

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

Belur Math, Howrah – 711 202

U.G. ADMISSION TEST – 2025

PHILOSOPHY

Date : 26-06-2025

Full Marks : 20

Time: 11·00 a.m. – 11·40 a.m.

1) Answer **any four** of the following questions either **in Bengali or in English**. [4×5]

- a) Briefly discuss any one school of Indian philosophy that you have studied at the Higher Secondary level.
- b) Do you think that philosophy can play a favourable role in the current crisis of our family life? Explain your views.
- c) According to Western philosophy, discuss the difference between materialism and idealism.
- d) *Translate the following passage into Bengali:*
I planned to stay in *Shantiniketan* for a while, but things turned out differently. I had only been there for a week when I got a telegram from Poona saying that Gokhale had passed away. Everyone at *Shantiniketan* was deeply shocked. Many people came to offer their sympathy. A special meeting was held at the *Ashram* temple to mourn this national loss. It was a serious and respectful event. That same day, I left for Poona with my wife and Maganlal. The others stayed behind at *Shantiniketan*. Andrews came with me as far as *Burdwan*. On the way, he asked, “Do you think the time will come for *Satyāgraha* in India? And if it does, do you know when it might happen?”
- e) Distinguish between deductive and inductive arguments with suitable examples.
- f) Do you think that philosophy connects politics, sociology and economics? Give reasons for your answer.
- g) Briefly discuss the relevance of Rabindranath’s humanism.
- h) If A and B are true and X and Y are false, but the truth-value of P and Q are not known, determine the truth-value of the following: (2.5 × 2)
 - i) $P \cdot (\sim P \vee Y)$
 - ii) $Q \vee \sim Q$
- i) Briefly discuss how relevant is *Operation Sindoor*, which recently took place in India— from a philosophical perspective.
- j) Write a short note on : *Āstika and Nāstika*

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