

**UG 5th Semester Examinations 2021**

**PHILOSOPHY (Honours)**

**Paper Code : DC-11**

**Epistemology and Metaphysics (Western)**

**Full Marks : 32**

**Time : 2 Hours**

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Section-I**

Answer any *one* question of the following :

16×1=16

1. What is sign? Explain after Hospers the difference between sign and symbol. Distinguish between conventional and natural signs. 2+8+6
2. What is a cause? How does David Hume hold the view that causality, in effect is merely “constant conjunction”? Is this view tenable? 4+8+4
3. Explain and examine the verifiability criterion of meaning. 16

**Section-II**

4. Answer any *one* question of the following :

8×1=8

- (a) Distinguish between strong and weak idealism. 8
- (b) What is category mistake? 8

**Section-III**

5. Answer any *four* questions of the following :

2×4=8

- (a) What is the distinction between stipulative definition and reportive definition?
- (b) What is logical possibility?

(c) Do you think that 'day' is the cause of 'night'? Give reason.

(d) What is 'knowing how'?

(e) Are all a-priori statements analytic?

(f) What is contingent truth?

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