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Backlog Arrear Examination, March 2021

Elements of Philosophy and Science

RPS 1234

Time: 2 hrs Total Marks: 60

Answer any FOUR of the following questions in about five pages each. (4x15=60)

- 1. State the problem of induction and the various responses to solve this problem
- 2. Illustrate Hume's conception of causal laws as accidental generalization.
- 3. Distinguish inductive and deductive reasoning with suitable example
- 4. Discuss the paradox of the ravens and What is its implications on scientific confirmation
- 5. Analyse Hempel's covering law model of scientific explanation
- 6. Examine Popper's falsifiability as a criterion of empirical method