

Cambridge International AS & A Level

HINDUISM 9487/01

Paper 1 Concepts in Hinduism

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer two questions in total:

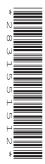
Section A: answer one question.

Section B: answer one question.

• Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].



Section A

Answer EITHER Question 1 OR Question 2.

EITHER

1	(a)	Outline the main features of Sadharana Dharma.	[၁]
	(b)	Explain the relationship between karma and dharma.	[10]
	(c)	'It is impossible to live a dharmic life in the Kali Yuga.' Discuss.	[15]
			[Total: 30]
OR			
2	(a)	Outline the system of ashrama.	[5]
	(b)	Explain how varna differs from jati.	[10]
	(c)	'Dharma gives clear demands to Hindus in all situations.' Discuss.	[15]
			[Total: 30]

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Section B

Answer EITHER Question 3 OR Question 4.

EITHER

3	(a)	Describe what is meant by the term 'bhakti marga'.	[5]
	(b)	Explain why people become trapped in samsara.	[10]
	(c)	Assess the claim that maya is the greatest obstacle to liberation.	[15]
			[Total: 30]
OR			
4	(a)	Describe what is meant by 'agami karma'.	[5]
	(b)	Explain why rebirth as a human is important for achieving liberation.	[10]
	(c)	'Nishkama karma is the best way to achieve moksha.' Discuss.	[15]
			[Total: 30]

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