

IAS Mains Philosophy 1990

Paper II

Section A

1. Give critical comments on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each
 - a. Ideology is a process accomplished by the so-called thinker consciously indeed, but with a false consciousness.
 - b. The will of a people finds expression in the will and Power of one leader who is capable of rising above private interests.
 - c. The Success of Civil disobedience is dependent on the extent to which it can prevent or delay the judicial process
 - d. The essence of modernity in nihilism, combined with the recognition of the impossibility of nihilism.
2. Why is communism turning to democracy for its survival? Has it overcome its opposition to democracy? Answer with arguments and illustrations.
3. Explain and examine the following statement in the content of Sarvodaya Philosophy State is the actuality of the Ethical Idea
4. Analyze and evaluate the elements of change in Indian Social Institutions

Section B

5. Write critical comments on any three of the following in not more than 200 Words each
 - a. Religion is more than morality
 - b. If God was to create us free and enable us thereby to have the maturity and dignity of responsible beings. He had to allow us to Sin.
 - c. Moksha is the being of Brahman
 - d. Understanding is the reward of faith.
6. Explain and evaluate the ontological argument for the existence of God.
7. What is mysticism? Discuss the chief characteristics of mystic experience.
8. Can non-theistic faiths be seen as encounters with the same divine reality that is encountered in theistic faiths? Explain in the light of the unity of all religions.