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Paper 2 Islamic Law (*Shariah*) and its Application

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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 50.
- 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) State **five** conditions for business transactions in Islam. [5]
- (b) Explain how trade in Islam is based upon principles from the Qur'an. [10]
- (c) 'Muslim traders should keep faith and business separate.' Do you agree? Discuss this statement with reference to different points of view. [10]

[Total: 25]

OR

- 2 (a) Give **five** habits of the companions (*sahaba*). [5]
- (b) Explain how local cultural practices (*'urf*) might be used in Islamic law (*shariah*). [10]
- (c) Discuss the importance of the companions (*sahaba*) for Islamic law (*shariah*). [10]

[Total: 25]

Section B

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

EITHER

- 3 (a) Explain opinions regarding the birthday of the Prophet (pbuh). [10]
- (b) Discuss similarities between Shi'i and Sunni perspectives about the family of the Prophet (pbuh). [15]

[Total: 25]

OR

- 4 (a) Describe practices of mystical Sufism with examples from Sufi orders (*tariqa*). [10]
- (b) Compare the practices of remembrance (*dhikr*) with daily prayer services. [15]

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