

**B.A. (Honours) Examination 2018**  
**Semester-I**  
**Comparative Religion**  
**Course H-1 (Old)**  
**(History of Religious Traditions of Indian Origin)**  
**(Only for Back Candidates)**

**Time : 3 Hours**

**Full Marks : 40**

**Questions are of value as indicated in the margin**

Answer **any four** questions

1. Explain the concept of '*Karma*' in the Hindu Tradition. How is the concept related to the idea of liberation (*Mokṣa*)? 6+4=10
  2. Who are Tirthankaras? Write a brief note on the Jain Tirthankaras. 2+8=10
  3. Give an overview of the life and teachings of Gautama Buddha. 10
  4. Discuss the role of Guru Govind Singh in the consolidation of the Sikh community. 10
  5. How are the Upaniṣads connected to the Vedas? In this connection, discuss the main teachings of the Upaniṣads . 2+8=10
  6. Write short notes on **any two** of the following : 5+5=10
    - a) The four noble Truths
    - b) Digambaras and Śvetāmbaras
    - c) Guru Granth Sahib
    - d) The *Purāṇas*
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