

IAS Mains Philosophy 2000

Paper I

Section A

1. Discuss and evaluate any three of the following in not more than 200 words each:
 - a. Plato's theory of ideas
 - b. Monadology of Leibnitz
 - c. *Esse est percipi*
 - d. Sartre distinguished ontology
2. State and examine Kant's criticism of the proofs for the existence of God.
3. Give a critical account of Moore's refutation of idealism.
4. Explain the verification theory and show whether it leads to the elimination of metaphysics.

Section B

5. Write short notes (not more than 200 words each) on any three of the following:
 - a. Sankara's view on the nature and reality of individual souls (Jivas)
 - b. Saptabhingi Naya
 - c. Kshanikavada
 - d. Ethics of Carvaka school
6. Explain critically the objections raised by Ramanuja against Sankara's concept of maya.
7. Give a comparative account of the concept of causation as found in the various schools of Indian thought.
8. State and examine the doctrine of Pancabheda in the Advaita system of Vedanta.