

**MAGADH UNIVERSITY  
BODH-GAYA**



**COURSES OF STUDIES**

**For**

**B. A. I, II, III, Hons./Gen./Subsi.**

**IN PHILOSOPHY**

**B.A (Subsidiary) – Part I  
Philosophy – Paper I  
Indian Philosophy.**

1. Basic Characteristics of Indian Philosophy.
2. Charvaka – Epistemology, Metaphysics, Ethics.
3. Jaina – Substance, Jiva, Bondage, Liberation.
4. Bauddha – Four Noble Truths.
5. Nayaya – Epistemology (Sources of valid Knowledge), Proofs for the existence of god.
6. Vaisheshika – Seven Padarthas
7. Sankhya – Satkaryavada, Purusa, Prakriti, Relation between purusa and Prakriti, Theory of Evolution.
8. Yoga – Eight Fold Path.
9. Mimansa – Concept of Apurva
10. Advaita Vedanta (Shankara)- Brahman (Absolute), World, Maya, Atman (Self)
11. Vishistadyaita Vedanta (Ramanuja) – Brahman, Atman

**Book Recommended :**

1. Bhartiya Darshan – Chatterjee and Dutta.
2. --- Do ----- -Harendra Prasad Sinha
3. A critical Survey of Indian Philosophy – C.D. Sharma
4. Indian Philosophy – S. Radhakrishna.

**Distribution of Marks**

**5 out of 10 = 20x5=100**

**B.A. (Subsidiary) Part II**  
**Philosophy – Paper II**  
**Epistemology, Metaphysics and Ethics.**

1. Nature of Philosophy.
2. Theories regarding sources of Knowledge -----Rational Empiricism, Criticism.
3. Theories regarding ultimate Reality- Deism, Pantheism, Theism.
4. Nature of Ethics
5. Moral and Non-Moral Actions.
6. Postulates of Morality.
7. Nature of Moral Judgment.
8. Object of Moral Judgment –Motive, Intention.
9. Theories regarding standard of Morality – Hedonism, Regorism, Perfectionism.

**Book Recommended :-**

1. Gyan Mimansa evam Jattva Mimansa- Rajendra Prasad
2. \_\_\_\_\_Do\_\_\_\_\_ - Kedar Nath Tiwari
3. \_\_\_\_\_Do\_\_\_\_\_ - Ashok Kumar Verma
4. Achar shastra \_\_\_\_\_ - A.K. Verma
5. Nitishastra : Siddarta Evam Prayog – Nityananda Mishra
6. A Manual of Ethics – J.N. Sinha

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## **B.A. (Hons.) Part-I**

### **Philosophy Paper -1, Indian Philosophy**

1. Basic Features of Indian Philosophy.
2. Charvaka : Epistemology, Metaphysics, Ethics.
3. Jainism : Syadvada, Dravya, Jiva, Anekaitavada, Bondage and Liberation.
4. Buddhism : First, Second, Third and Fourth Noble Truth.
5. Nyaya : Epistemology – Pratyaksha, Anumana, Upamana, Sobda, Proofs for the existence of god.
6. Vaisesika : Padarth – Dravya, Guna, Karma, Samanya, Visesa, Samavaya, Abhava.
7. Sankhya : Satkaryavada, Purusa, Prakriti, Evolution, Bondage and Liberation.
8. Yoga : Eightfold Path, Concept of god.
9. Mimamsa : Apurva.
10. Advaita Vedanta (Sankara) : Brahman, World, Maya, Self (Atman).
11. Vishistadvaita Vedanta (Ramanuja) : Refutation of Sankara's Mayavada, Brahman, Self (Action).

#### **Recommended Books :-**

1. Bhartiya Darshan – Chattierjee and Dutta.
2. Bhartiya Darshan – Harendra Prasad Sinha.
3. A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy – C.D. Sharma
4. Indian Philosophy – S. Radhakrishnaon.
5. Indian Philosophy – S.N. Das Gupta.

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## **B.A. (Honours) Part - I**

### **Philosophy Paper II**

#### **Epistemology and Metaphysics**

1. Nature of Philosophy, Its relation with science and Religion.
2. Theories related to sources of knowledge – Rationalism, Empiricism and Criticism
3. Relation between knower and known – Realism, Epistemological Idealism,
4. Nature and number of Ultimate Reality –Materialism, Neutralism, Monism, Dualism, Pluralism.
5. Relation between god and world – Deism, Theism, Pantheism, Panentheism.
6. Creationism and Evolutionism – Darwin's theory of Biological Evolution.
7. Theories of Truth – Correspondence, Coherence, Programmatic
8. Causality – Aristotle, Mill, Hume.

#### **Recommended Books :**

1. Gyanmimansa evam Tattvamimansa – Rajendra Prasad
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Do \_\_\_\_\_ - Kedar Nath Tiwari
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Do \_\_\_\_\_ - Ashok Kumar Verma

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**B.A. (Honours) Part II**  
**Philosophy – Paper III**  
**Ethics.**

1. Nature of ethics.
2. Ethical concepts – Right, good, Duty, Obligation.
3. Moral and Non-Moral Actions.
4. Analysis of Voluntary actions.
5. Postulates of morality- personality, Reason, Freedom of will.
6. Nature of Moral Judgment.
7. Object of Moral Judgment –Motive, Intention.
8. Standards of Morality- External Law, Hedonism, Rigorism, Intuitionism, Perfectionism.
9. Theories of Punishment – Retributive, Deterrent or Preventive, Reformatory, Capital Punishment.
10. Indian Ethics – Varnashrama Dharma, Purushartha Nishkama Karma,.

**Books Recommended :**

1. Acharshastra - A.K. Verma.
2. Nitishastra - B.N. Singh.
3. A Manual of Ethics - Mackerjje.
4. \_\_\_\_\_DO\_\_\_\_\_ -J.N. Sinha.
5. An Introduction to Ethics - William Litter.
6. Nitishastra : Siddhanta Evam Prayog - Nityanand Mishra.
7. Nitishastra Ke Mool Sidhanta -Ved Prakash Verma.

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## **B.A. (Honours) Part II**

### **Philosophy- Paper IV**

#### **History of Modern Western Philosophy**

1. Basic features of the History of Modern Philosophy.
2. Rene Descartes – Method of Doubt, ‘Cogito Ergo Sum’, Substance, God, Mind-Body relation.
3. Benedict spinoza- Geometrical method, sustance, Attributes, Modes, Mind-Body Relation.
4. Gottfried Wilhelm Leibnitz- Monads, Pre-established Harmony.
5. Joha Locke – Empiricism : Refutation of the Theory of Innate Ideas, Simple and complex Ideas, Primary and secondary qualities, substance.
6. George Berkeley – Refutation of matter, Idealism esse est percipi.
7. David Hume – Impressions and Ideas, Cousaltheory, Scepticism.
8. Inomanuel Kant – Criticism, Space and Time, Phenomenon and noumenon.

#### **Book Recommended :-**

1. Paschatya Darshan ka Aitihashik Sarvekshan – Shobha Nigam.
2. Paschatya Darshan –B.N. Singh
3. Western Philosophy – Y. Mosih
4. A History of Western Philosophy- Bertraned Russill.
5. A History of Western Philosophy- Frederick Coplestan.
6. A History of Western Philosophy- Frank Thilly.

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**B.A. (Honours) Part – III**

**Philosophy – Paper V**

**Philosophy of Religion**

1. Nature of Religion, Relation of Religion to science, Morality and Theology.
2. Religions Consciousness.
3. Foundation of Religions Belief – Reasons and Faith, Revelation and Mystic Experience.
4. Forms of Primitive Religion – Manatism, Totamism, Animism, Fetishism and Spiritism.
5. Proof for the existence of God – Cosmological, ontological, causal, teleological and Moral.
6. God – Attributes and Personality.
7. Problem of Evil – Natural and Moral Evil, theistic solution to the problem of Evil.
8. Unity of Religion and Religious Tolerance.
9. Religious Conversion and Secularism.
10. Religious Language and its Meaning.
11. Proofs for the Immortality of Soul.

**Books Recommended :**

1. The Philosophy of Religion – G. Galloway.
2. -----Do----- - D.M. Edward
3. -----Do ----- -Joha Hick
4. An Introduction to Religious Philosophy – Y. Masih
5. Mysticism and faith – W. T. Stace
6. Introduction to the philosophy of Religion – John Caird.
7. Dharma Darshan – Prachaya evam PPashchatya- Yakub Masih
8. Dharma Darshan ki Ruprekha – Harendra Prasad Sinha.

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**B.A. (Honours) – Part III**

**Philosophy – Paper VI**

**Social and Political Philosophy**

1. Social philosophy- Its Nature and relation to sociology.
2. Relation between Individual and society.
3. Civic Duty.
4. Tradition and Modernity.
5. Caste and Class, Marriage and Divorce.
6. Private Property, Doctrine of Trusteeship.
7. Political Philosophy – Its Nature and its distinction from political science.
8. Political concepts ; Rights and Duties, liberty, Equality, Justice and power, Political Obligation.
9. Political Ideologies :- Democracy, Socialism, Marxism communism, Monarchy, Anarchy, Satyagraha, Sarvodaya.

**Books Recommended :**

1. Out lines of social Philosophy – J.S. Mackerjie
2. Social Philosophy for Beginners – R.N. Kaul.
3. Rajniti Shastra – V.P. Verma
4. Samaj Darshan Evam Rajniti Darshan – A.K. Verma
5. Samaj Darshan : Saidhantik evam Samasyatmak Vivechan – Dr. Hriday Narain Mishra.

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**B.A. (Honours) Part – III**

**Philosophy – Paper VII**

**Logic and Analysis**

1. Nature of Logic, Symbolic Logic - Its Characteristics and utility, Nature of Argument- Truth and validity, simple and compound statements, implication and Negation.
2. Argument and Argument forms, Determination of validity and Invalidity with the help of Truth Table.
3. Determination of Tautology, Contradiction and contingency by truth table.
4. Determination of Material and Logical Equivalence by truth table.
5. General introduction of Analysis – word meaning, Different meaning of the word "Meaning" figurative and emotive meaning.
6. Definition – its Nature, Definition by equivalent Definition by Denotation, Definition by connotation.
7. Concepts – Their formation, concepts and Images, concepts and experience.
8. Sentences and Propositions – Criteria of Sentence Meaning.

**Recommended Books :**

1. Symbolic Logic – I. M. Copi
2. Introduction to Logic – I.M. Copi
3. An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis –John Hospers.
4. Pratikatnak Tarkashastra – R.S. Mishra
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Do \_\_\_\_\_ - A.K. Verma

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**B.A. (Honours) Part III**

**Philosophy – Paper VIII**

**Group A.**

**Concepts of Indian Philosophy**

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|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Absolute and God       | 2. Self              |
| 3. Bondage and Liberation | 4. Karma and Rebirth |
| 5. World                  | 6. Maya              |
| 7. Dharma                 | 8. Cognition         |
| 9. Pramanya               | 10. Khyati           |
| 11. causation             | 12. Universal        |

**Group –B**

**Modern Indian hilosophy**

1. Swami Vivekanand – Absolute, Maya, Self, Four Yoga's (Gyan Yoga), Karma Yoga, Bhakti Yoga, Raja Yoga), Liberation, Universal Religion Practical, Vedanta.
2. Mahatma Gandhi – Truth and God, Means and Ends, Non-violence, satyagraha.

**Books Recommended :**

1. Bhartiya Darshan Ke Mool Sampratyaya – Karyanand
2. Samkalin Bhartiya Darshan – R.C. Sinha
3. Concepts of Indian Philosophy – N.V. Joshi
4. Contemporary Indian Philosophy – B.K. Lal
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Do \_\_\_\_\_ -B.K. Lal
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Do \_\_\_\_\_ = Margaret Chatterjee.

**Distribution of Marks**

**4 out of 8 = 25x4=100**