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Paper 2 Islamic Law (*Shariah*) and its Application **May/June 2023**

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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)** Give **five** family members who can inherit in Islam. [5]

(b) Explain questions of inheritance according to **one** school of thought in Islam. [10]

(c) 'Matters of inheritance should apply equally to men and women.' To what extent may this be applied in Islam? Refer to **one** school of thought in your answer. [10]

[Total: 25]

OR

2 **(a)** Give **five** schools of thought or approaches in Islam. [5]

(b) Explain how shariah rulings are made according to **one** school of thought. [10]

(c) 'There are no significant differences between the methods used by different schools of thought.' Do you agree? Discuss this statement with reference to **two** schools of thought. [10]

[Total: 25]

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Section B

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

EITHER

3 **(a)** Explain the teachings of al-Ashʿari about the oneness of God (*tawhid*) and the afterlife (ʾ*akhirah*). [10]

(b) Evaluate the extent to which teachings of the Muʾtazilah about the oneness of God (*tawhid*) and the afterlife (ʾ*akhirah*) are different from al-Ashʿari. [15]

[Total: 25]

OR

4 **(a)** Explain why the birthday of the Prophet (pbuh) might be celebrated according to some Muslims. [10]

(b) Compare the views of those who do not celebrate the birthday of Muhammad (pbuh) with those who celebrate it. [15]

[Total: 25]

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