

**2023**

**Time - 3 hours**

**Full Marks - 80**

*Answer all groups as per instructions.*

*Figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.*

**GROUP - A**

1. Fill in the blanks. (all)

[1 × 12

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ is the cause of Bondage.
- (b) Aparavidya is \_\_\_\_\_ knowledge.
- (c) Brahman is the \_\_\_\_\_ reality according to upanishad.
- (d) Anumana means \_\_\_\_\_.
- (e) Prama is \_\_\_\_\_ knowledge according to Nyaya Philosophy.
- (f) \_\_\_\_\_ is the founder of Nyaya system.
- (g) \_\_\_\_\_ kinds of padarthas are accepted by Vaishesika system.
- (h) Karma is a \_\_\_\_\_ according to Vaishesika.
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_ kinds of pramanas are accepted by Nyaya.

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- (j) Maya is known as \_\_\_\_\_ according to Sankara.  
(k) \_\_\_\_\_ is the founder of Advaita Vedanta.  
(l) Ramanuja prescribes \_\_\_\_\_ marga for attaining liberation.

**GROUP - B**

2. Answer any eight of the following questions within two to three sentences each. [2 x 8]

- (a) What do you mean by 'Prama' ?  
(b) What is Vidya according to upanishad.  
(c) What is Inference ?  
(d) Define Vyapti.  
(e) What is padartha according to Vaishesika ?  
(f) What is Abhava ?  
(g) What is verbal-testimony ?  
(h) What is Iswar according to Ramanuja ?  
(i) What is verbal testimony ?  
(j) What is Nirguna Brahman according to Sankara.

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**GROUP - C**

3. Answer any eight of the following questions within 75 words each. [3 x 8]

- (a) Distinguish between Vidya and Avidya.  
(b) What is Adhyasa ?  
(c) What is shesavat anumana ?  
(d) What is God according to Nyaya ?  
(e) Svartha anumana – explain it.  
(f) How samanya as a category ?  
(g) How liberation is defined by Ramanuja ?  
(h) What is Pratyaksa ?  
(i) What is maya according to Sankara ?  
(j) What is Dravya ? Explain.

**GROUP - D**

Answer **all** questions within 500 words each.

4. How Atman is explained in the upanishad ? [7]

OR

Distinguish between Paravidya and Aparavidya.

5. Discuss the concept of pramā and apramā in Nyāya Philosophy. [7]

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OR

Discuss the different kinds of inference according to Nyāya.

6. Explain Vaishesika theory of categories. [7]

OR

'Verbal-testimony' is a source of knowledge. Explain.

7. Explain concept of Brahman according to Sankara. [7]

OR

Explain Ramanuja's views on maya and jiva.