

**Course Code of B.A. (Hon's) Philosophy Syllabus.-**

Course Code		I Semester: Course Title	Nature of Course	Credit
BAO	111	Indian Philosophy-I	Core	3
BAO	112	Western Philosophy-I	Core	3
<b>II Semester: Course Title</b>				
BAO	121	Indian Philosophy-II	Core	3
BAO	122	Western Philosophy-II	Core	3
<b>III Semester: Course Title</b>				
BAO	211	Ethics	Core	3
BAO	212	Logic **	Core	3
BAOE	211	Yoga Darshana	Elective	3
BAOE	212	An introduction to Applied Ethics	Elective	3
<b>IV Semester: Course Title</b>				
BAO	221	Philosophy of Religion	Core	3
BAO	222	Social and Political Philosophy	Core	3
BAOE	221	Philosophy of M.K. Gandhi	Elective	3
BAOE	222	Philosophy of Science and Spirituality	Elective	3
<b>V Semester: Course Title</b>				
BAO	311	Indian Epistemology	Core	3
BAO	312	Western Epistemology	Core	3
BAO	313	Contemporary Indian Philosophy- I	Core	3
BAO	314	Contemporary Western Philosophy- I	Core	3
BAOE	311	Symbolic Logic **	Elective	3
BAOE	312	Tarka Bhasa (Pramana Prakarana Only)	Elective	3
BAOE	313	An Introduction to Political Philosophy	Elective	3
BAOE	314	Asian Philosophy and Religion	Elective	3
<b>VI Semester: Course Title</b>				
BAO	321	Indian Metaphysics	Core	3
BAO	322	Western Metaphysics	Core	3
BAO	323	Contemporary Indian Philosophy-II	Core	3
BAO	324	Contemporary Western Philosophy-II	Core	3
BAOE	321	Language, truth and Logic (Introduction + Chapter I, II, III, & VI)	Elective	3
BAOE	322	Indian Philosophy of Language	Elective	3
BAOE	323	Indian Religion	Elective	3
BAOE	324	Independent Reading*	Elective	3

- Semester III and IV students can opt any **one elective** option mentioned in their respective semesters subject to availability of teachers in that option.
- Semester V and VI students can opt any **two elective** option mentioned in their respective semesters subject to availability of teachers in that option.

\* Details of the course will be announced at the beginning of the academic session subject to the availability of teachers.

\*\* These papers are common with soft skill in the respective semesters.

**Semester I**  
**BAO- 111**  
**Indian Philosophy (1)**

**Unit I**

Nature of Darśana, Classification of Indian Philosophy, Characteristics of Indian Philosophy, Distinction between Darśana and Philosophy.

**Unit II**

Introduction to the Vedas. Upanishads: Brahaman and Ātman.  
Bhagavadgītā: Jñānayoga, Karmayoga and Bhakti yoga.

**Unit III**

Lokāyata: Metaphysics, Epistemology and Ethics.  
Jainism: Nature and Classification of Reality, Syādavāda, Anekāntavāda.

**Unit IV**

Buddhism: Four Noble Truths, Pratityasamutpāda, Anātmavāda (No-soul theory), Theory of Momentariness, Nirvāna.

**Suggested Readings :**

1. Dutta & Chatterjee : An Introduction to Indian Philosophy, University of Calcutta, 1968
2. Sharma, C.D. : A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy, MLBD, New Delhi 1973
3. Radhakrishnan, S. : Indian Philosophy, Vols. I, (also Hindi version) Rajpal & Sons, New Delhi 1966
4. Tiwari, D.N. : The Upaniśadic View of Life, Uma Books, Varanasi, 1986.
5. Dasgupta, S.N. : A History of Indian Philosophy, Vol. I, Moti Lal Banarsi Das, Delhi, 1975.
6. Devaraja, N.K. (ed.) : Bhāratīya Darśana (Hindi), UP. Hindi Grantha Academy, 1975
7. Upadhyay, Baladeva : Bhāratīya Darśana (Hindi) Sharada Mandira, Varanasi (Reprint, 1997)
8. Dayakrishna: : Indian Philosophy, Oxford University Press, 1996.
9. Pandey, S..L. : Bhāratīya Darshana Ka Sarveksana, Allahabad, (Hindi), 1994.
10. M. Hiriyanna, : Outlines of Indian Philosophy, George Allen and Unwin, London-1932, Motilal Banarasidas, Delhi, 1994 (Also Hindi Version)

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**Semester-I**  
**BAO- 112**  
**Western Philosophy (1)**

**UNIT-I**

Origin and Nature of Greek Philosophy, chief characteristics of Western Philosophy, The ultimate principles in Ionic and Pythagorean schools, Being in Eleatic School, Heraclites' doctrine of Becoming, Empedocles' doctrine of Elements.

**UNIT-II**

Anaxagoras' doctrine of Nous, Atomic theories of Leucippus and Democritus, Main principles of Sophists, The Socratic Method, Plato's Theory of Knowledge, Doctrine of Ideas,

**UNIT-III**

Aristotle: Criticism of theory of ideas, Matter and form, causality,

**UNIT-IV**

St. Augustine's Theory of Knowledge, the Problem of Evil,

Thomas Aquinas's view of God, Distinction between faith and Reason.

**Suggested Readings**

1. Will Durant, A story of Philosophy, Simon & Schuster, 1926 & Pocket Books, New York, 2006
2. Bertrand Russell, A History of Western Philosophy, Union paper Backs, London, 1987
3. Frank Thilly, History of Western Philosophy, Central Book Depot, Allahabad, 1975
4. Daya Krishna Ed. Paschayatya Darshana Vol. 1-2, Rajasthan Hindi Granth Academy, 1988.
5. Stace, W.T.: A Critical History of Greek Philosophy Macmillan, New Delhi, 1985
6. Masih, Y. - A Critical History of Western Philosophy, Motilal Banarasidas, Delhi, 1994
7. C.D.Sharma: Paschatya Darshana, Motilal Banarasidas, 1992
8. Srivastava, Jagdish Sahai: Adhunik Pascatya Darshana ka Vaijnanika Itihasa, Pustak Sthan, Gorakhpur, 1973.
9. Singh, B.N., : Paschatya Darshan, Students Friends and Co. Varanasi, 1973.
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**Semester II  
BAO- 121  
Indian Philosophy (II)**

**Unit 1**

Sāṅkhya : Puruṣa, Prakṛti, Kaivalya, Theory of Evolution, Satkāryavāda.

Yoga: Eight fold path.

**Unit II**

Nyāya : Pramāṇas, Proofs for the Existence of God.

Vaiśeṣika: Padārthas, Atomism.

**Unit III**

Mīmāṃsā: Dharma, Apūrva.

Advaita Vedānta: Brahman, Māyā, Mukti.

**Unit IV**

Viśiṣṭādvaita : Brahman, Māyā, Mukti

**Suggested Readings :**

1. Dutta & Chatterjee : An Introduction to Indian Philosophy, University of Calcutta, 1968
2. Sharma, C.D. : A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy, Motilal Banarasidas, New Delhi, 1973
3. Radhakrishnan, S. : Indian Philosophy, Vols. II , Rajpal & Sons, New Delhi, 1966
4. Dasgupta, S.N. : A History of Indian Philosophy, Vol. II, Motilal Banarasidas, Delhi, 1975.
5. Devaraja, N.K. (ed.) : Bhāratīya Darśana (Hindi), UP. Hindi Grantha Academy, 1975
6. Upadhyay, Baladeva : Bhāratīya Darśana (Hindi), Sharda Mandir, Varanasi, (1997, reprint)
7. Pandey, S.L. : Bhāratīya Darshana Ka Sarveksana, Allahabad, (Hindi), 1994
8. M. Hirriyanna : Outlines of Indian Philosophy, George Allen and Unwin, London-1932, Motilal Banarasidas, Delhi, 1994 (Also Hindi Version)

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**Semester II**  
**BAO- 122**  
**Western Philosophy (II)**  
**UNIT-I**

**Descartes:** The Problem of Descartes Philosophy, Method of doubt, Cogito Ergo sum, concept of substance, Proofs for the Existence of God, Mind- Body Problem.

**Spinoza:** Refutation of Descartes conception of substance, concept of substance, attribute and mode, God and Pantheism.

**UNIT-II**

**Leibniz:** Theory of Monads and Pre -established Harmony.

**John Locke:** Refutation of Innate ideas, Theory of Knowledge, Substance, Primary and Secondary Qualities.

**UNIT-III:**

**George Berkeley:** Criticism of Materialism, Esse Est Percipi and Subjective Idealism

**David Hume:** Culmination of Empiricism, Refutation of Metaphysical entities and Causality, Skepticism

**UNIT-IV**

**Immanuel Kant's** Reconciliation of Rationalism and Empiricism, Space and Time, Phenomena and Noumena.

Hegel: Dialectic Method, Absolute

**.Suggested Readings**

1. Bertrand Russell, A History of Western Philosophy, Union paper Backs, London, 1987
2. Frank Thilly, History of Western Philosophy, Central Book Depot, Allahabad, 1975 .
3. Falkenberg, Richard: History of Modern Philosophy, Progressive Publishers, Calcutta, 1977
4. Daya Krishna Ed. Paschayatya Darshana Vol. 1-2, Rajasthan Hindi Granth Academy, 1988
5. Masih Y. : A Critical History of Western Philosophy, Motilal Banarasidas, Delhi, 1994
6. C.D.Sharma: Paschayatya Darshana, Motilal Banarasidas, 1992
7. Srivastava, Jagdish Sahai: Adhunik Pascatya Darshana ka Vaijnanika Itihasa, Pustak Sthan, Gorakhpur, 1973.
8. Falkenberg, Richard: History of Modern Philosophy, Progressive Publishers, Calcutta, 1977
9. Singh, B.N., : Paschatya Darshan, Students Friends and Co. Varanasi, 1973.

**Semester III  
BAO- 211  
Ethics**

**Unit-I**

Nature, scope and method of Ethics.

Ethical concepts: Good, Right, Duty, Value, Postulates of Morality, The Nature and object of Moral Judgment

**Unit-II**

Psychological and Ethical Hedonism, Utilitarianism of Bentham and J.S. Mill, Deontological theory,

**Unit-III:**

Kant's moral Law and Good will, Perfectionism, theory of reward and punishment.

**UNIT-IV**

Conception of Purusārtha, Vedic Concept of Rta And R̥ṇa

**Suggested Readings:**

1. डॉ नित्यानंद मिश्र : नीतिशास्त्र (सिद्धान्त तथा प्रयोग) Motilal Banarasidas, 2005
2. डॉ वेद प्रकाश वर्मा : नीतिशास्त्र के मूल सिद्धान्त, Allied Publication, Delhi, 1977
3. डॉ अशोक कुमार वर्मा : नीतिशास्त्र के सिद्धान्त Motilal Banarasidas, Delhi (1977, Reprinted)
4. संगमलाल पांडे : नीतिशास्त्र का सर्वेक्षण (सेन्ट्रल पब्लिशिंग हादस, इलाहाबाद-2005)
5. Panigrahi. S.C. : Issues In Indian Ethics, Dept of SAP in Philosophy, Utkal University, Orissa, 2006.
6. Rogers, A.P. : History of Ethics
7. डॉ दिवाकर पाठक : भारतीय नीतिशास्त्र, Bihar Hindi Granth Academy, Patna, 1974
8. S.K. Maitra, : Ethics of Hindus, University of Calcutta, 1978
9. Lillie, William, : An Introduction to Ethics (allied Publisher, Indian Reprint 1955)
10. Joshi, Shanti, : Nitishastra, Rajkamal Prakashana Pvt.Limited, Delhi, 1963.

**Semester III**  
**BAO- 212**  
**Logic\***  
**UNIT-I**

**Introduction :** Nature of Logic, Propositions, Arguments and their forms, Deduction and Induction, Truth and Validity.

Categorical Propositions and Classes, Quality, quantity and distribution of terms, Traditional Square of Opposition, Immediate inference.

**UNIT-II**

**Categorical Syllogism:** Standard form of Categorical Syllogism, The Formal Nature of Syllogistic Argument,

Venn-Diagram Technique for Testing Syllogism, Rules and Fallacies.

**UNIT-III**

Propositional Logic, Basic Truth-functions of the Propositional Calculus, Testing arguments by truth table method. Relation between Truth functions,

**UNIT-IV**

Inductive Reasoning and Probability, Simple Enumeration and Analogy.

Mill's Methods of Experimental Enquiry.

**Suggested Readings:**

1. Copi & Cohen : Introduction to Logic, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition, Pearson Education Inc, 2002
2. Copi & Cohen: Tarkashastra: Eka Parichaya, Hindi Translation of Introduction to Logic, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition, Pearson Education, 2006
3. Strawson, P.F. : Introduction to Logical Theory, London: Methuen and Co., 1952
4. Cohen and Nagel : Introduction to Logic & Scientific Method, Allied Publishers Ltd., New Delhi, 1990
5. Copi : Tarkasastra Ka Parichaya (Hindi translation by Sangam Lal Pandey & Gorakh Nath Mishra). Asia Book Company, Allahabad, 2002
6. Chakraborti Chhanda: Logic: Informal, symbolic and Inductive, Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi-2007.
7. Seth, Shyam Kishor and Mishra, Neelima, Tarkshastra Eka Adhunika Parichaya, Lokabharati, Allahabad, 2004

*\* The course is offered as soft skill also.*

### **Semester III**

#### **BAOE- 211 Yoga -Darśana**

##### **Unit-I:**

Meaning of Yoga, Nature of Citta (Mind) and Cittabhumi.

##### **Unit-II:**

Nature and forms of Cittavṛttis, Samprajñāta and Asamprajñāta samādhi

##### **Unit-III:**

Method of Cittavṛttinirodha: Abhyāsa-Vairāgya, Kriyāyoga, and Eight Fold Yoga (Astāngayoga).

##### **Unit IV**

Nature of Kleśa, God and Kaivalya.

#### ***Suggested Readings:***

1. Dasgupta, S. N., *Yoga Philosophy in Relation to other systems of Indian Thought*, MLBD, 1974.
2. Dasgupta, S.N., *History of Indian Philosophy*, Vol.V, Cambridge, 1922.
3. Dasgupta, S.N., *Yoga as Philosophy and Religion*, MLBD, 1973.
4. Swami Hariharananda Aranyaka : Bhasvati ( SamkhyaYoga Darshanam, Chowkhambha Sansktit Series, Varanasi,1970.
5. Swami Brahmalina Muni: *Patanjala Yoga Darśana* (in Hindi), Chowkhambha Sansktit Series, Varanasi, 1970.
6. Srivastava, Suresh Chandra: *Patanjal Yoga Darshana*(Hindi commentary), Chowkhambha Surabharti Prakashan, Varanasi,
7. Mitra, Rajendra Lal: *Yoga Aphorism with Commentary of Bhoja*, Asiatic Society of Bengal.
8. Swami Vivekanand, Rajyoga, Ramakrishna Mission, Nagpur, 1990.
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1979.

**Semester III  
BAOE- 212**

**An Introduction to Applied Ethics  
Unit-I**

Normative Ethics and Applied Ethics, theories of Anthropocentrism, Egocentrism and Cosmocentrism in Applied Ethics.

Bio-technology and Ethical problems, family and marriage organization, Ethical problems related to birth control, moral-religious consequences, abortion, Gender-discrimination, suicide and euthanasia, AIDS.

**Unit-II**

Concept of Environmental Ethics, Satisfaction of Human needs and exploitation of nature, Shallow Ecology and Deep Ecology, environmental Scepticism, The relation between natural and moral order.

**Unit-III**

The industrial garbage and the problem of their reprocessing, Environmental problem and alternative Energy sources. The philosophical and scientific models for Global development.

**Unit-IV**

The Concept of professional and business-ethics, choice of professions and principle of right livelihood (samyakājīva), institutional loyalty and moral commitment. I- Thou model for dealing with public.

Profession as service to humanity and God, my station and its duties, professional stress and tension, conditioning of human behavior, sacrifice charity, austerity and meditation as purifiers of human conduct, philosophic religious and yogic techniques for de-conditioning and liberation of man,

**Suggested Readings**

1. Curry, Patrick Ecological Ethics (Polity Press, 2006)
2. Capra, F. Turning Point (Fontana Paper Books, 1982).
3. Chadwick, R. (ed.) Encyclopedia of Applied Ethics (Academic Press 1998).
4. Greighton, H.C. (Tr.), Philosophy and Ecological problems of Civilization (Progress publishers, Moscow, 1983)
5. Bayres, M.D. (1989) Professional ethics (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.) Belmont, C.A. : Wadsworth.
6. Singer, P. (1979). Practical Ethics (Cambridge : Cambridge University Press)
7. Gillon, R. (1986). Philosophical Medical Ethics (Chichesler/New York : Wiloy).
8. Bhagvad-Gita, Gita Press, Gorakhpur, 2006.
9. Frankena, William K., Ethics (Prentice Hall of India 1973).
10. Lillie, William, An Introduction to Ethics. (Allied publishers), Indian Reprint 1975)
11. Focult, Michel, The birth of clinic (Tr. London 1971 and New York 1973).
12. Sindh, K.P. Environmental Ethics, B.H.U. Press, Varanasi

13. Mishra, Nityanand, Nitishastra, (in Hindi), MLBD, 2006.

**BAO- 221**  
**Philosophy of Religion**  
**Unit-I**

Nature and scope of philosophy of religion, Concept of Philosophy, Concept of Religion, Relationship between religion and philosophy, Theology and Philosophy of Religion.

**Unit-II**

Definition, origin and development of Religion, Ancestor Worship, Manaism, Totemism, Magic and Religion, Religion and morality, Religion and science.

**Unit-III**

Concept of God: Theism, Deism, Pantheism, Polytheism and Monotheism, God and Absolute. The arguments to prove the existence of God: Ontological, Cosmological, Teleological and Moral arguments.

**Unit-IV**

Grounds of Religious knowledge: Faith, Intuition, Reason, Revelation and its validity. The problem of religious language: symbolic and analogical theories. The problem of evil, nature and kinds of evil, the problem of Evil and its Solution.

**Suggested Readings:**

1. Edwards, D.M. : Philosophy of Religion, Progressive publisher, Calcutta, 1968
2. Caird, John : An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion, Chatterjee and Co., Calcutta, 1956 .
3. Frederick,F. : Basic Modern Philosophy of Religion, New York, Charles Sceribners, 1967.
4. Ducasse,C.J. : A Philosophical Scrutiny of Religions, The Ronold Press Co., New York, 1953.
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6. ;k- elhg] % /keZ n'kZu izkP; o ik'pkR;] eksrhyky cukjlhnkl] iVuk] 1973
7. Dasgupta, S.N. : Religions and The Rational outlook, Motilal Banarasidass, Delhi, 1974.

Semester- IV  
BAO- 222  
**Social and Political Philosophy**

**UNIT-I**

Nature and scope of social and Political Philosophy, Relation between individual and society.

Individual: Nature of Man,

**UNIT-II**

Society: the natural basis of community, social institutions: Family, Marriage, and Religion.

Socio-centric Vs. Atman centric perspective-the two predicaments.

**UNIT-III**

Contemporary Indian Social Thinkers:

Gandhi: The Critique of Modernity, concept of Political obligation, Sarvodaya

Dr. Ambedkar: Critique of Hindu Social order, Neo-Buddhism

Nehru: Concept of scientific temper, Humanism, democratic, Socialism.

**UNIT-IV**

Humanism, Multiculturalism, Secularism.

**Suggested Readings**

1. Sabine George : A History of Political Theory, Oxford IBH, 1973, 4<sup>th</sup> edition
2. Raphael D.D. : Problem's Political Philosophy. Oxford University Press, 1978
3. Singh, B.N, Samaj Darshan Evam Rajaniti Darshan, Asha Prakashan, Varanasi
4. Beck R.N. : Perspective in Social Philosophy, Machmillan, 1964.
5. Mishra H.N. : Samaj Darshana, Allahabad
6. Saya Krishna: Social Philosophy: Past and Future, Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, 1978.
7. Vermon Von Dyke, Political Science: A Philosophical Analysis, Stanford, Stanford university press, 1960.
8. ओ०पी० गाबा: राजनीति सिद्धान्त की रूपरेखा, मयूर पेपर बैक्स, दिल्ली, 2001.
9. Hind Swaraj,
10. Pandey, S.L., Samaj Darshana ki eka Pranali, Allahabad
11. J.S.L.Srivastava, Samaj Darshan ki Bhumika, Viswavidyalaya Prakasan, Varanasi

Semester- IV

**BAOE- 221**

**Philosophy of M.K. Gandhi**

**Unit-I:**

Background of Gandhian Philosophy, Truth, God, Relation of Man to God, Ahimsa(Non-violence) , Means and ends.

**Unit-II:**

Concept of Religion and Education, Varnāśramadharma. Ekadasavrata,

**Unit-III:**

Critique of Modern Civilization, Economic Equality. Concept of Trusteeship, Swadesi,

**Unit IV**

Satyagraha, Ideal Governance, Swaraj, Sarvodaya, Nationalism and Internationalism.

***Suggested Readings :***

1. Datta, D. M. : The Philosophy of Mahatama Gandhi (Hindi English translation)  
Toronto, University of Wisconsin, 1953.
2. Dhawan, G. N. : The Political Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi. The popular book  
Depot, 1946
3. Pandey, Sangamlal : Gandhi Ka Darsana (Hindi).
4. Patrik, B: Political Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi.
5. Prasad, Mahadeva: Social Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi, Vishwavidyalaya  
Prakashan, 1958
6. Gangadhar,D.A. Mahatma Gandhi's Philosophy of Brahmacharya, New Delhi,  
1984
7. Lal,B.K. Contemporary Indian Philosophy, MLBD, 2002.

Semester- IV  
BAOE- 222  
**Philosophy of Science and Spirituality**

**Unit-1**

Nature of Science, History of Science in East and West, Relation between Mathematics, Science and Technology, Natural Science and Social Science, Hermeneutics and Technology, Nature and Scope of Philosophy of Science and Technology.

**Unit-II**

Nature of knowledge, Nature and objects of Scientific Knowledge, Characteristics of Scientific Method, Role of experiments in verification and construction of scientific theories.

**Unit-III**

Origin and Fate of the Universe, Big-bang theory, Concepts of Causality, Emergence and Feed-back, Characteristics of Science of cybernetics, Man and Machine.

**Unit-IV**

Spiritual understanding of scientific progress in the light of the following works:  
Swami Vivekanand's Rāja-Yoga (only introductory part), J. Krishnamurti, On Education (Chapter IIInd only), Sri Aurobindo's Sāvitri (only chapter X, canto II & III).

**Suggested readings**

1. Hawking, S.W. , A Brief History of Time (1988)
2. Caws, Peter, The Philosophy of Science (Van Nostrand Company Inc. 1965)
3. George, F.H. Philosophical Foundation of Cybernetics (ABCOS Press 1979).
4. Makarov, I.M, Cybernetics of living matter (L Mir publishers Moscow 1987)
5. Swami Vivekanand, Rajayoga, Ramakrishna Mission, Nagpur, 1990.
6. Sri Aurobindo: Savitri, Sri Aurobindo Asram, Pondicerry.
7. J. Krishnamurti, On Education, Krishnamurti Foundation, Rajghat, Varanasi
8. Russell, B., The Scientific outlook (Indian Reprint 2010 London, New York.)
9. Bloom E. Floyed (ed.)Frontiers in Science and Technology (Prentice-Hall of India, New Delhi, 1985 )



**BAO- 311**  
**Indian Epistemology**

**Unit I :**

Nature of knowledge (Jñāna):. Difference between Pramā (valid cognition) and Apramā, main characteristics of Pramā, forms of Apramā (invalid cognition), Theories of Truth (Prāmāēavāda): Svatahprāmānyavāda (Theory of Intrinsic validity): Mimamsā view and Paratahprāmāēyavāda (Theory of Extrinsic Validity): Nyāya view.

**Unit-II**

Theories of error (Khyātivāda) : Asatkhyātivāda, Ātmakhyātivāda, Anyathākhyativāda, Akhyātivāda and Anirvacaniyakhyātivāda

**Unit-III**

Sources of valid cognition (Pramānas): Perception (Pratyakṣa) : The nature of perception and its different forms (Jaina and Nyāya view only). Inference (Anumāna) : Nyāya view only: Nature and forms of inference, grounds of inference (Vyāpti and Pakṣadharmatā), Fallacies of inference (Hetzvabhāsa) .

**Unit-VI**

Verbal testimony (Śabda), Comparison (Upamāna) : Presumption (Arthāpatti) and Non-apprehension (anupalabdhi).

***Suggested readings:***

1. Dutta, D.M. : The six ways of knowing, University of Calcutta, 1997
2. Chatterjee, S.C. : The Nyāya theory of knowledge, University of Calcutta, 1965
3. Bhatt, G.P. : Epistemology of the Bhatta School of Purvamimamsa, Chowkhambha Sanskrit Series 1962
4. Vidyabhusana, S.C. : History of India Logic, Motilal Banarasidas, 1971.
5. Prasad Jwala : History of India Epistemology, Munshiram Manoharlal, Delhi, 1958
6. Matilal B.K. : Perception Clarendon Press, Oxford 1986
7. Kar, B : Indian theories of error, Delhi Azanta Books International,

1990(Reprint 1989)

8. Sinha Nilima : Bhāratīya Pramanamimamsa,  
Motilal Banarasidas, Delhi,  
2005.

9. Sharma N.K. : Bhāratīya Darshanik Samasyayen,  
Rajasthan Hindi

Granth Academy, 1984.

10. C. D. Bijalvan : Bhāratīya Nyāyaśāstra, Uttar Pradesh Hindi Sansthana,  
Lucknow, 1983.

Semester-V  
**BAO- 312**  
**Western Epistemology**

**Unit-I:**

Nature of knowledge, Distinguishing ‘knowing that’ from ‘knowing how’, Definition of knowledge.

The Gettier Problem, The Structure of knowledge (Foundationalism and Coherentism)

**Unit II:**

Kinds of knowledge: a priori and a posteriori.

Sources of knowledge: Sense-experience, Reason, Authority, Intuition and Revelation.

**Unit III:**

Subject-Object Relation: Idealism (Subjective idealism), Realism (Naïve Realism, Representative realism, Neo-realism & critical realism)

Limits of knowledge: Scepticism and Agnosticism.

**Unit IV:**

Nature of truth, Criteria of truth and Bearers of truth, Correspondence Theory of truth.

Coherence theory of truth and Pragmatic theory of truth.

**Suggested Readings**

1. Ewing A.C. : The Fundamental Questions of Philosophy, Allied Publishers, New Delhi, 1984.
2. Patrick G.T.W. Introduction to Philosophy, Surjeet Publications, Delhi, 1978.
3. Hospers John : An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis, Allied Publishers, New Delhi, 1983.
4. Prasad Rajendra: Darshanshastra ki rooprekha, Shukla Book Depot, Patna, 1993.
5. Tiwari K.N. : Tattva-mimamsa evam jnanamimamsa, M.L.B.D., Delhi, 1986.
6. Seth S.K. & Mishra N. : Jnana-Darshan, Lokbharati Prakashan, Allahabad, 2000.
7. Chisholm Roderick M: Theory of Knowledge, Prentice-Hall of India Private Ltd., New Delhi,  
1992.
8. Pollock John L: Contemporary Theories of Knowledge, Hutchinson, London, 1987.

**BAO- 313**  
**Contemporary Indian Philosophy-1**

**Unit I**

Background and characteristics of Contemporary Indian Philosophy,

**Unit II**

Swami Vivekananada: God, Māyā, Spirit, Liberation,

**Unit III**

M.K. Gandhi: Truth, Non-violence, Satyāgrah, Means and End,

**Unit IV**

R.N. Tagore: Reality, Māyā, Soul, Humanism.

**Suggested Readings:**

1. Mahadevan, T.M.P. and Saroja, G.V. : **Contemporary Indian Philosophy.**
2. सक्सेना लक्ष्मी: ( सम्पा.): समकालीन भारतीय दर्शन, उत्तर प्रदेश हिन्दी ग्रन्थ अकादमी, लखनऊ, 1974
3. Haridas Bhattacharya: The cultural heritage of India Vol, IVth Ramakrishna mission Calkatta, 1956.
4. Lal, B.K. : Contemporary Indian Philosophy (Hindi & English versions), Motilal Banarasidas, Varanasi, 2009.
5. Narvane, V.S. : Modern Indian Thought (Hindi & English translation), Asia Publishing House, Bombay, 1964.
6. Srivastava, R.S.: Contemporary Indian Philosophy, Munishi Ram Manohar Lal, Delhi, 1965.

## **Contemporary Western Philosophy (I)**

### **Unit-I :**

The Absolute Idealism of F. H. Bradley, Appearance: Primary and secondary qualities; substantive and adjective, relation and quality, causation, appearance and Reality.

### **Unit-II:**

Pragmatism: C.S. Pierce's theory of meaning, William James' Radical empiricism, Conception of Reality and theory of truth, John Dewey's Instrumentalism, Meliorism.

### **Unit-III :**

Marxism: Dialectical Materialism, Revolution and state,

Chief Characteristics of Existentialism, Sartre's on Freedom and Responsibility

### **Unit IV**

Major concepts of Phenomenology: Noesis, Noema, Intentionality, Epoche and Reductionism,

### **Suggested Readings:**

1. Pass more, J. : Hundred years of philosophy (Hindi Translation by C.M. Sharma), Hindi Prakashan Vibhaga Rajasthan Vishwavidyalay, Jaipur, 1966.
2. Passmore, J. : Recent Philosophers, Penguin Books, 1968
3. Copleston : Contemporary Philosophy,
4. Dutta, D. M. : Chief currents of contemporary Philosophy, The University of Calcutta, 1970.
5. Lal, B.K. : Samakalin Pascatya Darsan (Hindi), Motilal Banarasidas, 1996
6. Saxena, Lakshmi, ed. Samakalina Pasctya Darśana (Hindi), U.P. Hindi Sansthan, 1991.
7. Mishra, Nityanand: Samakalina Pascatya Darśana (Hindi) Motilal Banarasidas, 2006.
8. F.H., Bradely: Appearance and Reality, Oxford University Press, Oxford, London, New York, 1969.

9. Tiwari, K.N.: *Tattva-mimamsa evam jnanamimamsa*, M.L.B.D., Delhi, 1986.

Semester-V  
**BAOE 311**

## **Symbolic Logic\***

(The paper is common with BAOS 352 Symbolic Logic (soft skill) \*)

### **Unit I**

**Introduction:** Nature of Logic, Symbolic Logic and Classical Logic, The Use of Symbols.

Inference and Implication.

### **Unit II**

**Propositional Calculus:** Propositional Logic, Basic Truth Functions of the Propositional Calculus. Truth Table Method, Relation between Truth Functions, Paradoxes of Material Implication.

### **Unit III**

**Methods of Deduction:** Formal Proof of Validity, Rules of Inference, Rules of Replacement. Proof of invalidity, Inconsistency and Shorter Truth Table Technique.

### **Unit IV**

**Quantification Theory:** Singular Propositions and General Propositions, Predicates, Quantifiers.

Traditional Subject- Predicate Propositions.

### **Suggested Readings :**

- (1) Copi & Cohen : Introduction to Logic, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition, Pearson Education Inc, 2002
- (2) Copi & Cohen: Tarkashastra: Eka Parichaya, Hindi Translation of Introduction to Logic, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition, Pearson Education, 2006
- (3) Copi : Tarkashastra Ka Parichaya (Hindi translation by Sangam Lal Pandey & Gorakh Nath Mishra). Asia Book Company, Allahabad, 2002
- (4) Basson, A.H. and O Connor, D.J. : Introduction to Symbolic Logic, Third edition, 1959, Indian Impression by Oxford University Press, Culcutta, 1981
- (5) Copi, I.M. : Symbolic Logic (Fifth Edition), Pearson Education Inc 1979, First Indian Impression, 2006,
- (6) Suppes, P : Introduction to Logic, Princeton N.J., 1957,
- (7) Chakraborti Chhanda: Logic: Informal, symbolic and Inductive, Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi, 2007.

\* The course is common with soft skill.

Semester-V

**BAOE- 312**

**Textual Study**

**Tarka Bhāṣā** (Pramāṇa Prakaraṇa only)

## An Introduction to Political Philosophy

### Unit-I

Nature and scope of Political Philosophy, Political ideologies: Democracy, Communism, Socialism, Fascism, Sarvodaya,

### Unit-II

Plato's ideal state, Aristotle's view on the Nature of family, property, slavery and the state,

### Unit-III

The idea of sovereignty: The Marxist theory of state, Pluralist theory of sovereignty, sovereignty nation-state and globalization,

Political obligation: different notions of political obligation, political obedience as self determinism, Non-consensual obligation,

### Unit-IV

Liberalism: Concept of liberalism, Functions of the state, doctrine of laissez faire,

The concept of law, justice and equality, Terrorism and Global peace.

#### **Suggested Readings**

1. George, H. Sabine : A history of political theory, oxford, IBH, 1973, 4<sup>th</sup> edition
2. D.D. Raphael : The problems of political philosophy, oxford university press, 1978.
3. Vernon-Von dyke : Political science: A philosophical analysis, Stanford, Stanford university press, 1960.
4. Mishra, H.N. : Samaj-Rajneeti Darshan, Allahabad, 1998.
5. Krishna Roy, Chhaanda Gupta: Essay in Social and political philosophy, ICPR, 1989.
6. Daya Krishna : Social philosophy: Past & Future, Indian Institute of Advance Studies, Shimla, 1978
7. ओ०पी० गाबा : राजनीति सिद्धान्त की रूपरेखा, मयूर पेपर बैक्स, दिल्ली, 2001
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Semester-V  
BAOE- 314  
**Asian Philosophy and Religion**  
**Unit-I**

The importance of Asian Philosophy and Religion in the world culture, close relation between moral law and natural law, moral law as universal protector of the harmonious interests of all beings, The whole world as a single family. Family- Ethics of India, China, Korea and Japan, suffering as unifying principle (Gotra) of the whole humanity, The doctrine of Prajña and Mahākarunā, Bodhisattvas' families and their determination to turn hell into heaven.

**Unit-II**

The ideal of self realization in Hinduism, The distinction between Pravrtti-Mārga and Nivṛtti-Mārga, the importance of Nivṛtti-Mārga in Jainism and Buddhism, Jaina doctrine of tri-ratna and Buddhist doctrine of four noble truths,

The path of devotion and nature of ultimate reality in Saivism, Vaisnavism and Sikhism,

**Unit-III**

Confucianism: Classics of Confucianism, Concept of Jen, Shu, Li and Chun-tzu, characteristics of the native pon-religion of Tibbat and the native Shinto-religion of Japan

Taoism: Meaning and Nature of Tao, Relationship of Tao and Teh, Concepts of Wei-wu-wei, Hsu and Fan

**Unit-IV**

Theravada and Mahayana schools of Buddhism, Buddhagosh contribution to Buddhism and characteristics of sheela in south-east Therāvāda Buddhism, the characteristics of Samatha and Vipasyanā in Vermeese Buddhism.

The characteristics of the Mahayana schools of China, Japan and Korea, The elements of Zen Buddhim: Satori, Koan, Emptiness and Meditation, Pure-Land tradition and worship of Amitābha in China and Japan, The cult of Avalokiteshvara in central Asia and his worship in China, chief characteristics of Buddhism in Himalayan Regions, characteristics of Tantrāyāna Buddhism practiced in Tibbat.

***Suggested Readings :***

1. Bell, Sir Charles, The Religion of Tibbat, (Oxford at the Clarendon Press, 1938 reprinted 1968),
2. Chain Aenneth, Buddhism in China, A historical Survey, (Princeton University Press, New jersey 1972).
3. Dharmanand, K.Sri, Treasure of the Dharma, (Malaysian ed. 1994),
4. Jurji, Edward J., The great Religions of the Modern World.
5. Cleary, J.C. (Translated)Pure Land and Pure mind (New York, Sanfrancisco, Toronto, IIInd reprint 1994),
6. Sujuki, D.T., An Introduction to Jain Buddhism, Rider London-1969,
7. Dayal, Har, Twelve Religions and Modern Life (Kalyani Press, Ludhiana-1983,
8. Bhandarkar, R.G., (Tr.) Vyas Umashankar, Vaishnav, Shaiv and other Religion, (Indological Book House, Delhi-1978,
9. Hastings, James (ed.) Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics,

**Semester VI**  
**BAO- 321**  
**Indian Metaphysics**

**Unit-I**

Basic concepts of Metaphysics: Materialism, Realism & Idealism.

The nature of physical world: Atomism, Prakṛti and Māyā.

**Unit-II**

Theories of causation: Pratityasamutpāda,  
Asatkāryavāda, Satkāryavāda and Vivartavāda.

**Unit-III**

Nature and Proofs for the existence of God. (Nyāya- Vaiśeṣika and yoga philosophy). The Nature of Absolute (Brahman) according to Advaita Vedanta.

**Unit IV**

Concept of self: Cārvāka, Jainism, Buddhism, Sāṅkhya, Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika and Advaita Vedanta.

***Suggested readings :***

1. Hiriyanna, M. : Indian Philosophical Studies Kavyalaya Publishers, Mysore, 1957
2. Raja C.K. : Some fundamental problems in Indian philosophy.
3. Phillips, Stephen H : Classical Indian Metaphysics, Motilal Banarasidas, 1997
4. Sinha, J. N. : Indian Realism, Motilal Banarasidas, Delhi, 1972
5. Radhakrishnan S. : Indian Philosophy -Vol I and II( Hindi Trans.), Rajpal & Sons, New Delhi, 1966.
6. Shastri, D. N. : Critique of Indian Realism
7. Sharma, N.K. : Bhāratīya Darshanik Samasyayen (Hindi) Rajasthan Hindi Granth, Academy, 1984.

**Semester VI**  
**BAO- 322**  
**Western Metaphysics**

**Unit-I :**

The concept of metaphysics, the nature and problems of metaphysics, The need for metaphysics,

Causation: Regularity theory, Entailment theory & Activity theory.

**Unit-II**

Universals and Particulars: Concept of universal, Concept of particular, Theories of universals; Realism, Nominalism and Conceptualism.

**Unit III :**

Concept of Substance: Aristotle, Rationalists, Empiricists and Kant.

**Unit IV**

Greek Theories of Soul (Plato, Aristotle). Mind-Body problem: Interactionism, Occasionalism, Parallelism, Double aspect Theory, Epiphenomenalism, Philosophical Behaviorism, Identity theory & Person Theory.

**Suggested Readings**

1. Ewing A.C: The Fundamental Questions of Philosophy Allied Publishers, New Delhi, 1984.
2. Grayling A.C. : Philosophy : A guide through the subject, O.U.P., 1996.
3. Patrick G.T.W. Introduction to philosophy, Surjeet Publications, Delhi, 1978.
4. Prasad Rajendra : Darshanshastra ki rooprakha, Shukla Book Depot, Patna, 1993.
5. Tiwari K.N. : Tattva-mimamsa evam jnanamimamsa, M.L.B.D. Delhi, 1986.
6. Taylor Richard: Metaphysics, Prentice-Hall of India Private Ltd., New Delhi, 1994.
7. Conee E. and Sider T.: Riddles of Existence, Clarendon Press, Oxford, 2005.
8. Bhatnagar R.S., (ed.): Darshanik Samasyayen: Tattvamimamsa, Rajasthan Hindi Granth Akademy, Jaipur, 1987.
9. Heil John: Philosophy of Mind: A contemporary Introduction, Routledge, London, 2002.

Semester-VI  
BAO- 323  
**Contemporary Indian Philosophy-II**

**Unit I**

Sri Aurobindo: Absolute, Supermind, Involution, Evolution,

**Unit II**

S. Radhakrishnan: Absolute, Spirit, Intellect and Intuition,

**Unit III**

K.C. Bhattacharya: Concept of Philosophy.

**Unit IV**

Mohammad Iqbal: God, Self, Intuition,

**Suggested Readings:**

1. Mahadevan, T.M.P. and Saroja, G.V.: Contemporary Indian Philosophy
2. Narvane, V.S. : Modern Indian Thought (Hindi & English), Asia Publishing House, Bombay, 1964.
- 3- **ewfrZ] IfPpnkuUn ¼IEik0½ ledkyhu Hkkjrh; n'kZu]**
4. Lal, B.K. : Contemporary Indian Philosophy (Hindi & English versions), Motilal Banarasidas, Varanasi, 2009.
5. **nwcs] mes'k pUnz% Jh vjfoUn ,oa czsMys dk ijerUookn] uUn fd'kksj ,.M cznI[Z] okjk.klhA**
6. गंगाधर, डी०ए०: सर्वपलिल राधाकृष्णन् का धर्म एवं दर्शन, कला प्रकाशन, वाराणसी।
7. सक्सेना लक्ष्मी:(सम्पा.): समकालीन भारतीय दर्शन, उत्तर प्रदेश हिन्दी ग्रन्थ अकादमी, लखनऊ, 1974

**Semester VI**  
**BAO- 324**  
**Contemporary Western Philosophy-(II)**

**Unit-I:**

Moore: Defence of common sense, Refutation of Idealism. Russell: Logical Atomism  
Names and description, Wittgenstein: Picture theory of meaning.

**Unit-II:**

Logical Positivism, Verification principle, refutation of Metaphysics.  
The difficulties of Logical positivism.

**Unit-III :**

Wittgenstein: Use theory of meaning, Nature of Philosophical problems, Language game, Critique of Private language.

**Unit IV**

Gilbert Ryle: Category mistake, knowing How and Knowing That,  
J.L Austin : Performatives and Constantives, Speech acts-locutionary, illocutionary and perlocutionary.

**Suggested Reading**

1. Passmore, J. : Hundred years of philosophy ( Hindi Translation by C. M. Sharma), Hindi Prakashan Vibhaga Rajasthan Vishwavidyalay, Jaipur, 1966.
2. Passmore, J. : Resent Philosophers, Penguin Books, 1968
3. Copleston : Contemporary Philosophy
4. Dutta, D. M. Chief currents of Contemporary Philosophy, The University of Calcutta, 1970.
5. Lal, B.K. : Samakalina Pashcatya Darśana (Hindi), Motilal Banarasidas, 1996
6. Mishra, Nityananda: Samakalina Pascatya Darśana (Hindi), Motilal Banarasidas, 2007.

7. Sexena, Lakshmi, : Ed. Samakalina Pashcatya Darśana, U.P. Hindi Sansthan, 1991.

**Semester VI**

**BAOE- 321**

**Textual Study**

**Language, Truth And Logic:** A.J.Ayer (Introduction + Chapter 1, II, III and VI)

**Semester VI**  
**BAOE- 322**

**Indian Philosophy of Language\***

**Unit-I:**

Definition of śabda, Kinds of śabda, Theories of Emergence of Dhvani, Basic unit of language, Kinds of Dhvani : (1) Prākṛta Dhvani (2) Vaikṛta Dhvani, Metaphysical perspective of language: Parā, Paśyantī, Madhyamā & Vaikharī, Eternity and non-eternity of śabda,

**Unit-II**

Śabdaśaktigraha, Meaning of word: Individual, Universal, Word- meaning Relation.

**Unit-III :**

Condition of sentential Cognition: Ākāṅkṣā, Yogyatā, sanniddhi, Tātparya, Theories of sentential meaning: Abhīhitānvayavāda, Anvitābhidhānavāda, Akhandavākyārthavāda, Tātparyavāda.

**Unit-IV**

Sphoṭa theory of language: patterns of manifestation of Sphoṭa:

Theories regarding process of manifestation of Sphoṭa.

**Suggested Readings:**

1. Tiwari, D.N.: The Central Problems of Bhartṛhari's Philosophy, ICPR, New Delhi. 2008
2. Jha, H.M.: Trends of Linguistic Analysis in Indian Philosophy, Choukhambha Vidya Bhawan, Varanasi, 1981
3. Pandey, R.C.: The Problem of Meaning in Indian Philosophy:MLBD, 1963.
4. Kunjhuni Raja, Indian Theories of Meaning: Adyar library & Research center,1963.
5. Vākyapadīya-Brahmakāṇḍa- Tr. in English by K.A.S.Ayer, Poona, and in Hindi by S.C. Awasthi, Choukhambha Vidya Bhawan, Varanasi.
6. Sastri, Gauri Nath A Study in the Dialectics of Sphoṭa, MLBD, New Delhi,1980
7. B.K.Matilal, Epistemology, Logic and Grammar In Indian Philosophical Analysis. The Hague, Mouton, 1971.
8. Mishra, K.P.: Bhāratīya Bhāsa Darshana:, Kala Prakashan, Varanasi.
9. Thakur, D.N. : Arthavijñāna ki Bhāratīya Parampara aur Adhunika Sandarbha, Jagannath Prakashana, Patna.1999.

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\* This course is offered both in English and Hindi medium as elective in the semester V & VI also). The students are required to opt this course only once in any of the semesters (V or VI).

## **Semester VI**

### **BAOE- 323 Indian Religion**

#### **Unit-I**

Hinduism : sources: Veda, Vedāngas, Upaniṣads, Epics and Purānas, Kalpaśūtras, Purusārtha), Rta, Rna, Dharma, Pilgrimage, Bhakti movement Vaiṣnavism and Saivism.

#### **Unit-II**

Jainism: background, the life of Mahavira, Triratna, Svetāshwara-Digambara, Anuvrata-Mahābrata, atheism.

#### **Unit-III**

Buddhism : background, Buddha's life, four noble truths, Hinayāna, Mahāyāna, ideal of Bodhisattva, Arhat, Nirvāna.

#### **Unit-IV**

Sikhism: History and Sources, Life of Guru Nanak, Mūlamantra, ethics and social aspects of Sikhism.

#### **Suggested Readings:**

1. उपाध्याय बलदेव	: आर्य संस्कृति, शारदा मंदिर, 1945
2. Goswami, B.K., Varanasi,	: Bhakti Cult in ancient India, Chowkhamba Sanskrit Series, 1965
3. Sarma, D.S.	: Hinduism Through the Ages, Bhāratīya Vidya Bhawan, 1973
4. Jaini, J.	: Outlines of Jainism, Cambridge, 1940.
5. Sinha, H.P. 1973	: Dharma Darśana Ki Rupa rekha(Hindi), Bharati Bhawan, Patna,
6. George, E.	: Buddhism, its Essence and Development, Philosophical Library, 1954.
7. Singh, Jodh.	: The Religious Philosophy of Guru Nanak, Motilal Banarsi Das, New Delhi-1983.
8. Sarswati, Baidyanath	: The Eternal Hinduism, D.K. Printworks, India, 2004.
9. Sharma, C.D.	: Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy, Motilal Banarasidas, Delhi, 1964
10. Bhandarkar, R.G.	: Vaisnavism, Saivism and Minor Religious Systems, Strassberg 1913.
11. Bhattacharya, H.D. 1956	: Cultural, Heritage of India, Vol. IV. Ramkrishna Mission, Calcutta

12. Mehta, Mohan Lal : Outline of Jain Philosophy, Jain Mission society, Bangalore, 1955 (Also Hindi)

**Semester VI**

**BAOE- 324**

**Independent Readings**

Details of the course will be announced at the beginning of the academic session subject to the availability of teachers.