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Fifth Semester

B.A Philosophy

B21PH05DC – Philosophy of Sreenarayanaguru

(2023 January Admissions)

Time: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 70

Section A

Answer any ten of the following questions in a word or sentence each. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. What is meant by Atman in Vedanta?
2. Define Brahman.
3. What do the terms Sat–Cit–Ananda signify?
4. What is Maya according to Vedanta?
5. Point out the philosophical background of Guru's thought.
6. What is the primary theme of the Atmopadesa Satakam ?
7. What is meant by experiential knowledge in Guru's philosophy?
8. Explain Advaita.
9. What is the role of consciousness in Guru's philosophy?
10. What is meant by mysticism?
11. What is Ananda in spiritual experience?
12. What is the meaning of epistemology?
13. What is the concept of non-self-according to Guru?
14. What is paradox in philosophy?
15. What is self-manifestation of Atman?

(1X10=10)

Section B

Answer any ten of the following questions in two or three sentences each. Each question carries 2 marks.

16. Explain the concept of Brahman in Vedanta.
17. Briefly describe the Vedantic view of the world.
18. What is the significance of Maya in spiritual inquiry?
19. How does Guru reconcile rival philosophical positions?
20. Explain the importance of personal experience in Guru's philosophy.

21. What is meant by the tree structure in Atmopadesa Satakam?
22. Discuss the origin of knowledge according to Guru.
23. What are the methods of knowledge recognised in Guru's philosophy?
24. Explain the concept of validity of knowledge in Guru's thought.
25. How does Guru reinterpret Advaita?
26. What is meant by wonder in Guru's philosophy?
27. Explain the role of paradox and mystery in Guru's philosophy.
28. What is the relation between reason and mysticism in Guru's thought?
29. Briefly describe mysticism in Janani Navaratna Manjari.
30. What is meant by the distinction between Self and Non-Self?

(2X10 =20)

Section C

Answer any five of the following questions in a paragraph each. Each question carries 4 marks.

31. Explain how Guru's philosophy reconcile the two rival positions.
32. Analyse wonder and proof in Guru's philosophy.
33. Examine the structural features of Guru's philosophy with reference to Atmopadesa Satakam.
34. Briefly examine the epistemological framework in Guru's philosophy.
35. Explain the scientific status of Sankara's Advaita and Guru's revalued Advaita.
36. Analyse the element of Ananda in Guru's philosophy.
37. Explain Mysticism and its philosophical relevance in Guru's writings.
38. Examine Guru's methodology in discovering the Self (Verses 10–12).
39. Sketch the axiological dimensions in Atmopadesa Satakam (Verses 36–42).
40. Analyse the merging of dualities into the Absolute Consciousness in the philosophy of Sri Narayana Guru.

(4X5=20)

Section D

Answer any two of the following questions in two pages each. Each question carries 10 marks.

41. Critically examine Vedanta as the background of Sree Narayana Guru's philosophy.
42. Discuss the epistemology of Guru's philosophy with special reference to origin, methods, and validity of knowledge.
43. Analyse the role of mysticism in Guru's philosophy with reference to Janani Navaratna Manjari and Kali Natakam.
44. Explain the concept of the Self and Non-Self in spiritual progress according to Atmopadesa Satakam.

(10X2 = 20)