

SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY HIGHER LEVEL PAPER 3

Thursday 23 May 2002 (morning)

1 hour

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not turn over this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer one question.

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Answer **one** question. Answers must refer to fundamental theoretical issues and their application to specific and clearly identified ethnographic illustrations.

- 1. Why are modern-day anthropologists particularly concerned with the relationships between local structures or processes on the one hand and, on the other hand, larger structures or processes (*e.g.*, state institutions, consumer culture, transnationalism)?
- 2. Proponents of some theoretical approaches view social cohesion as essential to the proper functioning of society while proponents of other theories view conflict as fundamental and necessary; discuss **two** theoretical approaches that represent examples of each.
- 3. Choose **two** theoretical schools in social and cultural anthropology from **two** different times in the history of the discipline and identify the intellectual links between them.
- **4.** Early twentieth-century anthropologists treated society as a clearly bounded group whose members all shared the same understanding of their culture. Why did subsequent anthropologists find this approach to society problematic?
- 5. Choose **one** aspect of human existence (*e.g.*, kinship, exchange, religion) and clearly contrast the ways in which **two** distinct theoretical approaches have analysed it.