



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 034

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – PHILOSOPHY

FOURTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2025

PPL4MC04 – MORAL PHILOSOPHY



Date: 28-04-2025

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Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

SECTION A – K1 (CO1)

Answer ALL the questions

(5 x 1 = 5)

1 True or False

- a) Moral issue arises when it affects the wellbeing of a person.
- b) Voluntarism emphasizes the primacy of will.
- c) Kantian ethical theory is end based.
- d) Natural Moral Law theory is about subjective morality.
- e) *Dharma* is the foundation of the Hindu way of life.

SECTION A – K2 (CO1)

Answer ALL the questions

(5 x 1 = 5)

2 MCQ

- a) 'A good teacher' refers to-
i) moral, ii) non-moral, iii) immoral meaning of 'good'.
- b) The most important constituent of human act is-
i) knowledge, ii) voluntariness, iii) freedom.
- c) Kantian ethical theory is –
i) end based, ii) law based, iii) emotion based.
- d) Natural Law theory is generally based on-
i) practical needs of people, ii) enduring moral principles, iii) opinion of people.
- e) Business Ethics endorses-
i) minimum, ii) maximum, iii) reasonable profit.

SECTION B – K3 (CO2)

Answer any THREE of the following in 100 words each.

(3 x 10 = 30)

- 3 Explain Ethics/Moral Philosophy. How is ethics different yet related to Anthropology, Psychology and Biology?
- 4 Give Thomas Aquinas' definition of Law and explain the kinds of law.
- 5 Write a note on *Lokasangraha*.
- 6 Write a note on Business Ethics and bring out its various aspects.
- 7 What is Meta-ethics? State and explain the various metaethical theories.

SECTION C – K4 (CO3)

Answer any TWO of the following in 200 words each.

(2 x 12.5 = 25)

- 8 What are *An Act of Man* and *A Human Act*? Explain the three properties of a human act.

9	Discuss Moral Positivism of Emile Durkheim.
10	What is a <i>Purusārtha</i> ? Write an essay on <i>Artha</i> and <i>Kāma</i> as <i>purusārthas</i> .
11	Discuss the moral implications of Organ Donation. Give your reflection.
SECTION D – K5 (CO4)	
	Answer any ONE of the following in 500 words (1 x 15 = 15)
12	Describe Epicurus' ethical principle and comment on his recommendations for happy life.
13	Critically evaluate the relevance of ' <i>Varna Dharma</i> ' in today's context.
SECTION E – K6 (CO5)	
	Answer any ONE of the following in 1000 words (1 x 20 = 20)
14	Critically assess the Utilitarian Theories of Jeremy Bentham and John Stuart Mill.
15	Explain <i>Karma</i> theory as a Law of Retribution. Comment how the theory offers scope for freedom and moral growth.

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