

P-VII Philosophy of Bhagavad-Gita

Sem-V

No. of Lectures:60

Objectives:

To achieve an understanding of the overall structure, purpose and content of Bhagavad-Gita.

To Explore and interpret philosophical ideas of Gita through reading of the text.

To relate Gita's social, political and ethical ideas within a contemporary context.

Unit-I Introduction:

Gita as a Prasthanam Trayi; Relation between Upnishad and Gita

Vishad Yoga and Shri Krishna's Reply

Samkhya Buddhi and Yoga Buddhi

Unit –II Nature of God:

God as Transcendent

God as Immanent

Concept of Avatar

Unit-III Concept of Duty in Gita:

Karma, Akarma, Vikarma

Nishkama Karma Yoga

Swadharma, Varnashramadharma

Unit-IV God and the World:

Cosmic Evolution

AshwathaVriksha (As a Metaphor)

Kshetra-Kshetrajna (Purusha-Prakriti)

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Unit-I Path of Liberation:

Jnana Yoga

Bhakti Yoga (Sharanagati)

Sthitaprajnya, Gunatita Bhakta (Characteristics), Prapatti (Sharanagati)

Unit-II Modern commentaries on Gita:

B.G. Tilak (activism,Karma yoga as the Rahasya of Gita)

M.K.Gandhi (Anasakti yoga and Ahimsa)

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar (Arguments against the Varna system)

Unit-III Relevance of Gita:

Gita and Mind control (Meditation, Mindfulness)

Lokasamgraha, Lokahita, Corporate Social Responsibility

Gita and Everyday living (Practical policy)

Unit-IV Values highlighted in the Gita:

Daivi Asuri Sampat

Faith as a positive force

Peace, Harmony and Equality (Jnyaneswari- Pasaydana)

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