# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – PHILOSOPHY

FIRST SEMESTER – APRIL 2022

### PPL 1503 – INDIAN RELIGIONS AND CULTURES

Date: 27-04-2022 Dept. No. Time: 09:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

# PART- A

# Write short notes on the following:

- 1. The need to learn cultures and religions.
- 2. The fundamental triplets of Jainism.
- 3. The five aggregates that form the self, according to Buddhism.
- 4. The five symbols that Sikhs wear as part of their religion.
- 5. Gender equality in Islam.
- 6. Jaina understanding of Karma that enter the body and cause bondage.

# PART-B

## Answer the following Questions:

7A. Critically analyse Indian cultures today.

#### (OR)

7B. Would religions be able to offer better worldviews for a better humanity? Illustrate.

8A. Discuss the relevance of Jainism for modern times.

#### (OR)

8B. Critically assess the challenges that Indian Christianity faces today.

9A. Explain the expressions of Atheism in India.

#### (OR)

9B. Theism in India. Discuss.

10A Describe any one of the pillars in Islam, giving reasons for the choice.

#### (OR)

10B. What are the four noble truths in Buddhism? Do they have an appeal outside Buddhism?

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(4x16=64 Marks)

(6x6=36 Marks)

Max.: 100 Marks

