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ISLAMIC STUDIES

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Paper 2 Development, Sources, Beliefs and Observances

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1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **three** questions in total, **one** from each section.
Answer all parts of the questions you have chosen.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

This document has **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer **three** questions.

Choose **one** question from each section.

You must answer **all** parts of the questions you have chosen.

Section A: The Caliphate period/The Four Pious Caliphs

- 1 (a) Give **four** regions held by the Caliphate at the start of ‘Uthman’s reign. [4]
- (b) Describe the achievements of ‘Uthman as Caliph. [10]
- (c) To what extent can Muslims today find guidance from the examples of the Four Pious Caliphs? Give reasons to support your answer. [6]

[Total: 20]

- 2 (a) Describe Abu Bakr’s speech on becoming Caliph. [4]
- (b) Explain Caliph Abu Bakr’s approach to leading the community. [10]
- (c) Discuss what Muslim communities today can learn from Abu Bakr’s leadership. [6]

[Total: 20]

Section B: The history and importance of the Qur’an and Hadith

- 3 (a) Give **four** reasons why the text (*matn*) of a Hadith may be considered unreliable. [4]
- (b) Explain how information about the narrators of a Hadith can be used to classify its reliability. [10]
- (c) Discuss **two** ways in which the Hadith are significant for Muslims today. [6]

[Total: 20]

- 4 (a) Give **four** characteristics of Isa (AS). [4]
- (b) Describe the miracles of Isa (AS). [10]
- (c) Discuss what Muslims today can learn from the support God provided to Isa (AS). [6]

[Total: 20]

Section C: Beliefs, practices and rituals

5 (a) Explain Muslim beliefs about the Day of Judgement. [12]

(b) Discuss the significance of beliefs about the Day of Judgement in the lives of Muslims today. [8]

[Total: 20]

6 (a) Explain **three** features of the observance of Ramadan by Muslims. [12]

(b) Discuss the significance of fasting for Muslim communities today. [8]

[Total: 20]

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