PG Even Semester Exam, May 2025

English

2nd Semester

COURSE NO. ENG – 556

[AN INTRODUCTION TO ETHICS]

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer all the questions

UNIT-I

1. a. Elaborate on the scope of Ethics, with illustrative examples. 10

Or

b. Discuss any five fundamental approaches to Moral Theory.

2. a. Mention any four characteristics of Moral Standards. 4

Or

b. Write a short note on Christian Ethics.

UNIT-II

3. a. Attempt a critical account of Marxist Ethics. 10

Or

b. Discuss the major concerns of Feminist Ethics.

4. Write a short note on either of the following, highlighting only the key aspect: 4

a. Class struggle.

b. Existentialism.

UNIT-III

5. a. Critically discuss the basic ethical tenets of the *Vedanta*. 10

Or

b. Discuss the major ethical concerns of Buddhism.

6. Write a short note on either of the following: 4

a. The key ethical doctrine of the *Bhagavad-Gita*.

b. Advaita Vedanta.

UNIT-IV

7. a. Critically discuss Rabindranath Tagore as a humanist, with particular reference to his views on nationalism. 10

Or

b. Discuss the major ethical concerns of Swami Vivekananda.

8. Write a short note on either of the following: 4

a. Swami Vivekananda's view on *Vedanta*.

b. The moral philosophy of M. K. Gandhi.

UNIT-V

9. a. Examine the theme of moral conflict as portrayed in *The Ministry of Fear*. 10

Or

b. "In *The Ministry of Fear*, Graham Greene explores the fragile nature of morality in a corrupt and chaotic world." Respond critically.

10. Answer either of the following questions: 4

a. Why, do you think, was the charity fête so alluring for Arthur Rowe?

b. Do you think that a sense of guilt can shape an individual's identity and choices? Respond with reference to the character of Arthur Rowe.

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