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B.A DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, JULY 2025

Third Semester

B.A. Philosophy

**B21PH01SE – Moral Dilemmas and Ethical Decision Making
(2023 July 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 the Indian term for ethics?
2. Name the two poems by Sree Narayana Guru that focus on compassion and non-violence.
3. What does *Ahimsa* mean in Jainism?
4. What is normative ethics?
5. What is the primary goal of *Panchamahayajna*?
6. Name the three states of consciousness according to Narayana Guru.
7. What is the fourth state of consciousness in Advaita?
8. What is the literal meaning of *Dharma*?
9. Name the five precepts (*Panchasilas*) in Buddhism.
10. What is *Nishkama Karma*?
11. Define Applied Ethics?
12. What is the use of Ethical Principles?
13. Illustrate the term “Professional Ethics”.
14. Define Casuistry? How does it help in Ethical Decision Making?
15. What are the main areas from which the key ethical questions revolve?

(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 *Aparan* in Guru’s philosophy.
17. What are the *Panchadharmas* prescribed by Sree Narayana Guru?
18. How does *Rta* relate to *Dharma* in Vedic thought?

19. What is the significance of *Pancha Suddhi*?
20. How does Guru view the role of women in family life?
21. Explain Sree Narayana Guru's concept of Satyam or Truthfulness
22. Examine the term purusharthas?
23. Define the term utilitarianism? What is its objective?
24. How is Sree Narayana Guru described in terms of ethical leadership?
25. What does justice encompass?
26. Explain the concept of freedom in the development of an individual and society in Guru's Perspectives
27. Briefly explain '*Atmopadesa - satakam*'
28. Explain non- duality in Sree Narayana Guru's philosophy
29. Write a short note on consequentialism
30. Briefly explain deontological theory.

(2X10=20)

Section C

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

31. Discuss the ethical principles of autonomy and beneficence.
32. Explain Guru's critique of the dowry system.
33. How does *Jivakarunya Panchakam* reflect Guru's stance on non-violence?
34. Describe the *Turiya* state in Advaita philosophy.
35. Analyze Sree Narayana Guru's vision of equality based on non-duality (*Advaita*).
36. Evaluate the relevance of Guru's *Panchadharmas* in contemporary society
37. Compare Jainist and Buddhist ethical frameworks.
38. Evaluate the term Ethical Dilemma? How can it be solved?
39. Evaluate and explain the Buddhist ethics?
40. What are the five purities according to Sree Narayana Guru, and what was his vision behind them?

(4X5=20)

Section D

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

41. What do you know about Ethical Principles? Evaluate its role in Decision making?
42. Analyse Sree Narayana Guru's Vision of Equality?
43. What do you know about Ethical theories? Illustrate the three major ethical theories?
44. Explain the code of ethics prescribed by Sree Narayana Guru. Evaluate its importance?

(10X2=20)