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Paper 1 Islamic Beliefs and Practices

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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:
Answer Question 1.
Answer **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.
- 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 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Answer Question 1 and **EITHER** Question 2 **OR** Question 3.

- 1 Read the following text passages, then answer the questions which follow.

Qur'an 13.3

And it is He who spread out the earth, and set thereon mountains standing firm and (flowing) rivers: and fruit of every kind He made in pairs, two and two: He draweth the night as a veil o'er the Day. Behold, verily in these things there are signs for those who consider!

Hadith 73 Piety

Abu Umamah (May Allah be pleased with him) said:

I heard Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) during the sermon of the Farewell Pilgrimage saying, "Be mindful of your duty to Allah; perform your five daily Salat, observe Saum during the month (of Ramadan), pay the Zakat on your properties and obey your leaders; (if you do so) you will enter the Jannah of your Rubb".

- (a) Describe the main teachings of Qur'an 13.3. [5]
- (b) Explain how the Prophet (pbuh) showed Muslims how to be mindful of their duties towards God. You must refer to Hadith 73 and any other Hadith you have studied in your answer. [10]
- (c) To what extent can observing signs guide Muslims? Discuss with reference to different points of view. [10]

[Total: 25]

EITHER

- 2 (a) Explain the conditions for paying almsgiving (*zakat*). [10]
- (b) To what extent should Muslims spend their money as they want? [15]
- [Total: 25]

OR

- 3 (a) Explain the Muslim belief in the Day of Judgement and the afterlife ('*akhirah*'). [10]
- (b) 'The reason Muslims do good deeds is to go to paradise (*Jannah*).' Discuss with reference to different points of view. [15]
- [Total: 25]

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