

5/H-20 (vi) (Syllabus-2015)

2018

(October)

PHILOSOPHY

(Honours)

(**Philosophy of Religion**)

(PHIL : 52)

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

Answer **any five** questions

1. Define religion. Is philosophy of religion a branch of philosophy? Explain the relation between religion and science. $3+2+10=15$
2. What do you mean by faith? Are matters of faith drastically opposite to reason/ rationality? Explain critically the distinction between reason and faith. $5+2+8=15$

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3. What is mystic experience? Is mysticism a ground for proving deity existence? Discuss. $5+10=15$
4. Is it necessary to have God's existence? Briefly examine the theories related to proofs for God's existence. $2+13=15$
5. Can we call the Christian concept of God as monotheistic? Is it different from the Hindu concept of God (Isvara)? Justify your answer. $7\frac{1}{2}+7\frac{1}{2}=15$
6. Explain the concept of suffering and liberation in Hinduism and Buddhism. Is suffering a necessary criterion for liberation? Justify your answer. $10+5=15$
7. What do you mean by religious tolerance? Explain the significance of religious tolerance in contemporary world. $5+10=15$
8. What is secularism? Explain and examine the issues related to secularism. Should we practice secularism? $3+10+2=15$
9. What is conversion? Is religious conversion necessary? Give reasons in support of your answer. $3+2+10=15$

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10. Write short notes on any two of the following : $7\frac{1}{2}\times 2=15$
- (a) Distinction between theology and religion
- (b) Idea of God in any tribal religion of India
- (c) Forms of revelation
- (d) Suffering in Jainism
