

## Assignment – 4

### BPY 004 - Religions of the World

Note:

- i) Answer all five questions
- ii) All questions carry equal marks
- iii) Answer to question no. 1 and 2 should be in about **400 words** each.

1. What is the Hindu idea of *Moksha* and what are the different paths leading to it? 20

Or

Explain in detail the main metaphysical theories of religion namely, deism, pantheism and theism.

2. Explain in detail the eightfold path of Buddhism as a means of removing suffering. 20

Or

Explain 'kingdom of God' as the primary theme of Jesus' teachings and deeds.

3. Answer **any two** of the following questions in about **200 words** each:

- a. How does Auguste Comte explain the concept of religion? 10
- b. What were the ten laws that God gave to the Jewish people through Moses? 10
- c. Define religious experience. Explain its nature and importance. 10
- d. Explain the relationship between morality and religion. 10

4. Answer **any four** of the following in about **150 words** each:

- a) How does science and religion relate to each other? 5
- b) What are the Maha panca vrata of Jainism? 5
- c) What are the tribal concepts of creation, destruction and re-creation? 5
- d) How do you understand the plurality of Religions? 5
- e) What is the Confucian understanding of the nature of man? 5
- f) Explain the doctrine of *Anekanta Vada* 5
- g) Describe the Kalima (six articles of faith) of Islam. 5

5. Write short notes on **any five** of the following in about **100 words** each:

- a) Ahura mazda 4
- b) Concept of salvation in Sikhism 4
- c) New Testament 4
- d) Digambaras 4
- e) Humanism 4
- f) Theology 4
- g) *Ekam Sat, Vipra Bahuda Vedanti* 4
- h) *Religious language*