

LIST OF 15 CORE PAPERS [PHILOSOPHY]

CORE [PHILOSOPHY] - I

- a. Four-year Undergraduate Programme
- b. Subject: Philosophy
- c. Semester: FIRST
- d. Course Name: **ANCIENT INDIAN THOUGHT**
- e. Existing Base Syllabus: NA
- f. Course Level: 100-199
- g. Syllabus showing each unit against class numbers and marks :

Unit no.	Unit content	No.of classes	Marks
I:Vedic Thought	-Saṃhita: Meaning, Theology, Cosmology, Ethics -Brāhmaṇas: Meaning, General Character, Theory of Sacrifice, Ethics -Āraṇyakas and Upaniṣads: Meaning, Doctrines of Upaniṣads	15	25
II:Non-Vedic Thought	-Bauddha: Four Noble Truths, Impermanence and Momentariness, No-soul -Jaina: Anekāntvāda, Syādvāda, Bondage and Liberation -Cārvaka: Theory of Knowledge, Rejection of Transcendental Entities, Ethics	15	25
III: Smṛiti and Epics	-Manusāṃhita: Dharma -Mahābhārata: Religion, Dharma -Rāmāyaṇa: Idea of Perfect Life	15	25
IV : Pūrāṇas	-Pūrāṇa: Meaning, Origin -Pūrāṇa: Content -Pūrāṇa: Ethics	15	25

h. Reading list:

Chatterjee, S. and D. Dutta : *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*

Dasgupta, S. A : *History of Indian Philosophy. Volume I*

De, S.K., U. N. Ghosal, A. D. Pusalker, R.C. Hazra (eds) : *The Cultural Heritage of India.*

Volume III

Keith, A. B : *The Religion and Philosophy of the Veda and Upanisads. Volume II*

Radhakrishnan, S : *Indian Philosophy. Volume I*

Sinha, Jadunath : *Indian Philosophy. Volume I*

Winternitz, M : *A History of Indian Literature. Volume I*

i. Graduate Attributes

i. Course Objectives :

- The Course introduces the students to thoughts which were available in ancient India.
- The Course introduces the ideas and concepts which helped systems of Indian Philosophy to develop.
- The Course introduces the students to the objectives towards which knowledge was directed in ancient India.

ii. Learning Outcomes:

- At the completion of the Course, a student is expected to be able to articulate the distinct areas of thoughts of ancient India.
- At the completion of the Course, a student is expected to be able to determine the characteristics/ distinguishing marks of a specific area of thought in ancient India.
- At the completion of the Course, a student is expected to be able to identify/ trace ideas of ancient India that have continued.

- j. Theory Credit : 4
- k. Practical Credit: NA
- l. No. of Required Classes: 60
- m. No. of Contact Classes: 45
- n. No. of Non-Contact Classes: 15
- o. Particulars of Course Designer (Name, Institution, email id): Dr. Shakuntala Bora, Gauhati University, shakuntalabora@yahoo.com