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AS GCE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

G577/01/I Hinduism

QUESTION PAPER INSERT

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 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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- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
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Answer **two** questions.

- 1 (a) Explain the importance of the ashramas in the varnashramadharma system. [25]
(b) 'Ashrama is less important than varna in the varnashramadharma system.' Discuss. [10]
- 2 (a) Explain how and why Hindus might worship one of the Trimurti. [25]
(b) To what extent can it be argued that Brahma is the most important member of the Trimurti? [10]
- 3 (a) Explain how the Vedas show the importance of the deities. [25]
(b) 'Only deities mentioned in the Vedas are truly worthy of worship.' Discuss. [10]
- 4 (a) Explain the similarities and differences between Brahman and atman. [25]
(b) 'Brahman has nothing in common with atman.' Discuss. [10]

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