



**GAUHATI UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY
REVISED SYLLABUS FOR TDC (Honours)**

**Semester I
PHI-HC-1016
Indian Philosophy I**

Unit I

Development of Indian Philosophy: the Vedas, the Upaniṣads, Bhagavadgītā
Meaning and scope of Indian Philosophy
Schools of Indian Philosophy; the Common Characteristics of Indian Systems

Unit II

Carvaka Materialism: Epistemology (Denial of Inference and Testimony); Metaphysics Four elements; denial of soul; denial of God; Ethics
Jainism: Anekāntavāda; Syadvada; Saptabhaṅgi Naya
Jainism: Navatattva

Unit III

Buddhism: Four Noble Truths; Suffering; Cause of Suffering and Chain of Twelve Links; Cessation of Suffering and *Nirvana*; Way of Cessation of Suffering and *Astangika Marga*
Buddhism: Theory of Dependent Origination
Buddhism: Theory of Impermanence; Theory of No-soul

Unit IV

Abhidharma Schools: Vaibhāṣika (bāhya-pratyakṣa-vāda); Sautrānika (bahyānumeya-vāda)
Madhyamaka: Sunyavāda
Yogacāra: Vijñānavāda

Books Recommended:

Chatterjee, S.C & Dutta, D.M:	<i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy</i>
Dasgupta, S.N.:	<i>A History of Indian Philosophy</i>
Hiriyana, M.	<i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i>
Radhakrishnan, S.	<i>Indian Philosophy</i>
Sharma, C.D.	<i>A Critical Survey Of Indian Philosophy</i>
Sinha, J.N.	<i>Indian Philosophy, Volume I & II</i>

Semester I
PHI-HC-1026
Logic –I

Unit I:

Argument and Argument Form
Truth and Validity
Deduction and Induction

Unit II:

Categorical Propositions; Translating Ordinary Proposition into Standard Form;
Square of Opposition.
Categorical Syllogism; Figures and Moods
Immediate Inference

Unit III:

Venn Diagrammatic Representation of Propositions and Arguments
Idea of Existential Import
Testing Validity by Venn Diagram

Unit IV:

Concept of Set
Operations of Set- Union, Intersection and Difference
Symbolization of Sentences by Set Notations

Books Recommended:

Basson and O'Connor
Chakraborti, Chhanda,
Copi, I.M.
Hurley, Patrick.
Roy, B.N.
Suppes, P.

Introduction to Symbolic Logic
Logic: Informal, Symbolic and Inductive
Introduction to Logic. 14th Edition,
Introduction to Logic
Deductive Logic
Introduction to Logic

Semester I
PHI-HG-1016
General Philosophy

Unit I

Definition, Nature and Scope of Philosophy
Branches of Philosophy
Realism and Idealism

Unit II

Substance
Causality
Space and Time

Unit III

Empiricism, Rationalism
Criticism
Scepticism

Unit IV

Correspondence
Coherence
Pragmatic and Semantic

Books Recommended:

Patrick, G.T.W.:	<i>Introduction to Philosophy</i>
Cunningham, G.W.:	<i>Problems of Philosophy</i>
Russell, Bertrand.:	<i>Problems of Philosophy</i>
Taylor, Richard.:	<i>Metaphysics</i>
Hamlyn, D.W.:	<i>Metaphysics</i>
	<i>Theory of Knowledge</i>
Woozley, A.D.	<i>Theory of Knowledge</i>

Semester II
PHI-HC-2016
Greek Philosophy

Unit I:

Thales, Anaximander, Anaximenes
Pythagoras
Heraclitus, Democritus and Parmenides

Unit II:

Protagoras
Socrates' method
Socrates' virtue

Unit III: Plato

Knowledge and Opinion
Theory of Forms
Justice

Unit IV: Aristotle

Form and Matter
Causation
Actuality and Potentiality

Books Recommended:

Stace W.T.:	<i>A Critical History of Greek Philosophy</i>
Barnet J.:	<i>Early Greek Philosophy</i>
Fuller B.A.G.:	<i>History of Greek Philosophy</i>
F. Copleston (Vol. 1):	<i>History of Philosophy</i>
Zeller:	<i>Outlines of Greek Philosophy</i>
Gomperz:	<i>The Greek Thinkers</i>
Guthrie W.K.C.:	<i>History of Greek Philosophy</i>
Moore B.N:	<i>Philosophy, The Power of Ideas</i>

Semester II
PHI-HC-2026
Logic II

Unit I:

Symbolic Logic and its Characteristics, Uses of Symbols
Relation between Traditional Logic and Symbolic Logic
Modern Classification of Propositions

Unit II:

Logical Connectives and Variables
Symbolization of Sentences
Symbolization of Arguments

Unit III:

Truth Tables for Logical Connectives
Direct Truth-Table for testing validity of arguments
Indirect Truth-Table for testing validity of arguments

Unit IV:

Formal Proof of Validity
Rules of Inference
Rules of Replacement

Books Recommended:

Basson and O' Connor:
Chakraborti, Chhanda:
Copi, I.M.
Hurley, Patrick.

Introduction to Symbolic Logic
Informal, Symbolic and Inductive,
Introduction to logic. 14th Edition,
Introduction to Logic,

Semester II
PHI-HG-2016
Indian Philosophy

Unit I

Development of Indian Philosophy, Meaning and scope of Indian Philosophy
Schools of Indian Philosophy
Common Characteristic of Indian Systems

Unit II

Buddhism: Four Noble Truths
Buddhism: Theory of Impermanence; No-soul theory
Jainism: Syādvāda, Anekāntavāda

Unit III

Sāṃkhya: Puruṣa; Prakṛti
Sāṃkhya: Evolution
Nyāya: Pramānas

Unit IV

Śaṅkara: Brahman
Śaṅkara: Avidyā & Adhyāsa
Rāmānuja: Brahman; Jiva and Prakṛti

Books Recommended:

Chatterjee, S.C.:	<i>Nyaya Theory of Knowledge</i>
Chatterjee, S.C. & Dutta, D.M.:	<i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy</i>
Dasgupta, S.N.:	<i>A History of Indian Philosophy</i>
Hiriyana, M.:	<i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i>
Radhakrishnan, S.:	<i>Indian Philosophy</i>
Sharma, C.D.:	<i>A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy</i>

Semester III
PHI-HC-3016
Western Philosophy (Descartes to Hegel)

Unit I: Rationalism

Descartes: Cartesian Method, mind-body dualism

Spinoza: God and Substance

Leibnitz: Theory of monads, pre-established harmony

Unit II: Empiricism

Locke: critique of innate ideas, substance and qualities

Berkeley: *esse est percipi*

Hume: Impression and ideas, concept of self

Unit III: Kant

Possibility of synthetic a priori judgement

Space and time

Categories

Unit IV: Hegel

Dialectic Method

Absolute Idealisms

Master-slaves dialectic

Books Recommended:

F. Thilly:	<i>A History of Philosophy</i>
Barlingay and Kulkarni:	<i>Critical History of Western Philosophy</i>
Y. Masih:	<i>A Critical History Of Modern Philosophy</i>
Anthony Kenny:	<i>A New History of Philosophy</i>
F. Copleston:	<i>History of Philosophy</i>
D.W. Hamlyn:	<i>A History of Western Philosophy</i> <i>Routledge History of Philosophy</i>

Semester III
PHI-HC-3026
Indian Philosophy II

Unit I

Sāṃkhya: Puruṣa; Prakṛti; Causation
Yoga: Cittavṛtti and its Nirodha; Aṣṭāṅgika Mārga

Unit II

Nyāya: Pramānas
Vaiśeṣika: Padārthas; Atomistic theory of Creation

Unit III

Mimāṃsā: Pramānas
Mimāṃsā: Pramānyavāda; Khyātivāda

Unit IV

Śaṅkara: Brahman; Atman; Adhyāsa and Avidyā
Rāmaṇuja; Brahman; Jiva and Jagat; Apṛthaksiddhi
Sankardeva's concept of God and Bhakti

Books Recommended:

Chatterjee, S.C.:	<i>Nyaya Theory of Knowledge</i>
Chatterjee, S.C & Dutta, D.M.:	<i>An Introduction to Indian Philosophy</i>
Dasgupta, S.N.:	<i>A History of Indian Philosophy</i>
Hiriyana, M.:	<i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i>
Radhakrishnan, S.:	<i>Indian Philosophy</i>
Sharma, C.D.:	<i>A Critical Survey Of Indian Philosophy</i>
Sinha, J.N.:	<i>Indian Philosophy, Volume I &II</i>

Semester III
PHI-HC-3036
Ethics

Unit I

Nature, Scope and Utility of study of Ethics
Object of Moral Judgement, Moral Obligation
Postulates of Morality

Unit II

Virtue Ethics: Aristotle
Deontological Ethics: Kant
Utilitarianism: Bentham, Mill

Unit III

Theories of Punishment
Professional Ethics
Environmental Ethics

Unit IV

Law of Karma, Varṇa and Aśrama Dharma, Puruṣārtha
Buddhist Pañcaśīla; Brahmavihāra
Jaina Triratna, Aṇuvrata and Mahāvratā

Books Recommended:

Dasgupta, S.N.:	<i>A History of Indian Philosophy</i>
Frankena, Williams.:	<i>Ethics, Prentice Hall of India</i>
Hiriyana, M.:	<i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i>
Hudson, W.D:	<i>Modern Moral Philosophy</i>
Lillie, William.:	<i>An Introduction to Ethics</i>
Mackenzie, J.N.:	<i>Manual of Ethics</i>
Moore, G.E.:	<i>Ethics</i>
Radhakrishnan, S.:	<i>Indian Philosophy</i>
Singer, Peter.:	<i>Applied Ethics</i>
Singer, Peter.:	<i>Practical Ethics</i>
Tiwari, Kedar Nath:	<i>Classical Indian Ethical Thought: A Philosophical Study of Hindu, Jaina and Buddhist Morals</i>

Semester III
PHI-HG-3016
Ethics

Unit I

Nature, Scope and Utility of study of Ethics
Moral Consciousness, Object of Moral Judgement, Moral Obligation
Postulates of Morality

Unit II

Virtue Ethics: Aristotle
Deontological Ethics: Kant
Utilitarianism: Bentham, Mill

Unit III

Theories of Punishment, Capital Punishment
Professional Ethics
Environmental Ethics

Unit IV

Law of Karma, Varna and Asrama Dharma, Purusarthas
Buddhist Pancasila; Brahmvihara; Bodhisattva Bhumis
Jaina Triratna, Anuvrata and Mahavrata

Books Recommended:

Chakravarty, D.K.	<i>Problems of Analytical Ethics</i>
Dasgupta, S.N.	<i>A History of Indian Philosophy</i>
Frankena, W.	<i>Ethics</i>
Hiriyana, M.	<i>Outlines of Indian Philosophy</i>
Hudson, W.D.	<i>Modern Moral Philosophy</i>
Lillie, William.	<i>An Introduction to Ethics</i>
Mackenzie, J.N.	<i>Manual of Ethics</i>
Moore, G.E.	<i>Ethics</i>
Radhakrishnan, S.	<i>Indian Philosophy</i>
Singer, Peter.	<i>Applied Ethics</i>
Singer, Peter.	<i>Practical Ethics</i>
Tiwari, Kedar Nath.	<i>Classical Indian Ethical Thought: A Philosophical Study of Hindu, Jaina and Buddhist Morals</i>

Semester IV
PHI-HC-4016
Contemporary Indian Philosophy

Unit I: Aurobindo

Evolution
Super mind
Synthesis of yoga

Unit II: Radhakrishnan

Religious experience
Intellect and intuition
Man and his destiny

Unit III: Gandhi

Religion, Truth, Non-violence
Satyagraha, Sarvodaya, Swadeshi
Critique of industrialisation, trusteeship

Unit IV: Vivekananda

Universal religion
Practical Vedanta
Philosophy of education

Books Recommended:

	<i>Complete works of Swami Vivekananda (relevant chapters)</i>
S. Radhakrishnan:	<i>An idealist view of Life</i>
S. K. Maitra :	<i>An introduction to Philosophy of Sri Aurobindo</i>
D. M. Datta :	<i>The Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi</i>
N. K. Bose :	<i>Selections from Gandhi</i>
Nilima Sharma :	<i>Twentieth Century Indian Philosophy</i>
D. M. Datta :	<i>Chief Currents of Contemporary Philosophy</i>

Semester IV
PHI-HC-4026
Philosophy of Religion

Unit I

Nature of Philosophy of religion and its distinction from theology
Religious experience
Religion and Science

Unit II:

Ontological argument
Cosmological argument; Teleological argument
Moral argument

Unit III

Reason, Faith and Revelation
Freedom of Will
Immortality of the soul

Unit IV

Religious language and symbolism
Anti religious theories- Materialism and logical positivism
Religious Philosophy of Sankaradeva

Books Recommended:

John Hick :	<i>Philosophy of Religion</i>
Miall Edwards :	<i>Philosophy of Religion</i>
B. Mitchell :	<i>Philosophy of Religion</i>
John Hick :	<i>Classical and contemporary readings in the philosophy of Religion</i>
Nilima Sharma :	<i>Philosophy of Sankaradeva: An appraisal</i>
Y. Masih:	<i>Introduction to Religious Philosophy</i>
Peterson and others (OUP):	<i>Reason and Religious Belief: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion</i>
Peterson and others:	<i>Philosophy of Religion. Selected Readings</i>
Maheswar Neog:	<i>Sankaradeva and His Times</i>

Semester IV
PHI-HC-4036
Political & Social Philosophy

Unit I

Rights and Duties
Justice
Equality & Liberty

Unit II

Anarchism
Socialism
Marxism

Unit III

Monarchy
Theocracy
Democracy

Unit IV

Humanism
Secularism
Multiculturalism

Books Recommended:

Benjamin, M. (ed):	<i>Science and Sensibility, Gender and Scientific Enquiry, 1780-1945</i>
Durkheim, E.:	<i>Sociology and Philosophy</i>
Joshi, N. V.:	<i>Social and Political Philosophy</i>
Mackenzie, J.S.:	<i>Outlines of Social Philosophy</i>
Raphael, D. D.:	<i>Problems of Political Philosophy</i>
Rout, B. C.:	<i>Political Theory and Ideology</i>
Roy & Bhattacharya.:	<i>Political Theory</i>
Sinhha, A. K.:	<i>Outlines of Social Philosophy</i>

Semester IV
PHI-HG-4016
Logic

UNIT I: Fundamental Concepts of logic

Propositions and Arguments
Truth and Validity
Deduction and Induction

UNIT II: Aristotelian Syllogistic Logic

Categorical Propositions, Translating Ordinary Proposition into Standard Form
Square of Opposition
Categorical Syllogism, Figures and Moods
Immediate Inference

UNIT III: Symbolic Logic: Introduction

Symbolic Logic and its Characteristics, Uses of Symbols
Relation between Traditional Logic and Symbolic Logic
Modern Classification of Propositions

UNIT IV: Propositional Logic

Logical Connectives: *and, or, not*; Material Conditional, Bi-conditional
Symbolization of everyday language
Truth-Table method of testing validity of argument, Shorter Truth Table

Books recommended:

Basson and O'Connor:	<i>Introduction to Symbolic Logic</i>
Chakraborti, Chhanda:	Logic: Informal, Symbolic and Inductive
Copi, I.M.	<i>Introduction to Logic</i> , 14 th Edition
Hurley, Patrick.	<i>Introduction to Logic</i>
Roy, B.N.	<i>Deductive Logic</i>
Suppes, P.	<i>Introduction to Logic</i>
Stebbing, L.S.	<i>A Modern Introduction to Logic</i>

Semester V
PHI-HC-5016
Analytic Philosophy

Unit I:

Moore: The Analytic Turn of Philosophy
Moore: Refutation of Idealism
Moore: Defence of Common Sense

Unit II:

Russell: Logical Atomism
Russell: General Propositions and Existence
Russell: Theory of Description

Unit III:

Wittgenstein: The World as a Totality of Facts
Wittgenstein: Picture Theory of Meaning
Vienna Circle: Verification Theory and Rejection of Metaphysics

Unit IV:

Wittgenstein: Meaning and Use
Wittgenstein: Language Game
Wittgenstein: Critique of Private Language

Books recommended:

Ammerman, R.R. (ed):	<i>Classics of Analytic Philosophy</i>
Gross, B.R.:	<i>Analytic Philosophy</i>
Moore, G.E.:	"Defence of Common Sense"
Moore, G.E.:	"Refutation of Idealism"
Russell, B.:	<i>Logical Atomism</i>
Wittgenstein:	<i>Tractatus Logico Philosophicus</i>
Wittgenstein:	<i>Philosophical Investigations</i>
Pitcher, G.:	<i>Philosophy of Wittgenstein</i>
Pradhan, R.C.:	<i>Recent Developments in Analytic Philosophy</i>

Semester V
PHI-HC-5026
Phenomenology and Existentialism

Unit I: Kierkegaard

The three stages of human existence
Subjectivity and Truth

Unit II: Sartre

Existence and Essence
Freedom and Choice

Unit III: Heidegger

Authentic existence
Being-in-the-world and Temporality

Unit IV: Husserl

Theory of essence
Intentionality and Bracketing

Books recommended:

H.J. Blackham:	<i>Six Existentialist Thinkers</i>
Margaret Chatterjee:	<i>Existentialist Outlook</i>
M.K. Bhadra:	<i>Existentialism and Phenomenology</i>
Mary Warnock:	<i>Existentialism</i>
John Macquirre:	<i>Existentialism</i>
J.P. Sartre :	<i>Existentialism and Humanism</i>
E. Husserl :	<i>Logical Investigations</i>
Kierkegaard :	<i>Concluding Unscientific Postscript</i>

Semester V
PHI-HE-5016
Philosophy of Upaniṣads

Unit I

Relation to Vedas
General Social Conditions
Outlines of Upaniṣadic Philosophy

Unit II

Diversity of Theories in Creation
Acosmic Theory of Creation
Cosmic Theory of Creation

Unit III

Brahman, the Absolute
Brahman, the World-Ground
Brahman as Cosmic and Acosmic Ideal

Unit IV Individual Destiny:

Individual Soul
Karma and Saṃsāra
Liberation

Books Recommended:

Dasgupta, S.N.:	<i>A History of Indian Philosophy (Volume I)</i>
Deussen, P.:	<i>The Philosophy of the Upanisads</i>
Hume, R.E.:	<i>Thirteen Principal Upanisads</i>
Mahadevan, T.M.P.:	<i>Upanisads</i>
Radhakrishnan, S.:	<i>The Principal Upanisads</i>
Radhakrishnan, S.:	<i>Indian Philosophy (Volume I)</i>
Ranade, R.D.:	<i>A Constructive Survey of Upanisadic Philosophy</i>

Semester V
PHI-HE-5026
Philosophy of Gita

Unit I:

Law of Karma
Concept of Karma, Akarma, Vikarma
Freedom and Choice

Unit II:

Kṣetra-Kṣetrajña, puruṣa-prakṛti
Uttama Puruṣa and Ultimate Reality
Relation of individual self and Ultimate Reality

Unit III:

Conception of Yoga
Karma Yoga, Jñāna Yoga, Bhakti Yoga
Reconciliation of the Yogas

Unit IV:

Svabhāva, Svakarma, Svadharma
Niṣkamakarmayoga; Lokasaṃgraha
Liberation

Books Recommended:

Aurobindo:	<i>The Bhagavad Gita</i>
Gandhi, M.K.:	<i>Gita</i>
Radhakrishnan, S.:	<i>The Bhagavad Gita</i>
Ranade, R.D.:	<i>Bhagavad Gita-A Philosophy of God Realization</i>
Tilak, B.G.:	<i>Gita Rahasya</i>

Semester V
PHI-HE-5036
***Ísa Upaniřad* with Saṅkara Bhāřya (Textual Study)**

Unit I:

Mantras 1-4

Unit II:

Mantras 5-9

Unit III:

Mantras 10-14

Unit IV:

Mantras 15-18

Books Recommended:

Ísa Upaniřad with Sankara's Commentary (Various Editions)

Semester VI
PHI-HC-6016
Philosophy of Mind

Unit I

Psychology and Philosophy of mind
Cartesian dualism
Problems of Cartesian dualism

Unit II

Parallelism
Occasionalism
Epiphenomenalism

Unit III

Behaviourism
Identity theory
Functionalism

Unit IV

Problem of Personal identity
Physical Criterion
Memory Criterion

Books Recommended:

J R Searle:	<i>Mind, A brief introduction</i>
J Heil:	<i>Philosophy of Mind</i>
Ryle, Gilbert:	<i>The Concept of Mind</i>
JJC, Smart:	"Sensation and Brain Process" in the <i>Nature of Mind</i> by D Rosenthal
J Vassey:	<i>Personal Identity</i>
B. Williams:	<i>Problem of Self</i>

**Semester VI
PHI-HC-6026
Meta Ethics**

Unit I:

Normative Ethics
Ethical Concepts and Evaluation- Good and Right
Meta Ethics

Unit II:

G. E. Moore: Indefinability of 'Good'
G. E. Moore: Naturalistic Fallacy
G. E. Moore: Autonomy of Morals

Unit III:

A. J. Ayer: Ethical Terms as Pseudo Concepts
C.L. Stevenson: Characteristics of Moral Discourse
C.L. Stevenson: Persuasive Definition

Unit IV:

R. M. Hare: Universal Prescriptivism
R. M. Hare: Nature of Moral Arguments
R. M. Hare: Weakness of the Will

Books Recommended:

Ayer, A.J.:	<i>Language, Truth and Logic</i>
Chakravary, D.K.:	<i>Problems of Analytic Ethics</i>
Hare, R.M.	<i>The Language of Morals</i>
Miller, Alex:	<i>An Introduction to Contemporary Metaethics</i>
Moore, G.E.:	<i>Principia Ethica</i>
Roojen, M.V.:	<i>Metaethics: A Contemporary Introduction</i>
Stevenson, C.L.	<i>Ethics and Language</i>
Warnock, G.J.:	<i>Contemporary Moral Philosophy</i>
Warnock, M.	<i>Ethics since 1900</i>

Semester VI
PHI-HE-6016
Western Philosophy (Textual Study)

Unit I:

Plato: *Republic* (books 2 and 4)

Unit II:

Hegel: The Preface to the *Phenomenology of Spirit*

Unit III:

Wittgenstein: *Philosophical Investigation* (part 1, section 65-91)

Unit IV:

Sartre: *Existentialism and Humanism*

Books Recommended:

Plato: *Republic*

Hegel: The Preface to the *Phenomenology of Spirit*

Wittgenstein: *Philosophical Investigation*

Sartre: *Existentialism and Humanism*

Semester VI
PHI-HE-6026
Philosophy of Language

Unit I

Language and World
Frege's Sense and Reference
Russell's Definite Description

Unit II

Ideational Theory of Meaning
Referential Theory of Meaning
Use Theory of Meaning

Unit III

Correspondence Theory of Truth
Coherence Theory of Truth
Pragmatic Theory of Truth

Unit IV

Performative and Constative Utterances
Locutionary, Illocutionary and Perlocutionary Acts
Theory of Illocutionary Forces

Books Recommended

Alston, William P.	<i>Philosophy of Language</i>
Austin, J. L.	<i>How to Do Things with Words</i>
Devitt M. & Richard Hanley (ed.)	<i>The Blackwell Guide to Philosophy of Language</i>
Frege, Gottlob	<i>On Sense and Reference</i>
Lycan G.	<i>Philosophy of Language: A Contemporary Introduction</i>
Russell, B.	<i>On Denoting</i>
Searle, J. R.	<i>Philosophy of Language</i>
Wittgenstein, L.	<i>Philosophical Investigations</i> (Relevant Sections)

Semester VI
PHI-HE-6036
Applied Ethics

Unit I:

Nature of Applied Ethics, its scope
Applied Ethics and Human Values

Unit II:

Use and exploitation of nature
Animal killing and animal rights

Unit III:

Computer crime
Ethics and Legal aspects of virtual worlds

Unit IV:

Rights and obligations of health care professionals, Patients and family,
Abortion, Euthanasia: Active and Passive

Books Recommended:

Hizza, Joseph M.:	<i>Computer Network Security and Cyber Ethics</i>
Holmes, R.L. :	<i>Introduction to Applied Ethics</i>
Holmes R. & Andrew L.:	<i>Environmental Ethics: An Anthology</i>
Lucas, G.:	<i>Ethics and Cyber Warfare</i>
Singer, P.:	<i>Applied Ethics</i>
Yogi, Manasvini M.:	<i>Euthanasia: Its Moral Implication</i>