

If the questions attempted are in excess of the prescribed number, only the questions attempted first up to the prescribed number shall be valued and the remaining ones ignored.

Answers may be given either in English or in Bengali but all answers must be in one and the same language.

GROUP - A

Answer any three questions

1. What is Democracy ? What is meant by Democratic Ideals ? Explain in this context the merits and demerits of Democratic Government. 5+15+20
2. What is meant by Secularism ? Do you think that Democratic states are Secular ? Discuss this question with reference to India. 10+10+20
3. What are the principal dualistic theories as regards the Mind-Body problem in philosophy ? Explain in brief. Explain and examine Philosophical Behaviorism in this context. 20+20
4. What is meant by Purusarthas ? Explain and examine all. Which of them would you like to choose as an end ? 30+10
5. Write short notes on any two of the following :-
 - (a) Gandhi's concept of Social Change.
 - (b) Reformative theory of punishment.
 - (c) Shallow ecology and Deep ecology.
 - (d) Ontological theory as a proof for the existence of God. 20+20

GROUP - B

Answer any two questions

6. What is the cause of discrimination in society ? Do you support the principles of Reservation as a means of compensating the discriminations ? 15+25
7. What is meant by 'Total War' and 'Terrorism' ? Are the actions of Terrosist Organisations justified in any time and in any place ? Do you think that Communalism and Terrorism are interlinked ? Give reasons. 20+10+10
8. What is meant by utilitarianism ? Give an account of the views of Bentham and Mill in this regard ? Which view is more tenable ? Give reasons. 10+20+10