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HINDUISM

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Paper 3 Hinduism: Philosophy and Religion

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1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
 - Section A: answer **one** question.
 - Section B: answer **one** question.
- 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 [].

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Section A

Answer **EITHER** Question 1 **OR** Question 2.

EITHER

- 1 (a) Explain how the idea of three levels of reality supports the Advaita view that everything is Brahman. [12]
- (b) 'Liberation cannot be achieved without an understanding of maya.' Discuss. [18]
- [Total: 30]

OR

- 2 (a) Explain how a Hindu might reach moksha according to Dvaita Vedanta. [12]
- (b) 'Ishvara is equally important in all the Vedanta philosophies.' Discuss. [18]
- [Total: 30]

Section B

Answer **EITHER** Question 3 **OR** Question 4.

EITHER

- 3 Evaluate the claim that all religions are viewed as equally true in Hinduism. [30]

OR

- 4 'Vegetarianism is a universal Hindu value.'
Discuss with reference to the teachings of M K Gandhi. [30]

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