |
| J. PASSMORE | — <i>A Hundred Years of Philosophy</i> (Duckworth, London 2nd ed. 1956) |
| H. J. BLACKHAM | — <i>Six Existentialist Thinkers</i> (London 1952) |
| M. CORNFORTH | — <i>Dialectical Materialism</i> (1954) |
| V. AFANASYEV | — <i>Marxist Philosophy</i> (Progress Publishers, Moscow 1968) |
| A. D. P. KALANSURIYA | — <i>Research Papers Philosophy</i> (Lake House Printers and Publishers, Colombo 1972) |
| A. D. P. KALANSURIYA | — <i>Bertrand Russell saha Samakaleena Darsanaya</i> (Samayawardena Colombo 10. 1975) |
| A. D. P. KALANSURIYA | — <i>Darsanaya, Prathyaksaya saha Gnanaya</i> (Samayawardena Colombo 1974) |

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| A. D. P. KALANSURIYA | — <i>Greek Darsanaya</i> (Educational Publications Department, Colombo 7, 1971) |
| A. D. P. KALANSURIYA | — <i>Noothana Batahira Darsanaya</i> (Educational Publications Department, Colombo 7, 1973) |
| S. G. M. WEERASINGHE | — <i>Aristotle</i> (Vidyalankara Publication, Kelaniya 1972). |
| G. DHARMASIRI | — <i>Darsanika Prasna</i> (Education Publications Colombo) |
| BERTRAND RUSSELL | — <i>Batahira Darsana, Ithihasaya</i> (Educational Publications Department, Colombo 7, 1970) (Translation) |
| EARNEST MANDEL | — <i>An Introduction to Marxist Economic Theory</i> (Pathfinder Press Inc. New York, 1970) (Translations Marga Institute, P. O. Box. 601 Colombo) |
| L. WITTGENSTEIN | — <i>Philosophy Investigations</i> (Basil Blackwell, Oxford, 1953) |

POLITICAL SCIENCE

SCHEME OF EXAMINATION:-

The Examination in Political Science offered as a subject for the General Degree Examination in Arts shall consist of three papers of three hours each, as follows:

- Political Science I (PSG 1) : Political and Social Theory
- Political Science II (PSG 2) : Government of Sri Lanka.
- Political Science III (PSG 3) : Public Administration.

POLITICAL SCIENCE I (PSG 1) : POLITICAL AND SOCIAL THEORY

1. A broad survey of main currents in political thought.
 - (i) Ancient Indian: Kautilya, Buddhist theory of the origin of the State.
 - (ii) Greek - Plato and Aristotle.
 - (iii) Roman - Cicero
 - (iv) Mediaeval - St. Augustine and St. Thomas Aquinas