

Nyaya & Vaisheshika

Rare shastric texts adopted and their relevance:

- The department of Nyaya & Vaisheshika have embraced rare Nyaya texts as part of their curriculum which have relevance to national/local academics. Following are the texts adopted by the Department:

1. NYAYAKUSUMANJALI : The text is a classic work on the logical enquiry into the existence of god by udayanacharya. In this philosophical treatise the author deals in providing the proofs for the existence of God. The text consists of five chapters and in the fifth chapter the ishvara is proved through Anumana (inference) pramana. This rare text is instilled with lot of research materials.

Outcome:

- In each chapter different schools of philosophies like bauddha, mimamsa, charvaka and their viewpoints are exceptionally presented.
- This text helps the student to gain thorough knowledge of different darshanas.
- By gaining the knowledge a reader could critically analyze the key points of the respective schools.

Relevance of the text naturally/Internationally

- The Nyayakusumanjali text is one of the treasures present in the
- Nyaya philosophy.
- The way the author put forths his arguments, is really commendable.
- The text has inspired many western philosophers also to understand the nuances present in the Nyaya philosophy.
- The text has aspired many people to do research on the existence of god.
- The intention of udayana is not only to prove that god comes legitimately within the scope of syllogistic reasoning but also to acknowledge that god is realized in direct experience.

2. Navyanyaya paribhasaya prameya Nirupanapranali: For the better understanding of any subject one should be well versed in the basics of that subject. Keeping this in view the Department of nyaya have added this text as part of their curriculum. This text is preliminary text and one of its kind where the author prof. shrinivasa varkhedi ji has given pictorial representations of the exclusive terminologies present in Nyaya shastra.

Outcome:

- The author has given a complete list of terminologies present in navya nyaya.
- Once a student gets command over these terminologies, it will be lot easier for him/her to study higher texts.
- Highlight of this text is that author has given flow-chart representation for these terminologies.

Relevance of the text /locally/naturally/Internationally

- The examples presented in the text can be applied as part of computational linguistics curriculum also.
- The author hails from a very distinguished family , who have a rich legacy for contributing in the samskrit arena.
- The text is a proud contribution of Karnataka to the world of philosophy in the modern era.

In addition to this many other texts like Nyayabhasya, vaisheshikasutra upaskara, vyutpattivada , prashastapada bhasya , pakshata, hetvabhasasamanyanirukti are also part of the curriculum.