

**CIVIL SERVICE EXAM 2009**  
**30.10.2009**

**SI No. 1438**

**B-DTN-J-QBA**

**PHILOSOPHY**

**Paper II**

Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 300

**INSTRUCTIONS**

*Each Question is printed both in Hindi and English Medium.*

*Answer must be written in the medium specified in the Admission Certificate issued to you, which must be stated clearly on the cover of the answer book in the space provided for the purpose. No Marks will be given for the answers written in a medium other than that specific in the Admission Certificate.*

*Candidates should attempt Question No. 1 and 5 which are compulsory and any three of the remaining questions selecting at least one question from each Section.*

*The number of marks carried by each question is indicated at the end of the question.*

**SECTION – A**

1. Comments short notes on any **THREE** of the following in not more than 200 words each: 20×3=60

- a) Define Monarchy. Is it ethically justified ?
- b) “ You are not punished for stealing the sheep, but you are punished so that no sheep is stolen,” Discuss as to which theory of punishment the statement belongs.
- c) Compare Bodin’s and Austin’s views on sovereignty.
- d) “ Rights and duties are complementary.” Explain.

2. a). Is Theology an outdated ideology ? Discuss. 30

b). Is Secularism analogous to Atheism? Examine in the Indian context. 30

3. a). Comment on the relationship between equality and Freedom. 30

b). Is capital punishment, in your view, ethically justified? 30

4. Examine the Land and Property Rights of women in India.  
How far do they contribute to empower women? 60

SECTION 'B'

5. Answer any **three** of the following in not more than 200 words each: 20×3=60

- a). Critically examine the 'Causal' argument as a proof for the existence of God.
- b). If evils and sufferings are the real experiences of individual selves, what role do they play in realizing self transcendence?
- c). Explain the nature of religious experience. Can this experience be validated?
- d). Is religious language symbolic? Discuss.

6. a). Analyse the 'Teleological' argument as a proof for existence of God. 30

- b). Examine why Man has a desire for Immorality. 30

7. Comment on the following statements : 30×2=60

- a). "To be Man is to Strive to be God."
- b). "There are no whole truths; all truths are half truths. It is trying to treat them as whole truths that plays the devils."
8. a). Can the 'God' of Religion be identified with the 'Absolute' of Philosophy? 30
- b). Comment on the statement that "Religion only promised but never fulfilled the promise." 30