F.Y. B.A. (Philosophy)
(SYLLABUS APPROVED BY B.O.S. in Philosophy)

G1: Introduction to Philosophy

(Objective: 1) To acquaint the student with the major areas in philosophy 2) To bring out the relevance of philosophy by introducing some aspects of theoretical and applied ethics.

Weightage of units: 12 lectures per unit)

Term I

Unit 1: (a) The definitions, nature and scope of Philosophy
(b) Introduction to the branches of Philosophy
(c) Value of Philosophy

Unit 2: Methods of Philosophy:
(a) Doubt(Descartes),
(b) Dialogue(Socrates, Plato),
(c) Debate(Vada-Jalpa-Vitanda),
(d) Conceptual Analysis

Unit 3: (a) The basic features of Indian Philosophy
(b) Introduction to the systems of Indian Philosophy (Overview of the three heterodox and six orthodox systems of Indian Philosophy)

Unit 4: Introduction to Western Epistemology and Metaphysics:
(a) Knowledge as Justified true belief
(b) Theories of reality: Idealism (Plato, Berkeley), Materialism (Democritus), Dualism(Descartes).
(c) Causation (Aristotle, Hume)
Term II

Unit 5: Theory of values:
(a) What is value? Nature and kinds of values
(b) Basic ethical concepts: Good, Right, Duty, Virtue
(c) Theories of morality: Teleological: Hedonism, Egoistic and Universalistic; Deontological: Categorical imperative

Unit 6: Major concepts in Indian Moral Thought: Rta, Rna, Dharma, Karma, Niskama Karma, Purusartha, Preyas and Sreyas

Unit 7: (a) Socio-political concepts: Right, Duty, Obligation, Freedom, Justice
(b) Theories of Punishment

Unit 8: Professional Ethics
(a) The distinction between business and profession
(b) Moral duties and responsibilities of teachers, students, lawyers, doctors, businessmen

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2) Titus; Living Issues in Philosophy, Asian Publishing House New Delhi 1968 (Chap. I)
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7) Dixit Shreenivas Hari *Tattvajnanatila samasya*, Phadke Prakashan, Kolhapur
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