

**Savitribai Phule Pune University
Department of Philosophy**

Syllabus

M.A Philosophy Entrance Examination

SECTION A

The Section A is based on General knowledge and Aptitude. The general syllabus for the same is Numerical problems and Logic, Visual Logic, Alphabetic sequences, Coding- Decoding, Verbal Reasoning, Basic English grammar, set and Odd element, Basic general knowledge, Current affairs etc.

SECTION B

Unit- 1: Western Philosophy

- 1) Thales, Pythagoras - Substance
- 2) Heraclitus and Parmenides - Change and Permanence
- 3) Sophists – Rhetoric
- 4) Socrates – Knowledge is Virtue
- 5) Plato – Theory of forms
- 6) Aristotle – Form & Matter / Being
- 7) Descartes – Relation of mind and body, Innate Ideas
- 8) Spinoza – Substance, Attributes and Modes
- 9) Leibnitz – Monads and Pre- established Harmony
- 10) John Locke- Substance, Origin of Knowledge, Tabula rasa, Primary and Secondary Qualities
- 11) Berkeley – Subjective Idealism
- 12) David Hume - Skepticism, Denial of self and causation
- 13) Immanuel Kant- Types of Judgment, Analytic, Synthetic, A-Priori and A-posteriori, Primary Knowledge of Categories of Understanding

- 14) Hegel- Dialectical Process
- 15) L. Wittgenstein- Private language argument
- 16) Sartre – Being-in-itself, Being-for-itself
- 17) Hannah Arendt – Banality of evil and Totalitarianism

Unit-2 : Classical Indian Philosophy

- 1) Cārvāka- Four Mahābhūtas, Denial of Ātman
- 2) Nyāya- Primary understanding of four Pramāṇas
- 3) Vaiśeṣika- Seven Padārthas
- 4) Sāṅkhya- Twenty Five Tattvas and their evolution and Dissolution
- 5) Yoga- Citta, Cittavṛttis and types of Samādhi
- 6) Pūrva Mīmāṃsā- Primary understanding of Six Pramāṇas
- 7) Vedānta- Primary understanding of Brahman, Jīva, Jagat, and Māya of Saṅkarācārya
- 8) Jainism- Concepts of Anekāntavāda , Dravya and Syādvāda
- 9) Buddhism- Four Noble Truths, Anātmatā (No-Self), Anityatā (Non-permanence)

Unit-3: Modern Indian Thought

- 1) Mahatma Gandhi- Satyāgraha, Ahimsa, God and Society
- 2) Swami Vivekananda – Practical Vedānta and Universal Religion
- 3) Mahatma Phule – Satyashodhak Samaj, Gulamgiri (Slavery)
- 4) Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar – Annihilation of caste, Buddhism and Marxism
- 5) Sri Aurobindo- True religion, Renaissance
- 6) S. Radhakrishnan - Intuition, Religious pluralism
- 7) K.C.Bhattacharya- Concept of Philosophy, swaraj in Ideas
- 8) Dayanand Saraswati– Monotheism, Views on Vedas
- 9) M N Roy- Radical Humanism
- 10) Gurudev Ranade – Religion and Mysticism

Unit-4:- Ethics / Traditional Logic / Saints Philosophy

- 1) Virtue Ethics- Aristotle
- 2) Utilitarianism Ethics - Bentham & J. S. Mill
- 3) Deontological Ethics - Kant

- 4) Puruṣārthas- Dharma, Artha, Kāma, Mokṣha
- 5) Dharma- Varṇāshrama Dharma, Theory of Sādhāraṇa Dharma
- 6) Karma and Gīta
- 7) Triratna, Aṣṭāṅga-yoga, Aṣṭāṅgika-mārga
- 8) Types of Inference, Aristotelian Classification of Propositions A,E,I,O
- 9) Saints Philosophy- Jnaneshawar, Tukaram, Kabir, Ramdas, Mahanubhava sect

Suggested list of books (English)

- 1) Y. Masih - A Critical History of Western Philosophy: (Greek, Medieval and Modern)
- 2) C.D Sharma- A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy
- 3) Vishwanath Naravane – Modern Indian Thought
- 4) Mahendra Singh and Himanshu Roy – Indian Political thought : Themes and Thinkers
- 5) Willian Lillie – An Introduction to Ethics
- 6) Jadunath Sinha – A Manual of Ethics
- 7) I.M. Copi- Introduction to Logic
- 8) Kirk & Raven – The Pre-Socratic Philosophers: A Critical History with a Selection of Texts

Suggested list of books (Marathi and Hindi)

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१. ग. ना. जोशी, भारतीय तत्त्वज्ञानाचा बृहद् इतिहास (अनेक खंड)
२. ग. ना. जोशी, पाश्चात्य तत्त्वज्ञानाचा इतिहास (अनेक खंड)
३. श्रीनिवास दिक्षीत — भारतीय तत्त्वज्ञान
४. दे.द.वाडेकर, मराठी तत्त्वज्ञान महाकोश (तीन खंड)
५. फुले — सार्वजनिक सत्य धर्म
६. आंबेडकर — जाती संस्थेचे उच्चाटन, बुध्द आणि मार्क्स

७. मे.पु.रेगे — पाश्चात्य नितीशास्त्र
८. दिक्षीत — नितीशास्त्र
९. संतांचे तत्त्वज्ञान — मराठी परामर्श विशेषांक

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१. नीतिशास्त्र — सिद्धान्त और व्यवहार, प्रा. नित्यानंद मिश्रा
२. पाश्चात्य दर्शन का समीक्षात्मक इतिहास — या. मसीह
३. समकालीन पाश्चात्य दर्शन — बी.के.लाल
४. भारतीय दर्शन: आलोचन और अनुशीलन — पं. चंद्रधर शर्मा
५. नीतिशास्त्र की रूपरेखा (पाश्चात्य और भारतीय) — अशोक कुमार वर्मा