ARRUPE COLLEGE

Jesuit School of Philosophy and Humanities

# BA Honours in Philosophy

**INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY APH 113**

**DECEMBER 2015**

### TWO (2) HOURS

**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.**

**Logic**

1. A. What is a proposition? Give an example

1.B. What is a sound argument? Give an example

**Identify the following fallacies**

2. A. “The man was from Senegal, a clear indication that whatever he said was stupid.”

2. B. “The DSTV is the best multi-channel network in Africa. That is why everyone watches it.”

**Plato’s Dialogue - Euthyphro**

3. Socrates was charged with impiety. Euthyphro wanted to charge his father with impiety because he wanted to indict his father for murdering an accused man. Explain the Euthyphro dilemma.

**Aristotle’s Ethics**.

4.A. Can a man or woman be friends with himself/herself? Briefly discuss.

**Paulo Friere and Aristotle**

5. With the help of Paulo Friere’s *Education for Critical Consciousness* and Aristotle’s, *“Friendship”* critically evaluate the experiences of Mr. Deng.

**“**Valentino Achak Deng was once a ‘Lost Boy’, a small, frightened child who walked for months across what is now South Sudan to flee a brutal war, narrowly escaping becoming another casualty of the conflict. He lived in refugee camps in Ethiopia and Kenya, getting the education he had missed on his terrifying journey, before he was eventually relocated to the US. Now, in a twist so unlikely it might have been rejected by a writer of fiction, Mr Deng has become the minister for education in Northern Bahr el-Ghazal, one of the 10 states in South Sudan which gained its independence from Sudan on 9 July 2011.”Mr. Deng says, “*The lesson I can draw is that people can always learn, come through tough times and persevere and grow.*” (BBC.COM, 9, July, 2015**)**

**Philosophical Terms**

6. Explain the following philosophical terms with examples.

1. Transcendence and *polis*.
2. *Eudemonia* and utilitarianism
3. *Ad infinitum* and infinite regress
4. *A priori* and  *a posteriori*
5. Teleology and deontology

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**