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H O M E   A S S I G N M E N T
M. A. in Philosophy
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GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF HOME ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Write your **NAME, ROLL NUMBER, SESSION, PAPER NUMBER, TOPIC SELECTED** and **EXAMINATION,** clearly on the top of the Front page of each paper.
2. Submit your Assignments **PAPER-WISE** Separately.
3. Each of the two topics given in each paper will be answered as **two essays** of *not more than 500 words each*. There will be negative marking for writing in excess of the word-limit.
4. Each answer (essay) carries a weightage of **10 marks**. (10 marks x 2 essays = 20 marks).
5. Keep a margin of about 1 inch on each side of the page.
6. **Stick File** not necessary.
7. **Copying** from others including **Xerox** from others strictly prohibited.
8. You can submit the essay written in your own hand-writing on **A-4** sized paper on **One Side** of each page **Only**.
9. Submit Your Assignments strictly on or before the due date as notified. Assignments received after the due date may not be considered for evaluation.
10. The last date of submission is *December 24, 2013*.
    N.B. Students are requested to follow the instructions strictly.

Paper I: Indian Philosophy
1. Explain the Nyaya Theory of perception.   10
2. Explain the Samkhya Theory of Causation.   10

Paper II: Western Classical Philosophy
1. Bring out the significance of Descartes' Statement "Cogito ergo sum".   10
2. Bring out the significance of Kant's Copernican Revolution.   10

Paper III: Contemporary Western Philosophy
1. Bring out the salient features of existentialism of Sartre.   10
2. Explain and examine Moore's refutation of idealism.   10

Paper IV: Ethics
1. Give a critical account of Aristotle's ethical theory.   10
2. Is Goodness a quality? Discuss with reference to G.E. Moore.   10

Paper V: Logic
1. Explain with reference to Ambrose and Lazerowitz the fundamental ideas of logic.
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Or
What is Truth Function? Explain the Basic Truth Functions.   10

2. What is a set? Explain the following sets-set intersection, set union and set difference.   10

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