

HINDUISM

Paper 2

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No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Answer five questions.

Answer at least **one** question from **each** section.

Read the questions carefully. Try to understand exactly what is being asked of you.

You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

All questions in this paper carry 20 marks.

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Answer any **five** questions. Choose at least **one** from each section.

Section A

- 1 To what extent does Samkhya teach that Prakriti is the first cause of the universe?
- 2 'The eight limbs of yoga indicate a pathway that leads to the attainment of physical, ethical, emotional, and spiritual health.'

Discuss.

- **3** Assess the claim that Advaita Vedanta is the most direct path to realising the atman.
- 4 To what extent do Sankara and Ramanuja teach the same thing?

Section **B**

- 5 To what extent is the idea of Moksha in Jainism similar to the idea of Moksha in Hinduism?
- 6 'The Noble Eightfold Path is the most important of the Theravada Buddha's teachings.' Discuss.
- 7 'There is no essential difference between orthodox Hinduism and the teaching of the Buddha.' Discuss.

Section C

- 8 How far is it possible to reconcile the different aspects of Shiva's nature?
- 9 'On the level of the body I am Rama's servant, and on the level of mind I am the friend of Rama, but in truth I am the Rama.'

Discuss to what extent this indicates the special nature of Hanuman.

10 'There is but one God hidden in the heart of all beings.'

How does this verse from the Upanishads demonstrate the relation between the One and the many?

Section D

11 'There is no distinction of varnas. This whole universe is Brahman.'

Discuss the significance of this view using your knowledge of varnas.

- 12 To what extent do the ashramas promote social harmony today?
- 13 'One who does evil will be born as evil.'

To what extent does this agree with the Hindu teaching about the law of karma?

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