FEDERAL PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR
RECRUITMENT TO POSTS IN BPS-17 UNDER
THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, 2010

PHILOSOPHY, PAPER-I

Roll Number

TIME ALLOWED:	**(PART-I) 30 MINUTES**	**MAXIMUM MARKS:20**
	(PART-II) 2 HOURS & 30 MINUTES	**MAXIMUM MARKS:80**

NOTE: (i) **First** attempt **PART-I (MCQ)** on separate **Answer Sheet** which shall be taken back after **30 minutes.**
(ii) Overwriting/cutting of the options/answers will not be given credit.

PART – I (MCQ)
(COMPULSORY)

Q.1. Select the best option/answer and fill in the appropriate box on the Answer Sheet. (20)

(a) Which of the following are propositions? Choose True or False:

(i) Logic distinguisher correct reasoning from incorrect reasoning:
(a) True (b) False

(ii) Conclusion can be drawn from two negative premises in categorical syllogism:
(a) True (b) False

(iii) If a premise of categorical syllogism is negative the conclusion must be negative:
(a) True (b) False

(iv) Syllogism does not commit the fallacy of Petitio principii:
(a) True (b) False

(v) To consider what is true of the whole must be true of its parts, is not fallacy:
(a) True (b) False

(b) Which one of the following is a proposition and which is not:

(vi) Close the door:
(a) Yes (b) No

(vii) Some students are intelligent:
(a) Yes (b) No

(viii) What a pleasant evening:
(a) Yes (b) No

(ix) All men are mortal:
(a) Yes (b) No

(x) Some books of Logic are not interesting:
(a) Yes (b) No

(c) Choose the best options:

(xi) Deductive logic was introduced by:
(a) Pythagoras (b) Plato (c) Aristotle (d) None of these

(xii) Inductive Logic was introduced by:
(a) Socrates (b) Francis Bacon (c) Russell (d) None of these

(xiii) Al Radd al Mantiqiyeen was written by:
(a) Al Ghazali (b) Ibn-e-Taimiyah (c) Ibn-e-Sina (d) None of these

(xiv) Inference of induction argument is:
(a) necessary (b) probable (c) invalid (d) None of these

(xv) Logic is a:
(a) Behavioural science (b) Normative science (c) Natural science (d) None of these

(xvi) If in categorical syllogism the middle term is not distributed, it commits the fallacy of:
(a) Existential fallacy (b) Undistributed Middle (c) Illicit major (d) None of these

(xvii) Symbolic logic is different from:
(a) Deductive logic (b) Inductive logic (c) Both of these (d) None of these

(xviii) Hypothesis is important in:
(a) Scientific explanation (b) Deductive logic (c) Symbolic logic (d) None of these

(xix) Dilemma is a rhetoric argument:
(a) Correct (b) Incorrect (c) None of these

(xx) Where P is true and q is false, P.q is:
(a) True (b) False (c) None of these

PART – II

NOTE:	**(i)** **PART-II** is to be attempted on the separate **Answer Book.** **(ii)** Attempt **ONLY FOUR** questions from **PART-II.** All questions carry **EQUAL** marks. **(iii)** Extra attempt of any question or any part of the attempted question will not be considered.

Q.2. Define proposition. Explain Aristotle's view of propositions. **(20)**

Q.3. Inductive inference is probable. Discuss it with reference to analogical arguments. **(20)**

Q.4. Emotive language is ambiguous. Illustrate with the help of fallacies of ambiguity. **(20)**

Q.5. Write a note on symbolic logic defining its symbols of conjunction, disjunction and negation with examples. **(20)**

Q.6. What is scientific explanation? Discuss the role of hypothesis in scientific explanation. **(20)**

Q.7. Describe Ibn-e-Sina's contribution in logic. **(20)**

Q.8. Discuss Ibn-e-Taimiyah's criticism on Aristotle's logic. **(20)**

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PART – I (MCQ)
(COMPULSORY)

Q.1. Select the best option/answer and fill in the appropriate box on the Answer Sheet. (20)

(i) Who is the author of "Being and Nothingness"?
(a) Sartre (b) Heidegger
(c) Kierkegaard (d) None of these

(ii) Who is the author of "Being and Time"?
(a) Karl Jaspers (b) Gabriel Marcel
(c) Heidegger (d) None of these

(iii) Who wrote "Tractatus Logico Philosophicus"?
(a) Ayes (b) Wittgenstein
(c) Carnap (d) None of these

(iv) Who wrote "Language Truth and Logic"?
(a) Russell (b) Ayes
(c) Schlick (d) None of these

(v) "Das Kapital" was written by:
(a) Hegel (b) Karl Marx
(c) Engels (d) None of these

(vi) Who said "To be is to be perceived"?
(a) Locke (b) Hobbes
(c) Berkeley (d) None of these

(vii) The theory of creative evolution was presented by:
(a) Bergson (b) Nietzsche
(c) Hobbes (d) None of these

(viii) Who is the father of religious existentialism?
(a) Karl Jaspers (b) Soren Kierkegaard
(c) Heidegger (d) None of these

(ix) Dialectical method was introduced in modern philosophy by:
(a) Kant (b) Descartes
(c) Hegel (d) None of these

(x) Berkeley was:
(a) Rationalist (b) Idealist
(c) Skeptic (d) None of these

(xi) Who is the author of "Tahafat-ul-Falasefah"?
(a) Al Kindi (b) Al Ghazali
(c) Ibn Sina (d) None of these

(xii) Who is the author of "Hujjat-allah ul Baleghah"?
(a) Ibn Rushd (b) Shah Waliullah
(c) Sayyid Ahmed Khan (d) None of these

(xiii) Reconstruction of religious thought in Islam is written by:
(a) R.A. Nicholson (b) Allama Iqbal
(c) Mathew Arnold (d) None of these

(xiv) "Kashful Mehjoob" is a book written by:
(a) Ibn Arabi (b) Ali Hajvery Data Ganj Bukhsh
(c) Rumi (d) None of these

(xv) Doctrine of Wahdat ul Wajud is introduced in sufism by:
(a) Al Farabi (b) Ibn Arabi
(c) Al Kindi (d) None of these

(xvi) Who believed "the beautific vision of God is impossible"?
(a) Asharites (b) Mutazilites
(c) Sufis (d) None of these

(xvii) Ibn Rushd is famous for his translations of:
(a) Plato (b) Pythagoras
(c) Aristotle (d) None of these

(xviii) Asharites were:
(a) Rationalists (b) Traditionalist
(c) Sufis (d) None of these

(xix) Who is the father of Muslim Philosophy?
(a) Al Farabi (b) Al Kindi
(c) Ibn Sina (d) None of these

(xx) Who is known as "Al muallim al thani"?
(a) Al Farabi (b) Ibn Sina
(c) Al Ghazali (d) None of these

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Q.2. Explain various types of Idealism. Discuss Berkeley's idealism. **(20)**

Q.3. Define Materialism. Critically examine Dialectical Materialism. **(20)**

Q.4. Existence precedes essence. Discuss with reference to Sartre's existentialism. **(20)**

Q.5. Analyse Logical Positivists' views regarding elimination of metaphysics. **(20)**

Q.6. Discuss Al Ghazali's criticism of philosophers regarding the eternity of the world. **(20)**

Q.7. Ibn Khaldun is founder of philosophy of history and sociology. Discuss. **(20)**

Q.8. Elaborate Iqbal's concept of Ijtihad as the principle of movement in the structure of Islam. **(20)**

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