# <u>The University of Burdwan</u> Syllabus for B.A. (General :1+1+1 Pattern) in Philosophy (with effect from 2010-2011 onwards)

# PART - I

PAPER - I:

#### INDIAN PHILOSOPHY (Minimum 100 Classes)

100 Marks

- 1. General Features of Indian Philosophy
- Carvaka : Perception as the only source of Knowledge, Refutation of inference, Dehatmavada
   Jainism : Anekantavada, Syadvada
- 4. Buddhism : Four Noble Truths, Ksanabhangavada, Nairatmyavada
- 5. Nyaya : Theory of Pramanas
- 6. Vaisesika : Seven Categories
- 7. Samkhya : Theory of Evolution, Nature and Proofs for the existence of Purusa and Prakrti
- 8. Yoga : Cittavrtti, Cittabhumi.
- 9. Mimamsa : Arthapatti, Anupalabdhi
  10. Advaita Vedanta : Nature of Brahman, Jiva and Jagat

#### **References :**

| A. | D.M. Dutta and S.C.Chatterjee | : | An Introduction to Indian Philosophy |
|----|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| B. | Pradyot Kumar Mondal          | : | Bharatiya Darsana                    |

| C. | Haridas Bandyopadhyaya | : | Bharatiya Darsana |
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| D. | Niradbaran Chakraborty | : | Bharatiya Darsana |
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# PART-II

## PAPER – II : WESTERN LOGIC AND METAPHYSICS Marks :100

#### Half-I : Western Logic (Minimum 50 Classes)

Marks: 50

Classes and their relations, Boolean interpretation of A. E. I. and O Propositions, Square of Opposition, Existential Import of Propositions, Conversion, Obversion, Syllogism, Figure and Mood, Venn Diagrams, Test of Truth-functional Arguments by Truth-Tables

### Half-II: Western Metaphysics (Minimum 50 Classes) Marks: 50

Nature of Metaphysics, Elimination of Metaphysics, Realism: Naïve and Scientific, Idealism: Subjective and Objective, Theories of Causation: Regularity Theory and Entailment Theory, Substance: Views of Descartes, Spinoza, Locke and Berkeley; Relation between Mind and Body, Interactionism and Parallelism, Theories of Evolution : Mechanistic and Emergent

#### **References :**

| А. | I. M. Copi & C. Cohen : | <i>Introduction to Logic</i> (9 <sup>th</sup> Edition) [Relevant Chapters] |
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- B. Indra Kr. Roy : Pratiki Nyaya
- C. Pradip Sengupta : An Introduction to Philosophy
- D. Sibapada Chakraborti : An Introduction to General Philosophy
- E. Rama Prasad Das & Sibapada Chakraborty : Paschatya Darsaner Ruparekha
- F. Ramchandra Pal : Darsana Parichaya
- G. Niradbaran Chakraborti : Paschatya Darsaner Bhumika

#### Half-I : Indian Ethics (Minimum 50 Classes)

Purusarthas, Vidhi, Nisedha, Dharma : Sadharana Dharma and Visesa Dharma (Svadharma), Karma : Nitya and Naimittika, Niskama Karma, Buddhist Ethics : Pancasila and Ahimsa, Jaina Ethics : Anubratas and Mahabratas

#### Half-II : Western Ethics (Minimum 50 Classes) Marks:50

Nature of Ethics: Its Concerns, notions of Good, Right and Duty, Nature and Object of Moral Judgement, Standards of Morality: Hedonism, Utilitarianism and Kant's Categorical Imperative, Theories of Punishment

#### **References :**

| A. | I.C. Sharma                          | :  | The Ethical Philosophy of India |
|----|--------------------------------------|----|---------------------------------|
| B. | Jagadischandra Ghosh                 | :  | Bhagavadgita                    |
| C. | Damodar Ashram (ed)                  | :  | Prasastapadabhasya              |
| D. | Sukhamoy Bhattacharyya               | :  | Purvamimamsa Darsana            |
| E. | P.B. Chatterjee                      | :  | Principles of Ethics            |
| F. | W. Lillie                            | :  | An Introduction to Ethics       |
| G. | Piyushkanti Ghosh and Sanjib Ghosh : |    | Nitividya                       |
| H. | Diksit Gupta                         | :  | Nitividya                       |
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PART – III

## PAPER–IV: RELIGION AND SOCIAL PHILOSOPHY

Marks : 100

Marks: 50

#### Half-I: Religion (Minimum 50 Classes)

Nature of Religion, Distinction between Religion and Dharma, Different Types of Religion: Hinduism, Islam, Christianity and Buddhism, Humanism as a form of Religion, Religion and the State: the principle of Secularism

#### **References :**

- 1. D. Mial Edwards : The Philosophy of Religion
- 2. The Complete Works of Swami Vivekananda, Vol.-II
- 3. SwamiVivekananda : The Chicago Address
- 4. J.S. Mackenzie : Outlines of Social Philosophy
- 5. Rabindranath Tagore : Religion of Man

#### Marks: 100

Marks : 50

#### Half-II : Social Philosophy (Minimum 50 Classes)

Definition and Subject-matter, Meaning of Education, Education as a right and obligation, Current Social Problems: Justice and Equality, National Integration, Marriage and Divorce, Ahimsa

#### **References:**

- 1. Simon De Beauvoir : The Second Sex
- 2. J.S. Mackenzie : Outlines of Social Philosophy
- 3. R.S. Peters (ed) : The Philosophy of Education
- 4. J. Dewey : Experience and Education
- 5. M.K.Gandhi : Non-violence in Peace and War