

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

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Date : 17/12/2024

Time : 11 am – 1 pm

PHILOSOPHY

Paper : CC 2

Full Marks : 50

[Use a separate Answer Book for each Unit]

Unit-I

1. Answer any two from the following questions : [2×10]
 - a) What according to Kant is synthetic *a priori* judgement? How does Kant seek to establish that all mathematical judgements, without exception, are synthetic?
 - b) Give an account of Kant's Copernican revolution in Philosophy. What are its consequences?
 - c) Explain the following :
 - i) space is a form of sensibility
 - ii) space is the form of all appearances of outer sense
 - iii) space is empirically real and transcendently ideal
 - d) Explain Kant's metaphysical and transcendental expositions of the concept of time.
2. Answer the following questions : [1×5]
 - a) What was the year of publication of the first edition of the *Critique of Pure Reason*?
 - b) What is the central problem of the *Critique of Pure Reason*?
 - c) What is the subject matter of Transcendental Aesthetic?
 - d) Fill up the blanks :
Space and time are ____ but ____.
 - e) From whom does Kant borrow the term Category?

Unit-II

3. Answer any one from the following questions : [1×10]
 - a) Explain Gettier's first counter example against the traditional definition of knowledge.
 - b) Explain, briefly, Chisholm's position on propositional knowledge in 1966 and 1973.
4. Answer the following questions : [1×3]
 - a) Why does A.J.Ayer think that truth is a necessary condition of propositional knowledge?
 - b) What kind of relationship is suggested by Almeder between truth condition and justification condition?
 - c) Name the British philosopher who provided the Sheep-dog example against traditional definition of knowledge.

Unit-III

5. Answer any one from the following questions : [1×10]
 - a) On what ground do the sceptics refute the possibility of knowledge.
 - b) Is foundationalism impossible? Explain after Chisholm.
6. Answer the following questions: [1×2]
 - a) Who has authored the book "The Problem of Knowledge"?
 - b) Who wrote "The Theory of Knowledge"?