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AS GCE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

G576/01/I Buddhism

QUESTION PAPER INSERT

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



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- This Insert is for your reference only.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **TWO** questions.

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Answer **two** questions.

- 1 (a) Explain the relationship between kamma and samsara. [25]
(b) 'Belief in kamma forces people to behave well.' Discuss. [10]
- 2 (a) Explain the concept of the Four Noble Truths. [25]
(b) Assess the view that the third noble truth is the most important of the noble truths. [10]
- 3 (a) Explain how the monastic sangha developed in early Buddhism. [25]
(b) To what extent can it be argued that the monastic lifestyle is the ideal lifestyle for a Buddhist? [10]
- 4 (a) Explain the arhat path in Theravada Buddhism. [25]
(b) 'Buddhists should aim to be bodhisattvas not arhats.' Discuss. [10]

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