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(November-December)

PHILOSOPHY

(Honours)

(**Philosophy of Religion**)

(PHIL : 52)

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

Answer any **five** questions

1. Mention some of the definitions of religion.
What, according to you, is the most
satisfactory definition of religion? Explain.
8+7=15
2. What role does reason, revelation and faith
play in the formation of religious belief?
5+5+5=15
3. Explain the idea of God (Isvara) in Hinduism. 15

4. What are the distinguishing features of tribal religion? Explain. 15
5. Critically examine the teleological arguments for the existence of God. 15
6. What is the Buddhist's understanding of suffering? How does it shape the path to enlightenment? $10+5=15$
7. What is meant by liberation in religion? Explain the concept of salvation in Christianity. $3+12=15$
8. Explain the concept of tolerance in religion. What is the significance of tolerance in the present-day world? $5+10=15$
9. What is secularism? What are its key features? Is secularism the only way to reduce religious conflicts and foster peaceful coexistence? $2+5+8=15$
10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : $7\frac{1}{2}\times 2=15$
 - (a) Religion and science
 - (b) Suffering in Jainism
 - (c) Conversion
 - (d) Idea of God in any one tribal religion of India

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