

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL



Syllabus for B.A. (Honours and General)
under revised new course structure
for Part - I, Part - II and Part - III

in

PHILOSOPHY



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B.A. Part - I (*Honours*)

Paper -1

Outline of Indian Philosophy

Full Marks - **100**

1. Nature of Indian Philosophy; Plurality as well as common concerns.
2. Basic concept of the Vedic and the Upanisadic world - views : Atman, J[^]grata, Svapna, Susupti, Turiya, Brahman, Karma, Samtara, Mukii.
3. Cārvāka school: its epistemology, metaphysics and ethics.
4. Jainism : Concepts of sal, dravya, guna, paryaya, jiva, ajiva, anekāntavāda, syādvāda and nayavāda; pramanā-, ahimsa, bondage and liberation.
5. Buddhism : theory of pramanas, theory of dependent origination; the four Noble Truths; doctrine of momentariness; theory of no-soul. The interpretation of these theories in schools of Buddhism : Vaibhasika. Sanutrantika, Yogācāra, Madhyamika.
6. Nyāya : theory' of pramanas; the individual self and its liberation; the idea of God and proofs for His existence.
7. Vaisesika : padarthas; dravya, guna, karma, samanya. samavaya, visesa. abhava; Causation : asatkaryavada; karana; samavayi, asamavayi, mmitia; psaramarm āda: adrsta; nihsreyasa.
8. Samkhya : Causation : satkāryavāda; prakri : its constituents, agnmems for its existence. Evolution, purusa : arguments for its existence; plurality of purusas; relationship between prakrti and purusa; kaivalya; atheism.
9. Yoga: *yoga*, citta and cittavrtti; eightfold path; God.
10. Purva Mimamsa : Sruti and its importance; classification of Sruti Vākyas : VidhL nisedha, arthavāda; dharma; bhāvana; sabdanityatvavāda; jatisaktivāda, atheism. The debate between Kumarilas and Prābhākaras : triputisamvit, Jhatata, abhāva, anupalabdhī, anvitabhidhanavada, abhīhitanvayavada.
11. Advaita concept of nirguna Brahman; 2dh̄yasa; rejection of difference: vivartavāda; māya; three grades of satta; pramanas, jiva, jivanmukti.

12. Visistadvaita : Concept of saguna Brahman; refutation of mayS; parinamavSda. aprthaksiddhi; jiva; bhakti and prapatti; rejection of jivanmukti.

Suggested Readings :

1. M. Hiriyanna : *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*.
2. C. D. Shanna : *A critical survey of Indian Philosophy*.
3. S. N. Dasgupta : *A History of Indian Philosophy* Vol -1 to V.
4. S. Radhakrishnam : *Indian Philosophy* Vol. 1 & II.
5. T. R. V. Murti: *Central Philosophy of Buddhism*.
6. J. N. Mahanty : *Reason and Tradition in Indian Thought*.
7. R. D. Ranade : *A constructive Survey of Upanisadic Philosophy*.
8. P. T. Raju : *Structural Depths of Indian thought*.
9. K. C. Bhattacharyya : *Studies in Philosophy* Vol. I
10. Datta & Chattejee : *Introduction of Indian Philosophy*.
11. A. K. Warder : *Indian Buddhism*
12. R. Puligandla : *Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy*.
13. T. M. P. Mahadevan : *An outline of Hinduism*
14. D. M. Dutta : *Six ways of Knowing*
15. Amal Kr. Harh : *Knowing a Negative Fact: Anupalabधि*

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16. *Bharatiya Darsan* by Dr. Debabrata Sen.
17. *Nyaya- Vaisesika Darsan* by Dr. Karuna Bhattacharyya.
18. *Samkhya Patanjala Darsana* by Sri Kanak Prabha Banerjee (W. B. Book Board)
19. *Bharatiya Darsan* by Nirod Baran Chakraborty
20. *Carvaka Darsan* by Pt. Panchanan Sastri
21. *Bauddha Darsan* by Dr. Bhupendra Nath Bhattacharya.

22. *Samkhya Darsan* by Dr. Bhupendra Nath Bhattacharya.
23. *Sankhya Tattva kaumadi* with *Adhyapana Tika* by Narayan Goswami
24. *Nyaya Parichaya* by Pt. Phanibhusan Tarkabagisa
25. *Sāmkhya Darsan* by Dr. Panchanan Ghatak (Progressive)
26. *Bharatiya Darsan* by Prodyot Mondal.

Paper-II
Group - A (Ethics)

Full Marks - 50

1. What is ethics ?
2. The Nature of ethics, positive, normative.
3. Statement of fact and statement of value.
4. Moral and Non-moral action
5. The nature and object of moral judgment.
6. Postulates of Morality.
7. Problem of freedom of will.
8. Right and Good : Teleology and Deontology, concept of justice & equality.
9. Psychological Hedonism, utilitarianism (Bentham, J. S. Mill), Kantian Ethics.
10. Niskamakarma : Sthitaprajna - The ethics of the Gita.
11. Jaina Ethics, eight fold path in Buddhism.
12. Gandhian Ethics : Satya, Ahimsa, Ends and Means.
13. Virtue ethics : Plato and Aristotle.
14. Theories of punishment.

Suggested Readings :

1. S. K. Moitra: *The Ethics of the Hindus*

2. Saral Jhingran : *Aspects of Hindu Ethics* (Motilal Baanarasidas)
3. Roderick Hindry : *Comparative Ethics in Hindu and Buddhist tradition* (Motila] Banarasidas)
4. Gopinath Bhattacharya : *Essays in Analytic Philosophy* (Select portions).
5. W. K. Frankena : *Ethics* (Chapter - 2 & 3).
6. Lillie : *An Introduction to Ethics*.
7. Mackenzie : *Manual of Ethics*
8. J. D. Mabbott: *Introduction to Ethics*.
9. J. Hospers : *Human conduct*.
10. Rosalind Hursthome : *Virtue Ethics*.

In Bengali

11. *Nitividyar Tattvakatha* by Somnath Chakraborty.
12. *Manab dharma* by Dr. Mahanambrata Brahmachari.

Paper - II

Group - B (Logic, Part - A)

Full Marks - 50

1. What is Logic ?
2. Premise, conclusion, argument.
3. Truth falsity.
4. Validity and Invalidity
5. Criterion of validity (I. M. Copi)
6. Categorical proposition, quality, quantity and Distribution, Translation, Categorical proposition into standard form.
7. Immediate Inference : Conversion, Obversion and their combined application, square the opposition of proposition, Determine the truth-value of another proposition from the truth value of given proposition.

8. Categorical syllogism : General rules. To test syllogistic arguments for validity (*by applying* general rules for syllogism.)
9. Boolean Interpretation of categorical propositions : Use of Venn Diagrams to test arguments for validity : Formal Fallacies, Informal fallacies as discussed in Irving Copi's *Introduction to logic* (8* Edition).
10. Truth - functions: Negation, Conjunction Alteration (or Disjunction), Conditional (or Material Equivalence).
11. Quantification theory: (a) Syllogistics and the method of antilogism. (b) Translating ordinary language into the language of quantification.
12. Proof procedure: To Construct formal proof of validity of arguments and argument - forms involving (monadic) quantification. To prove invalidity of quantification — arguments and argument -forms.
13. Induction i) What is Induction ? ii) Induction by Simple Enumeration, iii) Distinction between Induction and Deduction.
14. Argument by Analogy. Appraising analogical arguments.

Suggested Readings:

1. *Introduction to Logic* - I.M.Copi (Relevant Chaps.)
2. *Methods of Logic* - Quine (Part -L, Chap.5,7 & 9)
3. (Chap. XI & XIII) *Elements of Logic* - Stephen F. Barker.
4. *Elements of Logic* - Stephen F. Barker
5. *An Introduction to Symbolic Logic* -Basson & O' Connor.

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6. *Nabya Yuktivijnan* : Rama Prasad Das (Part -1 to IV)
7. *Pratiki Yuktivijnan* : by Indra Kumar Roy

B.A. Part - II (Honours)
Paper-III
(History of Western Philosophy)

Full Marks - 100

1. Plato : theory of knowledge; Knowledge (episteme) and opinion (doxa). Theory of Forms; Soul; Idea of the Good.
2. Aristotle : Critique of Plato's theory of Forms; theory of causation; form and matter; potentiality and actuality; Soul; God; ethics.
3. Descartes : methods and the need for methods in Philosophy; methods of doubt; *cogito ergo sum*-, types of ideas; mind and matter; mind - body - Interactionism; God; nature and proofs for His existence.
4. Spinoza : substance, attributes and modes, the concepts of 'God or Nature'; pantheism; mind-body problem; three orders of knowing.
5. Leibniz : monadology; doctrine of pre-established harmony; truths of reason and truths of fact; innateness of all ideas; principles of non sufficient reason and identity of the indiscernibles; God; nature and proofs for His existence.
6. Locke : refutation of innate ideas; ideas and their classification. Knowledge and its grades; substance; qualities; primary and secondary.
7. Berkeley : rejection of abstract ideas; rejection of the distinction between primary and secondary qualities, immaterialism; *esse est percipi*-, the problem of solipsism, role of God.
8. Hume : impressions and ideas; judgments concerning relations of ideas and judgments concerning matters of fact; causality; external world; self and personal; rejection of metaphysics; skepticism.
9. Kant : Conception of critical philosophy; classification of judgments; analytic, synthetic, a priori, a posteriori; possibility of synthetic a priori judgments; the forms of sensibility; intuition and concepts, categories of the understanding; the metaphysical and the transcendental deduction of categories; schematism of the categories; phenomena and noumena : the refutation of idealism, transcendental

Ideas of pure reason; Soul, God and the world as a whole; rejection of transcendent metaphysics.

Suggested Readings :

1. F. Copleston : *A History of Philosophy*
2. D. J. O. Connor : *A critical History of Western Philosophy*
3. C. R. Morris : *Locke, Berkeley and Hume*
4. A. K. Rogers : *A student's History of Philosophy*
5. W. K. Wright: *A History of Modern Philosophy*
6. S. Komer : *Kant*
7. W. T. Stace : *A Critical History of Greek Philosophy*
8. Roger Scruton : *A History of Philosophy from Descartes to Wittgenstein.*
9. Jonathan Bennett: *Locke, Berkely, Hume.*
10. John Cottingham : *The Rationalists*
11. Dr. R. R. Das : *A Handbook of Critique of Pure Reason.*
12. Falckenberg : *A History of Modern Philosophy*
13. Thill & Wood : *History of Philosophy*
14. Wolfgnag Stegmuller : *Main Currents in contemporary German, British and American.*
- 15: *Philosophy*; D. Reidal Publication Co.
16. J. Barners : *Early Greek Philosophy*, Penguin Books
17. J. Burnet: *Greek Philosophy*, Thales to plato
18. S. S. Barlingay and P. B. Kulkami : *A Critical survey of Western Philosophy* (Macmillan)
19. W. C. K. Gutrie : *History of Greek Philosophy* Vol. I & II.

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20. N. B. Chakraborty : *Paschatya Darsaner Itihas* (Plato, Aristotle)

21. Chandradayo Bhattacharya : *Paschtya Darsaner Ithlhas*.
22. R. P. Das & S. P. Chakraborty : *Paschatya Darsaner Ruprekha*.
23. Dr. Nirod Baran Chakraborty : *Locke, Berkeley, llume*.
24. Kalyan Chandra Gupta : *Paschyatya Darshaner Itishas* (Progressive)
25. Rashbehari Das : *Kanter Darsan* (W. B. State Book Board).
26. Mrinal Kanti Bhadra : *Kanter Suddha Prajnar Bichar* (Burdwan University).

Paper - IV
Group-A
(Logic Part - B)

Full Marks - 50

1. Truth functions : Shaffer's stroke function. Interdefinability of different truth-functions.
2. (a) Truth tables as decision procedure *Reductio-ad-absurdum* method. Truth-tree method; (b) Alternational (or Disjunctive) and conjunctive Normal Forms as decision procedure.
3. Casual connection : Mills Method of Experimental Inquiry : Cause and effect. Meaning of 'Cause'. The singularity of causes, laws and the uniformity of nature.
4. Mills Method : Method of Agreement, Method of Difference, Joint Methods of Agreement and Difference, Method of Residuals, Methods of concomitant variation.
5. Science and Hypothesis : Explanation : Scientific and unscientific evaluating scientific explanations. The Problem, Preliminary Hypothesis, Collecting Additional Facts, Formulating the Hypothesis, Deducing further consequences, testing the consequence, Application.
6. Probability.

Suggested Readings :

1. *Methods of Logic* : Quine (Part - 1, Chap. 5, 7 & 9)
2. *An Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method*: Cohen and Nagel.
3. (Chap. - XI & XIII) *Elements of Logic* : Stephen F. Barker.
4. *Formal Logic : Its Scope and Limits* : Richard Jeffrey.
5. *Probability and Inductive Logic* : Kyburg H. E. (Jr.) (Chap. 1, 2, 6, 10, 12, 13)

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6. *Nabya Yuktivijnan* : Rama Prasad Das (Pts. I, II, IV).

Paper-IV

Group-B

(Philosophy of Religion)

Full Marks - 50

1. Concept of Religion : Indian & Western Standpoint.
2. The origin of Religion in the light of Anthropology : The Psychological Origin and development of Religion.
3. Concept of God.
4. Notions of God : Personalistic, Impersonalistic, Naturalistic.
5. Religious Consciousness.
6. Proofs for the existence of God and their criticisms.
7. Summary of different Religions, Hinduism, Buddha, Islam and Christianity.
8. Immortality of Souls; Liberation.
9. Problem of Evil
10. Religious knowledge : Reason, Revelation and Mysticism.
11. Religion without God.
12. Religion and Morality.

2. Introduction to Analytic Philosophy (Introduction only)
 J. Philosophy and Language - William P Alston
 4. Problem of knowledge - Al Ayer
 J. Analytic Philosophy - Harry R (Itiaa.

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Paper VII

Serial and practical philosophy

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 (K. P.Bagchi and Company)
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1. Samay Tatfva - PwtnvaJ Bhutan kar (W B B*mk Board)
 2. Swnaj Duwi Dtpska PnU Bhutan Chatlopadhyay

3. Adhnnlk Rastra Matabader Bhumika
- Dilip Kumar Chattopadhyay (W.B. Book BQ^)
4. Daman O'far I'rayog - Dr, P. Roy, Dr. R.N. Ghosh
5. Nilividya — Mrinal Kanti JJhadra
6. Rastradarsaner Dhara - Dr. Amal K. Mukhopadhyay
7. Man and technology - Dr. Pavitra Kumar Roy, Jadavpur University. (W'B'BookB<ardj
- «. Vyabaharik Nitividya - Pradip Kumar Roy, Dhaka University, Banglad^^
9. Paribesh Bidya - Nirmalya Chakraborty

Paper VIII

Special Paper- anyone of the following texts:

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| A. Phenomenology & Existentialiesion | - D. Sinha |
| B. Problems of Philosophy | - B. Russell |
| C. Philosophy of Logic | - Ed. Strawson |
| D. Philosophy of Mind | - J.A. Shaffer |
| E. Vedantasara | - Sadananda Yoginodra |

SUGGESTED READING: (In Bengali)

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| 1. Darsan Samasya | - Sushil Kumar Chakraborty |
| 2. Vedantasara | - Bipad vanjan Paul |
| 3. Vedantasaraa | - Kalibar Vedentabagish |
| 4. Monodarsan | - Arabinda Basu, Nibedita Chakraborty. |

B.A. Pari - I (General)

Paper -1

(Indian Philosophy Part - A)

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1. Introduction:

i. Nature of Indian Philosophy

ii. Division of Indian Philosophy : Astikn and Nflstikn Systems,

iii. Nāstika Systems : CfirvAka, Bauddha, Jaina.

Astika Systems : Nyflya, Vaisesika, Samkhya, Yoga, Purva Mimfimsfl, Uttar Mimāmsa or Veditnta.

2. The Carvaka System :

i. Positive teachings; Admission of four blmtas - Origin of consciousness.

Atmā as embodied consciousness (Caitanyavisista delta eva alma)

Admission of artha and kārna as Purusarthas - perception as only pramflnii
- Karya - Karān - Vada.

ii. Non-admission of byoma (akīlsa) - Rejection of Dchntirikta Atma-
Rejection of Dharma and Moksa as purusarthas - Rejection of Inference
and Testimony as sources of knowledge - Rejection of Vcdapramanya -
Rejection of Paraloka.

Conclusion :

The Importance of Carvaka philosophy.

3. The Buddha System :

ii. Nairatmyavada

iii. Ksanikavada

iv. Four Nobel Truths.

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4. The Jaina System :
 - i. Introduction
 - ii. SyAdvada and its relation to nnekimtnvndn
 - iii. Jaina categories and Moksa.

Reference Books :

1. Dutta and Chatterjee: *Jn Introduction to Indian Philosophy.*
2. Dr. Niradbaran Chakraborty : *Bhadratiya Darsan*
3. Dr. Samarendra Bhattacharya : *Bharatiya Darsan.*
4. C. D. Sharma: *J Critical Survey of Indian philosophy.*
5. M. Hiriyanna : *Outlines of Indian Philosophy.*

Paper - II

(Western Metaphysics and Epistemology)

Full Marks - 50

1. Theories of the Origin of Knowledge : Rationalism, Empiricism & Kant's critical theory.
2. Realism and Idealism as theories of reality :
 - i. Realism : Naive Realism, Scientific Realism, New and Critical Realism.
 - ii. Idealism : Subjective Idealism (Berkeley) Objective Idealism (Hegel).
3. Causality : Entailment Theory : Regularity Theory.
4. Mind-Body Problem : Inter-actionism, Parallelism and the Identity Theory.

Reference Books:

- I. Niradbaran Chakraborty : *Paschatya Darshaner Bhumika.*

2. Ramaprasad Das & Shiba Pada Chakraborty - *Pashatya Darshaner Ruprekha.*
3. Promod Bandhu Sengupta : *Paschatya Darsan.*
4. Jagadiswar Sanyal: *Paschatya Darsan*
5. John Hospers : *An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis.*
6. Dr. Samarendra Bhattacharya : *Paschatyā Darsan*
7. S. P. Chakraborty : *Darsan Bhumia.*
8. Satyajyoti Chakraborty ; *General Philosophy*

Paper - III

(Psychology)

Full Marks - 50

1. Definition & scope of Psychology, nature of Psychology as a science. Methods of psychology - subjective, objective and experimental.
2. Sensation : Nature, classification and attribute of sensation.
3. Perception : Nature of Perception and its relation to sensation. Gestalt theory of perception : perception of distance. Solidity and motion, illusion and hallucination.
4. Percept and Image : Memory - its factor and range, marks of good memory. Law of Association, Forgetfulness and its causes.
5. Attention : Its nature and types, conditions of attention.
6. Learning : The Trial and Error theory, the Gestalt theory, Pavlov's Conditioned Response theory.
7. Emotion : Nature of emotion, James Lange theory of emotion.
8. Consciousness : Conscious, Sub-conscious, Unconscious — Its evidence, Freud's theory of Dream.
9. Personality : Factors of Personality, Heredity and Environment.
10. Intelligence : Measurement of intelligence; Binet-simon test.

Reference Books :

- 1 • P. N. Bhattacharya : *Text Books of Psychology*
- T P. N. Bhattacharya : *Manovidya.*
3. Deviprasad Chattopadhyay : *Manovijnan*
4. J. Sanyal: *Manovidya.*
5. G. D. Boaz : *General Psychology*
6. P. B. Sengupta : *Monovidya*
7. Dr. Samarendra Bhattacharya : *Monovidya*
8. Sengupta, Basu & Ghosh : *Manovidya Samaj - O Darsan O Rastradarsan.*
9. Dr. Pritibhusan Chattopadhyay & Sandeep Das : *Monovidya Samaj O Rastradarsan.*

B.A. Part - II (General)

Paper -1

(Indian Philosophy, Part - B)

Full Marks - 50

1. The Nyaya System :
 - i. The Nature of Perception ordinary (Laukika) & extraordinary (Alaukika) perception. Determinate (Savikalpaka) & Indeterminate (Nirvikalpaka) perception.
 - ii. Anumana : Sadhya, Paksa, Hetu, Vyapti, Vyaptigraha, Svarthanumiti and pararthanumiti, Panchavayava (five membered syllogism).
2. The vaishesika system :

Vaishesika : Seven categories (Padarthas). Dravya, Guna, Karma, Samanya, Samavaya, Visesa, abhava.
3. The Samkhya System :

Causation, Purusa, Prakriti and its gunas, Evolution.

Reference Books :

1. Dutta and Chatterjee : *An-Introduction to Indian Philosophy.*
2. Dr. Niradbaran Chakraborty: *Bharatiya Darsan.*
3. Dr. Karuna Bhattachajee: *Nyaya Vaishesika Darsan.*
4. Dr. Samarendra Bhattacharya: *Bharatiya Darsan.*
5. C.D. Sharma: *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy.*
6. M. Hiriyanna: *Outlines of Indian Philosophy.*

Paper: II
(Western Logic)

Full Marks: 50

1. Proposition, Categorical Propositions and classes: Quality, quantity and distribution.
2. Traditional Square of Oppositions.
3. Further immediate Inference : Conversion, Obversion and Contraposition.
4. Existential Import of propositions: Boolean Interpretation of Categorical Proposition. Translating categorical propositions into standard forms.
5. Categorical syllogism: Figure, Mood, Testing syllogism for validity, Testing arguments by Venn Diagram. Rules and Fallacies. Disjunctive and hypothetical syllogism. The Dilemma.
6. Symbolic Logic: The value of special symbols for conjunction, Negation and Disjunction, implications and material implications. Argument Forms and Argument statements. Truth-Table Method for testing arguments.
7. Inductive Logic: Analogy, Hypothesis- Nature and condition. Scientific Method- its different steps.

Reference Books:

1. I. M. Copi: *Introduction to Logic*.
2. Rama Prasad Das : *Paschatya Darsan O Juktivijan*
3. Jagadiswar Sanyal: *Juktivijan*.

Paper- III
(Social and Political Philosophy)

Full Marks: 50

1. Nature and scope of Social Philosophy.
2. Primary concepts: Society, Community, Association, Institutions.
3. Social groups: its different forms.
4. Social codes: Religious and Moral codes, Custom & Law, Culture and Civilization.
5. Social class and Caste; Principles of class and caste, Attitudes and class-consciousness.
6. Political Ideals: Equality, Justice and Liberty. Democracy and its different forms.
7. Socialism and Marxism.

Reference Books:

1. Dr. Sararendra Bhattacharyya : *Samaj Darsan O Rastra Darsan.*
2. Dr. Pritibhusan Chattopadyday : *Monovidya, Samaj O Rastradarsan.*
3. MacIver and Page : *Society*
4. Parimal Bhusan Kar : *Samaj Tattwa.*
5. Sudarsan Roychowdhury : *Rastra*
6. Dilip Kr. Chattopaddhyay : *Adhunik Rastra Matabader Bhumika.*
7. SenguptaJ Basu and Ghosh : *Monovidya, Samaj O Darsan O Rastradarsan.*

Part - III
Paper — IV

100 marks

Theoretical and applied ethics

1. What is ethics?
2. Moral and non-moral actions.
3. Postulates of morality.
5. Utilitarianism - Bentham and Mill.
6. Kant's conception of good will, duty and categorical imperative.
7. Problem of the freedom of will.
8. Ethics of Niskāma Karma. (Gita)
9. Capital Punishment: Theories of Punishment.
10. Concepts of Applied Ethics.
11. Equality, Discrimination and preferential treatment.
12. Value of life: Suicide and Euthanasia.
13. Environmental Ethics: The environment and the human community, future generations, Reverence for Life, Deep ecology.
14. Mahatma Gandhi's Conception of Ahimsa (non-violence) Satyagraha (zest for truth) and means-ends relationship.

Reference Books:

1. W. Lillie - Introduction to Ethics.
2. Samarendra Bhattacharya - Nitividya.
3. Peter Singer - Practical Ethics (Chaps. I and VII)
4. James Rachals (ed) - Moral Problems (Part-I, Part-III, Part-VI Relevant Portions).
5. Bernard Williams: - Morality-An Introduction to Ethics.
6. J. Rackels: - The End of life - Euthansia and Morality.
7. W. K. Frankena - Ethics.
8. Raghvan Aiyer - Moral and Political Thought of Mahatama Gandhi.
9. J. J. C. Smart and Bernard Williams - Utilitarianism: For and Against.
10. Peter Singer - Applied Ethics for Environment Ethics.
11. J. L. Mackie- Ethics - Inventing right and wrong.
12. Peter Singer (ed) - A Companion to Ethics.
13. J. Rachels - Elements of Moral Philosophy.
14. R.A. Duff - Trials and Punishments.

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1. Nitividya O Tar prayog - Dr. Dikshit Gupta
2. Kathay O Karma Nitividya - Somnath Chakraborty
3. Vyavaharik Nitividya - Pradip Kumar Roy, Bangla Academy, Dacca.