



GCE A level

1404/02

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS – GP4b
Challenges in Contemporary Politics

A.M. MONDAY, 10 June 2013

1½ hours

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will need a 12 page answer book.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer any **TWO** questions.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The maximum mark for this paper is 80.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

The time you spend on a question should be in proportion to the marks available.

You are reminded that assessment will take into account the quality of written communication used in answers that involve extended writing (part *(b)* questions).

Answer two questions.

Each question is worth 40 marks.

Choose TWO of the questions that follow, and answer both parts, (a) and (b), for both the questions that you choose.

1. Globalisation

- (a) Explain how the political influence of multinational and transnational corporations can be defended. [10]
- (b) ‘Small states have no role in a globalised world.’ Discuss. [30]

2. Environmentalism

- (a) Explain how environmentalism opposes anthropocentrism. [10]
- (b) Critically assess the argument that environmentalism is more successful when operating outside conventional party politics. [30]

3. Feminism

- (a) Explain why the concept of patriarchy is important in feminism. [10]
- (b) ‘It is now impossible to distinguish any common ideas and thinking between the different types of feminism.’ Discuss. [30]

4. Multiculturalism

- (a) Explain why positive discrimination is important within multiculturalism. [10]
- (b) ‘The promotion of language and culture has been more successful than other methods of promoting multiculturalism.’ Discuss. [30]