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Paper 2 Islamic Law (*Shariah*) and its Application **May/June 2024**

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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)** Outline the requirements for places where Muslims may pray. [5]

(b) Explain the importance of satisfying the conditions for worship in Islam. [10]

(c) Compare the significance of **two** actions which Muslims may do before starting the five daily prayers. [10]

[Total: 25]

OR

2 **(a)** Give **five** habits of the people of Medina from the time of the Prophet (pbuh). [5]

(b) Explain the significance of the people of Medina for the formation of Islamic law (*shariah*). [10]

(c) Discuss how far the habits of the people of Medina are relevant for Muslims in their everyday lives today. [10]

[Total: 25]

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Section B

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

EITHER

3 **(a)** Explain how al-Hallaj used mystical poetry in his relationship with God. [10]

(b) Discuss the benefits and risks of writing mystical poetry about God for Muslims. [15]

[Total: 25]

OR

4 **(a)** Explain the distinctive positions of modern Salafis. [10]

(b) To what extent are modern Salafi positions a continuation of traditional Sunni teachings? [15]

[Total: 25]

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