

ISLAMIC STUDIES

9013/22

Paper 2

October/November 2015

3 hours

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

DO NOT WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer **five** questions.

Answer at least **one** question from **each** Section.

You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

This document consists of **3** printed pages and **1** blank page.

You must answer **five** questions in all, **one** question from each section and **one** other question.

Section A

- 1 In what major respects was the rule of Mu'awiyah important in the history of the early Islamic state? [20]
- 2 What were the main internal factors in the rule of the later Umayyad caliphs that led to the downfall of their dynasty? [20]
- 3 Explain why the 'Abbasids moved the capital of the Islamic empire eastwards from Damascus to the new city of Baghdad. [20]

Section B

- 4 Explain the main differences between the legal teachings of al-Shafi'i and the founders of the three other major Sunni legal schools. [20]
- 5 Why did the early Hadith collectors regard it as important to check the authenticity of the Hadiths ascribed to the Prophet (pbuh)? [20]
- 6 All Islamic teachings are based on the principle of *tawhid*. What, then, is particularly significant in the Mu'tazilah calling themselves 'the People of divine Unity' (*Ahl al-tawhid*)? [20]

Section C

- 7 Who were the Shi'i Imams, and why do they have spiritual significance? [20]
- 8 Explain why Sufis have often met with criticisms and opposition from the wider Muslim community. [20]
- 9 'Al-Ghazali's *Ihya' 'ulum al-din* is the greatest spiritual work of Islam.' Give reasons to accept or reject this claim. [20]

Section D

- 10** Explain how Hasan al-Banna's teachings were important in early twentieth century Egypt, and how Abu I-'Ala Mawdudi's teachings were important in later twentieth century Pakistan. [20]
- 11** Explain how Muslims living in multi-faith societies can put into practice the teachings of the Qur'an. [20]
- 12** 'The teachings of the Qur'an about women preserving their modesty do not prevent women from playing a full part in public life.' Give reasons to accept or reject this claim. [20]

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