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**HINDUISM**

**9487/03**

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)

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**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****EITHER**

1 (a) Explain the means of achieving kaivalya according to Samkhya philosophy. [12]  
(b) Assess the claim that Samkhya is not a theistic philosophy. [18]

**OR**

2 (a) Describe Dvaita Vedanta teachings about the dualistic nature of the universe. [12]  
(b) 'The concept of Brahman is the same in Vishistadvaita Vedanta as it is in Dvaita Vedanta.' Discuss. [18]

**Section B****EITHER**

3 Evaluate the claim that M K Gandhi's ethics were not based on Hindu teachings. [30]

**OR**

4 Evaluate the significance of Shankara's philosophy for contemporary Hinduism. [30]



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