

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

(Residential Autonomous College affiliated to University of Calcutta)

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Date : 16/06/2022

Time : 11.00 am – 1.00 pm

PHILOSOPHY

Paper : CC17 [Ethics]

Full Marks : 50

Unit - I

1. Answer **any one** of the following question: [1×10]
a) State the qualified-agent account of right action. Explain after Hursthouse how an action is to be assessed when the agent finds himself in a tragic dilemma. (2+8)

Or,

Give an account of the emergence of virtue ethics.

- b) Bring out the different aspects of virtue put forward by the contemporary Aristotelian virtue ethicists.

Or,

How does Christine Swanton define virtue? What according to her are the different modes of moral responsiveness? (2+8)

2. Answer **any one** of the following questions: [2×5]
a) What distinguishes virtue ethics from deontological theory and consequentialism? Discuss briefly.

Or,

How does Michael Slote deal with the issue that virtuous actions typically produce good consequences?

- b) Give a short description of the term “virtues of ignorance” after Julia Driver.

Or,

How is virtue contrasted with practical wisdom in Kantian theory of virtue?

Unit - II

3. Answer **any one** of the following question : [1×10]
a) How do the feminists differ from the traditional thinkers in the context of morality? Discuss, in this connection, the difference between the liberal feminists and the radical ones. (5+5)

Or,

- b) Define the ethics of Care. State and explain the features of the ethics of Care. (3+7)

Unit - III

4. Answer **any one** of the following question : [1×10]
a) Write a short note on “Utilitarianism and beyond”. Do you think that Utilitarianism violates person’s autonomy? – Explain.

Or,

- b) Do you think that Peace in external social life is closely linked up with peace in individuals’ inner lives? – Explain after Plato.

5. Answer **any one** of the following question : [1×10]
a) “Utilitarianism is thus a species of *welfarist-consequentialism*”- Explain after Prof. Sen and Williams.

Or,

Write a short note on personal morality and public choice.

- b) Do you think war is the only form of violence? – Explain.

Or,

What is a just war theory? - Explain.

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