ISLAMIC STUDIES

EXAMINATION SCHEME

There will be two papers, Papers 1 and 2, both of which will be put into a composite paper to be taken at one sitting.

PAPER 1: Will comprise fifty multiple choice questions all of which should be answered within 50 minutes for 50 marks.

PAPER 2: Will consist of six essay questions one of which will be compulsory. Candidates will be required to answer the compulsory question and any three of the optional ones in 2 hours for 100 marks.

SAMPLE QUESTIONS

PAPER 1
(OBJECTIVE)

1. The selection of a leader in the Jahiliyyah was based on
   A. power.
   B. age.
   C. wisdom.
   D. wealth.

2. The conquest of Makkah was as a result of the
   A. eagerness of Muslims to return to Makkah.
   B. violation of the Treaty of Hudaybiyyah.
   C. detention of the Prophet’s messengers.
   D. invitation of the Prophet by Makkans.

3. The division of the Qur’an into Manzil is to facilitate its
   A. recitation.
   B. preservation.
   C. interpretation.
   D. Standardization.
4. Suratul-Kafirun (Q.109) centres on
   A. accumulation of wealth.
   B. unity of oneness of Allah.
   C. biography of the Prophet.
   D. religious tolerance.

5. The least authentic among the following is
   A. Sahih.
   B. Hasan.
   C. Da ‘if.
   D. Mawdu‘.

6. According to Hadith 34 of an-Nawawi, evil in society can be corrected by the
   A. hand, tongue and heart.
   B. sword, bow and arrow.
   C. Mallam, Sultan and Shaykh.
   D. teacher, politician and preacher.

7. The significance of Sadaqah is to
   A. recognize the rich.
   B. alleviate poverty.
   C. accumulate wealth.
   D. enrich the leader.

8. Disobedience of a Muslim wife can be checked by
   A. taking her to court.
   B. reporting her to her friends.
   C. abandoning her in bed.
   D. returning her to her parents.
1. Describe the religious conditions of the Arabs in the Jahiliyyah period.

2. Explain the causes and effects of the treaty of Hudaybiyyah.

3. Highlight six ways in which Islam has impacted on the people of West Africa.

4. Tanazzalulmalai'atu war-Ruhfiha....
   (a) Identify the Surah in which the above ayah occurs.
   (b) Complete the verse.
   (c) Explain the lessons contained in the Surah.

5. Discuss the three stages in which gambling were prohibited.

6. Examine the three categories into which Hadith has been classified.

7. Write Hadith 4 of an-Nawawi in either Arabic or in transliteration. Translate into English and comment on its teachings.

8. Explain the conditions necessary for a valid marriage in Islam.

9. Discuss the Qur’an as a major source of Shari‘ah.