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**ISLAMIC STUDIES** **9488/22**

Paper 2 Islamic Law (*Shariah*) and its Application **October/November 2023**

**1 hour 30 minutes**

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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** examples of interest (*riba*). [5]

**(b)** Describe teachings about debt and interest according to **one** school of Islamic jurisprudence (*fiqh*). [10]

**(c)** Discuss what advice should be given to Muslims regarding mortgages in different circumstances. [10]

[Total: 25]

**OR**

**2** **(a)** Give **five** actions which Muslims perform according to the Sunnah. [5]

**(b)** Explain how strong Hadith (*sahih*) might be used with other sources according to **one** school of jurisprudence (*fiqh*). [10]

**(c)** To what extent do the benefits of using weak (*daʿif*) Hadith outweigh the problems? [10]

[Total: 25]

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## Section B

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

**EITHER**

**3** **(a)** Explain why Muslims believe the Qurʾan originated with God. [10]

**(b)** 'Different literal and metaphorical perspectives do not challenge the authority of the Qurʾan.' Do you agree? You should refer to different points of view in your answer. [15]

[Total: 25]

**OR**

**4** **(a)** Explain how individuals may interpret teachings (*ijtihad*) according to **one** school of thought in Islam. [10]

**(b)** 'Individual interpretation of teachings (*ijtihad*) is still valid today.' Evaluate this statement with reference to **two** schools of thought in Islam. [15]

[Total: 25]

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