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## PHILOSOPHY

**Title of the Paper: Introduction to Philosophy**

### Unit I

#### Nature and scope of Philosophy

##### 1. Definitions of Philosophy

- a) Indian - Etymological Definition - *Tattvajñāna*  
- Philosophy as *Darśana*
- b) Western - Etymological Definition  
- Philosophy as synoptic view of the world

##### 2. Branches of philosophy (Western)

### Unit II

#### Epistemology

##### 1) Nature and concept of knowledge

##### 2) Sources of knowledge :

- a) Indian - *Pratyakṣa, Anumāna, Śabda*
- b) Western - Sense-experience, Reason

### Unit III

#### Metaphysics

##### 1) Nature of Reality

- a) Indian - Cārvāk, Buddhism, Vedānta
- b) Western - Materialism, Idealism

### Unit IV

#### Logic and Methodology

- 1. Methods of Philosophy : Method of *Vāda* and Dialogue
- 2. Nature of Argument - Forms of Reasoning : Deductive and Inductive

### Unit V

#### Ethics (Indian)

Basic concepts in Indian Ethics : *Ṛta, Rna, Dharma, Varṇāśramadharmā, Sādharāṇadharmā*

### Unit VI

#### Ethics (Western)

Basic Concepts in Western Ethics : Good, Right, Duty, Obligation  
Hedonism, Utilitarianism, Kant's Deontological theory

### Unit VII

#### Aesthetics

- 1) Nature of Art
- 2) Nature of Beauty
- 3) Art and Morality

## **Unit VIII**

### **God**

- 1) Nature and attributes of God
- 2) Relation between God and World : Deism, Theism, Pantheism
- 3) Proofs for Existence of God : Cosmological, Ontological, Teleological, Moral  
(Indian - Nyāya Darśan and Western views)

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