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FOR

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SECTION-A

Introduction to Research Methodology

- 1. Selection of Topic and Preparation of Synopsis
- 2. Identification and Use of Texts (Books and Articles for Research and Preparation of Bibliography

SECTION-B

Computer Application

- 1. Introduction and Application of Computer in Data Collection
- 2. Introduction of Search Engines for Research

SECTION-C

Review of Literature

- 1. Dialectical Method
- 2. Philosophical Texts: Isha Upanishad

SECTION-D

Survey of Literature

- 1. Field work: Problems and Methology
- 2. Survey of Research in Philosophy in the Universities of Panjab

Suggested Readings:-

- 1. Anderson, Jonathan & Others, *Thesis and Assignment Writing*, Wiley Easter Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1971.
- 2. Arrington, Robert L. (ed), *The World's Great Philosophers*, Blackwel Publishing Co., Australia, 2003.
- 3. Berlin, Issaiah, Age of Enlightenment, New American Library, New York, 1956.
- 4. Blackwood, R.T., & A.L. Herman, *Problems in Philosophy*, Prentice-Hall, INC, N.J., 1975.
- 5. Emmett, E.R., Learning to Philosophize, Penguin, Harmondsworth, 1968.
- 6. Feigl, Herbert & Wilfrid Sellars, (eds.), *Readings in Philosophical Analysis*, Appleton Century-Crofts, INC., U.S.A., 1949.
- 7. Hampshire, Stuart (ed.), Age of Reason, New American Library, New York, 1984.
- 8. Hume, R.E., *The Thirteen Principal Upanishads*, Oxford University Press, New York, 1975.
- 9. Leary, Zina O., *The Essential Guide to Doing Research*, Vistaar Publications, New Delhi, 2004.
- 10. Radhakrishnan, S., *The Principal Upanishads*, George Allen & Unwin, London, 1969.

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SECTION-A

Philosophy of History

- 1. Philosophy of History: Nature and Scope
- 2. Structure of Historical Explanations, History and Historiography

SECTION-B

Philosophy of Science

- 1. Philosophy of Science: Nature and Scope
- 2. Philosophical Problems of Contemporary Science

SECTION-C

Philosophy of Religion

- 1. Philosophy of Religion: Nature and Scope
- 2. Problems of Philosophy of Religion

SECTION-D

Philosophy of Language

- 1. Philosophy of Language: Nature and scope
- 2. Problems of Philosophy of Language

Suggested Readings:-

- 1. Carr, E.H., What is History, Harmondsworth, Penguin, 1972.
- 2. Frank, P., Philosophy of Science, Englewood Chiffs, Prentice-Hall, New Jersy, 1957
- 3. Galloway, G., *Philosophy of Religion*, T & T. Crark, Edinburgh, 1960.
- 4. Sheppard, Anne, *Aesthetics: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Art*, Oxford University Press, London, 1987.
- 5. Hear, Anthony O', *An Introduction to Philosophy of Science*, Oxford University Press, London, 1993
- 6. Hick, John, *Philosophy of Religion*, Prentice Hall, New Delhi, 1978.
- 7. Hintikka, Jakko & Patrick Suppes (eds.), Aspects of Inductive Logic, Amsterdam, 1966.
- 8. Nisbet, Robert A., Social Change and History: Aspects of the Western Theory of Development, Oxford, London, 1975.
- 9. Walsh, W.H., *An Introduction to Philosophy of History*, Hutchinson University Library, London, 1967.

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SECTION-A

Classical Indian Approach

- 1. Classical Indian Approach: An Introduction
- 2. Approach of Orthodox Systems
- 3. Approach of Heterodox Systems

SECTION-B

Classical Western Approach

- 1. Classical Western Approach: An Introduction
- 2. Approach of Greek Philosophers
- 3. Approach of Medieval Philosophers

SECTION-C

Modern Approach

- 1. Modern Western Approach: An Introduction
- 2. Rene Descartes
- 3 Spinoza.

SECTION-D

Modern Approach

- 1. Modern Indian Approach: An Introduction
- 2. B.R. Ambedkar
- 3. Vivekanand

Suggested Readings:-

- 1. Ambedkar, B.R., *Writings and Speeches*, Vol. (Relevant Sections) I, Education Dept., Govt. of Maharashtra, Bombay, 1979.
- 2. Barlingay, S.S. & Padma B. Kulkarni, *A Critical Survey of Western Philosophy*, Macmillan, Delhi, 1980.
- 3. Blackwood, R.T. & A.L. Herman, *Problems in Philosophy*, Prentice-Hall, INC, N.J., 1975.
- 4. Chatterjee, S. and Datta, *Introduction to Indian Philosophy*, University of Calcutta, Calcutta, 1968.
- 5. Fuller, B.A.G., A History of Philosophy, Oxford & I B H Publishing Co., New Delhi, 1955.
- 6. Mohanty, J.N., Classical Indian Philosophy, Oxford University, New Delhi, 2002.
- 7. Parekh, Bhikhu, *Gandhi: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2005.
- 8. Reddy, V.N.K., Eastern and Western Philosophy, Bharatiya Vidya Prakashan, Delhi, 1980.

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SECTION-A

Social Philosophy: An Introduction

- 1. Social Philosophy: Nature and Scope
- 2. Social Organizations and Social Ethics

SECTION-B

Key Issues in Social Philosophy

- 1. Key Issues in Social Philosophy: Individual, Groups and Society
- 2. Human Rights and Responsibility
- 3. Social Equality and Social Justice

SECTION-C

Gender Studies

- 1. Gender Studies: Nature and Scope
- 2. Phases of Feminist Consciousness, Women Empowerment

SECTION-D

Social Equality and Justice

- 1. Social Equality
- 2. Social Justice

Suggested Readings:-

- 1. Bhavani, Kum-Kum, *Feminist Futures: Reimagining Women*, Culture and Development, Zed Books, New York, 2003.
- 2. Chandra, U., *Human Rights*, Law Agency Publications, Allahabad, 2000.
- 3. Das, Bhaswati & Vimal Khana, *Gender Issues in Development*, Rawat Publication, New Delhi, 2009.
- 4. Macrae, Duncan, *The Social Function of Social Science*, Yale University Press, London, 1976.
- 5. Sinha, Ajit Kumar, *New Dimensions of Women Empowerment*, Deep & Deep Publications, New Delhi, 2008.