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PHILOSOPHY

Paper : 4PHIMJC2

Date : 06/05/2025

Time : 11 am – 1 pm

Full Marks : 50

1. Answer **any two** of the following questions: [2×5]
 - a) Explain the difference between *Sreyas* and *Preyas*.
 - b) Explain the nature of *Ṛna*.
 - c) What is *yoga-kṣema*? Discuss.
 - d) What is the difference between *vanāsrāma* and *sādhāna dharma*? - Discuss.

2. Answer **any one** of the following : [1×15]
 - a) Explain the concept of *Brahma-vihāra bhāvana* in Buddhist ethics.
 - b) Define the concept of law of Karma. Discuss the ethical implications of law of Karma. (5+10)

3. Answer **any two** of the following questions: [2×5]
 - a) Explain the difference between moral and non-moral actions.
 - b) Explain the nature of Cultural Relativism.
 - c) "Pleasure is the natural and normal object of desire, that we always seek pleasure and avoid pain." — Explain.
 - d) Explain in brief the 'Retributive theory' of punishment.

4. Answer **any one** of the following : [1×15]
 - a) State and explain the basic tenet of utilitarianism. Make a distinction between act-utilitarianism and rule-utilitarianism. (5+10)
 - b) What does Kant mean by good will? How does he make a distinction between hypothetical and categorical imperative? (5+10)

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