# BACHELORS WITH PHILOSOPHY AS MAJOR (CT -2) 6<sup>th</sup> SEMESTER

### PHL622J2 PHILOSOPHY INDIAN PHILOSOPHY - III

CREDITS: 06 (THEORY: 04, TUTORIAL: 02)

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

- To introduce students to various philosophical thinkers of contemporary India and acquaint them with the key debates in modern Indian philosophy.
- To familiarize students with the epistemology, metaphysics and ethics of various modern Indian thinkers.

### **LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

### After the completion of the course, the students will be able:

- To develop a deep understanding of the development of philosophy in modern times.
- To appreciate the richness of various philosophical debates in modern India.

### UNIT I

- > Development of Contemporary Indian philosophy
- Swami Vivekananda: Universal Religion
- > Tagore: Religion of man

#### **UNIT II**

- > Aurobindo: Evolution and Involution
- ➤ Bhattacharya: Four grades of consciousness
- ➤ Krishnamurti: Freedom from the known

### **UNIT III**

- M. N. Roy: Humanism
- > Nehru: Modernity
- ➤ Sir Syed Ahmad Khan: Rationalism

### **UNIT IV**

- Iqbal: Selfhood
- Gandhi: Ahimsa, Satyagrah
- > Ambedkar: Social Justice

## **TUTORIALS** (Assignments/Group Discussions/Presentation/Written test/ Quiz/Book Review/Field Survey)

- > Spiritual evolution in Aurobindo's work: A critical study.
- ➤ Sir Syed Ahmad Khan and Muhammad Iqbal: A comparative study.
- ➤ Significance of Gandhi's ahimsa and Satyagrah in modern times.
- Can a religion be universal? Discuss in light of Vivekananda's thought.

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