

B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2014

Semester - V

Philosophy

Paper : H.12

(Indian Metaphysics)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer **any four** questions

1. Expound on the similarities and differences among the *Padārthas* (categories) as per Prasastapāda's Padārthadharmasaṁgraha. 10
 2. Explain the *lakṣaṇa* (definition) substance (*dravya*) after Prasastapāda. 10
 3. Explain briefly three types of *abhāva*, according to Prasastapāda. 10
 4. Explain the relation between *samavāya* (Inherence) and *saṁyoga* (conjunction) after Padārthadharmasaṁgraha. 10
 5. Discuss Sridhara's detailed exposition and defense of Prasastapāda's arguments for the existence of the self/soul (*ātman*) in his Nyāya Kandali. 10
 6. Write short notes on **any two** of the following: 5+5=10
 - (a) Ākāśa
 - (b) The nature of number (*saṁkhyā*) in Prasastapāda
 - (c) Judgment (*avadhāraṇa*) (Prasastapāda)
 - (d) Proofs for God's existence in Sridhara's Nyāya Kandali.
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