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AS GCE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

G577/01 Hinduism

QUESTION PAPER

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

OCR supplied materials:

- 12 page Answer Booklet (OCR12)
(sent with general stationery)

Other materials required:

None

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Complete the boxes on the Answer Booklet with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Use black ink.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **TWO** questions.
- Write the number of each question in the margin.
- Do not write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **70**.
- This document consists of **2** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

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Answer **two** questions.

- 1 (a) Explain the importance of ritual within the Vedas. [25]
(b) 'The Vedas' only importance is showing how to perform rituals correctly.' Discuss. [10]
- 2 (a) Explain the origins of the varnashramadharma system. [25]
(b) 'The Purusha Sukta indicates that the varnashramadharma system has divine rather than social origins.' Discuss. [10]
- 3 (a) Explain the concept of Brahman. [25]
(b) To what extent can it be argued that there is no meaningful relationship between atman and Brahman? [10]
- 4 (a) Explain the importance of Siva within Hinduism. [25]
(b) 'Siva is worshipped out of fear not love.' Discuss. [10]

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