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FIRST YEAR (100 LEVEL) EXAMINATION IN BACHELOR OF ARTS  
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BPHE 102: EARLY BUDDHIST PHILOSOPHY

Answer **FIVE** questions only,

(The total number of questions in this paper is 10)

(Three Hours)

1. “The advent of Buddhism is a critical response to the extreme religious views prevalent in the pre-Buddhist Indian society.” Examine.
2. Explain the new interpretations introduced by Buddhism to the existing concepts of pre-Buddhism.
3. Present fundamental features of social philosophy of Buddhism.
4. Make an inquiry into the Buddhist analysis of the body (*kāya*) and mind (*citta*).
5. Explain the Buddhist standpoint in resolving the problem of determinism and free-will.
6. Examine to what extent it is reasonable to study Buddhism either as a religion or as a philosophy.
7. Explain the interrelationship of teachings on Kamma, Rebirth and Nibbāna.

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8. Analyze the relationship between morality and the way to Nibbāna.
  
9. Elucidate the philosophical problems emerged in relation to the Early Buddhist concept of impermanence.
  
10. Explain the Buddhist philosophical point of view regarding the nature of causality.

