



# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

## M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – PHILOSOPHY

4 SEMESTER – APRIL 2024

### PPL4MC03 – CONTEMPORARY INDIAN THOUGHT

Date: 18-04-2024

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Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

#### SECTION A – K1 (CO1)

**Answer ALL the questions**

**(5 x 1 = 5)**

#### 1 MCQ

a) The meaning of the term theosophy is

- i) Song of the Lord                      ii) Divine Wisdom                      iii) Study of nature

b) The social movement by Medha Patkar is

- i) Sardar Sarovar Dam                      ii) Narmada Bachao Andolan                      iii) Jal, Jungle and Jameen

c) The founder of SNDP movement is

- i) Sri Jayaprakash Narayan                      ii) Anna Hazare                      iii) Sri Narayana Guru

d) Total revolution is a slogan by

- i) Ambedkar                      ii) Jayaprakash Narayan                      iii) Gandhiji

e) The hugging mother is

- i) Mother Teresa                      ii) Mata Amritanandamayi                      iii) Medha Patkar

#### SECTION A – K2 (CO1)

**Answer ALL the questions**

**(5 x 1 = 5)**

#### 2 State the following statements true or false

a) Raja Ram Mohan Roy is not the Father of Indian Renaissance.

b) Caste system does not focus on division of laborers.

c) Annihilation of caste is a lecture delivered by Ambedkar in Lahore.

d) Gandhiji desired to eradicate western railway system because they were carriers of diseases.

e) Osho established Rajneesh ashram in Pune.

#### SECTION B – K3 (CO2)

**Answer any THREE of the following in 100 words each.**

**(3 x 10 = 30)**

3 Describe the role played by Brahma Samaj in Indian Renaissance.

4 Critically assess Gandhiji's concept of Hind swaraj.

5 Birsa Munda Movement sowed the seeds for Tribal liberation. Justify your answer.

6 State the causes of socio-religious movements in 18<sup>th</sup> century India.

7 Compare and contrast the philosophy and methodology of Sadguru and Mata Amritanandamayi.

**SECTION C – K4 (CO3)**

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|    | <b>Answer any TWO of the following in 200 words each.</b>                                                             | <b>(2 x 12.5 = 25)</b> |
| 8  | Describe the salient features of Arya Samaj.                                                                          |                        |
| 9  | State the reasons of Gandhiji against railways and westernization of Indian education, medicine and political system. |                        |
| 10 | Why did Ambedkar insist that social reform and political reform must go hand in hand?                                 |                        |
| 11 | Expound the challenges of contemporary Indian Society today.                                                          |                        |

**SECTION D – K5 (CO4)**

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|    | <b>Answer any ONE of the following in 500 words</b>                                       | <b>(1 x 15 = 15)</b> |
| 12 | Explain the features of Integral yoga of Aurobindo.                                       |                      |
| 13 | The contemporary caste scenario is not much different from the time of Ambedkar. Discuss. |                      |

**SECTION E – K6 (CO5)**

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|    | <b>Answer any ONE of the following in 1000 words</b>                                     | <b>(1 x 20 = 20)</b> |
| 14 | How do Fundamental Rights in Indian Constitution uphold human dignity?                   |                      |
| 15 | Critically assess the concept of Hindutva, Hinduism and Hindu as propounded by Savarkar. |                      |

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