



**COOCH BEHAR PANCHANAN BARMA UNIVERSITY**  
B.A. Honours 1st Semester Examination, 2020, held in 2021

**PHILOSOPHY**

**OUTLINES OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY-I**

**CORE-1**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.  
All symbols are of usual significance.*

**Answer any two questions from the following**

20×2 = 40

1. Why, for Cārvāka, inference is not valid source of knowledge? Explain. 20
2. Explain the Nyāya Theory of Perception. Distinguish between *Savikalpaka* and *Nirvikalpaka pratyakṣa*. What are the grounds for accepting *Nirvikalpaka pratyakṣa*? Discuss. 5+10+5
3. What are the major arguments in favour of the Buddhist *nairātmanvāda*? How do they justify the phenomenon of rebirth? Discuss. 15+5

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**HISTORY OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHICAL THOUGHTS-I**

**CORE-2**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

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**Answer any two questions from the following**

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1. Explain Aristotle's doctrine of Form and Matter. Does the distinction between the actual and the potential follow from the distinction between Form and Matter? Discuss. 10+10 = 20
2. Explain, after Descartes' the dualism concerning mind and matter. What is Spinoza's reaction to such explanation? 12+8 = 20
3. Explain Leibniz's doctrine of monads. 20

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