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AS GCE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

G576/01 Buddhism

QUESTION PAPER

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

OCR supplied materials:

- 12 page Answer Booklet
(sent with general stationery)

Other materials required:

None

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Complete the boxes on the Answer Booklet with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Use black ink.
- Write the number of each question answered in the margin.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **TWO** questions.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **70**.
- This document consists of **2** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

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Answer **two** questions.

- 1 (a) Explain why a Buddhist might chose the lifestyle of a bhikkhu. [25]
(b) 'Bhikkhus and bhikkhunis are the most important part of the sangha.' Discuss. [10]
- 2 (a) Explain the concept of dukkha. [25]
(b) To what extent is anicca the most significant of the three marks of existence? [10]
- 3 (a) Explain the difference between karmic formations and karmic consequences. [25]
(b) 'If there is no soul then kamma cannot affect rebirth.' Discuss. [10]
- 4 (a) Explain the key aspects of the arhat and bodhisattva paths. [25]
(b) To what extent is the arhat path more selfish than the bodhisattva path? [10]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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