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Prelims Exam Question

Q. Philosophical schools like Madhyamika and Yogachara are related to which of the following?

a. Tantrism

b. Vedanta

c. Jainism

d. Buddhism

Ans. (d)

Explanation- Madhyamika and Yogachara are related to the Mahayana Buddhism. Madhyamika: Nagarjuna founded this school and Madhyamikakarika was his famous creation. According to this philosophical school, there is a reason behind genesis of a object. Therefore, it is void. Nagarjuna also considered Pratyasamutpada as zero.

Vigyanvada (Yogachara): This school was established by Maitreyanatha in the third century AD. Further his disciple Asanga gave it more clarity. Later Vasubandhu, Dinnag and Dharmakirti joined this school. This school accepts the sole authority of conscience. According to this school, special emphasis has been given on yoga practice and good conduct. Sutralankar written by Asanga is the oldest text related to this school. Its most important text is Lankavatara sutra.

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