



# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 034

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – PHILOSOPHY

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PPL3MC04 – VEDANTA



Date: 15-11-2024

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Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00 am-12:00 pm

## SECTION A – K1 (CO1)

**Answer ALL the questions**

**(5 x 1 = 5)**

**1 Answer the following**

- Name the four *Āśramas*.
- Mention the other name for *Upaniṣads*.
- What is the Concern of Karma-kāṇḍa?
- Mention the name of Rāmānuja's commentary.
- What is *Sūtra*?

## SECTION A – K2 (CO1)

**Answer ALL the questions**

**(5 x 1 = 5)**

**2 Answer the following**

- What is the meaning first Brahma-sūtra?
- The meaning of *prasthāna* is \_\_\_\_\_
- What is 'Tattva-traya'?
- Define *satkāryavāda*.
- What is the theory of Sublation?

## SECTION B – K3 (CO2)

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

**(3 x 10 = 30)**

- Explain the 'States of Consciousness' according to *Māṇḍūkya-Upaniṣat*.
- Write a short note on Advaita before Śaṅkara.
- Explain the four *Āśramas* in relation with four parts of Vedic Literature.
- Who according to *Kaṭhōpaniṣat* are not qualified to attain Self?
- Write a short note on the *prasthāna-traya*.

## SECTION C – K4 (CO3)

**Answer any TWO of the following in 200 words each.**

**(2 x 12.5 = 25)**

- Bring out the main features of the second *Brahma-sūtra*.
- How to realize the Self according to *Kaṭhōpaniṣat*?
- Explain the salient features of God, bondage and liberation according to Advaita.
- Explain the role of *sākṣin* in Dvaita epistemology.

**SECTION D – K5 (CO4)**

**Answer any ONE of the following in 500 words**

**(1 x 15 = 15)**

**12** Illustrate the argument against Sāṅkhya's explanation of *Satkāryavāda*.

**13** Comment on 'Abhishiktananda's non-dual perception and beyond.'

**SECTION E – K6 (CO5)**

**Answer any ONE of the following in 1000 words**

**(1 x 20 = 20)**

**14** Illustrate the three boons sought by Nachiketa.

**15** Critically evaluate Advaita Metaphysics.

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