

DEAPRTMENT OF BUDDHIST STUDIES
B.A.(Prog.) with Buddhist Studies as Major-2

CATEGORY IV

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE- 4 (DSC- 4 – B4)
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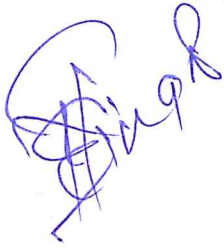
Course Title & Code	Total Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria/ Prerequisite	Pre-requisite of The course, if any
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical		
COURSE NAME 'BUDDHIST SCHOOLS OF THOUGHTS' (DSC-4 B4)	4	3	1	0	Class XII Passed	Nil

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OBEJCTIVE- The primary objective of this course is to:

- (a) Make students aware of the schools of thoughts of Buddhist tradition through various ages and regions.
- (b) Delve into the thoughts of the Buddha been focused shifted through time, language and society.

Learning Outcome: - Upon the completion of this course, students would-

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- (a) Able to analyze the continuity and change in understanding the teaching of the Buddha and the role of development of society, language and geographical diversities and emergence of so-called sects like Theravāda and Mahāyāna and so on through different ages and regions.
 - (b) Able to recognize unity in diversity of the philosophical differences among the Buddhist school of thoughts.

SEMESTER IV

COURSE NAME 'BUDDHIST SCHOOLS OF THOUGHTS' (DSC- 4 B4)

UNIT I

Origin and Development of the Sangha

12 Hours

- Formation of the Sangha
- Hierarchy and reverence to the Buddha
- Devadatta's Five Demands (Pañcavatthūni Dhammā) and signs of division.

UNIT II

The Second Council and the Mahāsāṅghikas

09 Hours

- Dasavatthūni Dhammā
- Proceedings the council and emergence of the Mahāsāṅghikas

UNIT III

Major Philosophical Schools of Theravāda Buddhism

12 Hours

- Acharyas of Vaibhāṣika and Sautrāntika
- Theory of 'existence of everything' (Sarvāstivāda)
- Key concepts of Theravāda Buddhism: Anattavāda, Arahata, Nibbāna

UNIT IV

Major Schools of Mahāyāna Buddhism

12 Hours

- Acharyas of Mādhyamika and Yogācāra
- Key concepts of Mahāyāna: Bodhisattva, Nirvāṇa, Śūnyavāda

Essential Readings:

- Gethin, R.M.L. 2001. *The Buddhist Path to Awakening*. Oxford: One world Publications.
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- Narada, Ven. 1998. *The Buddha and His Teachings*. Taipei: Buddha Educational Foundation.
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Suggested Readings:

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- McGovern, M.W. 1922. *An Introduction to Mahāyāna Buddhism*. London: Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner & Co.
- Sangharakshita. 2006. *A Survey of Buddhism*. Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass.
- Shukla, H. S. (Ed.). 2001. *Aspects of Buddhism*. Varanasi: Banaras Hindu University.
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