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### AS GCE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

G576/01 Buddhism

**QUESTION PAPER**

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

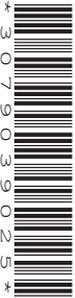
**OCR supplied materials:**

- 12 page Answer Booklet (OCR12)  
(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.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **TWO** questions.
- Write the number of each question in the margin.
- 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 the differences and similarities between anicca and anatta. [25]  
(b) 'The Buddhist concept of anatta does not make sense.' Discuss. [10]
- 2 (a) Explain the importance of the five khandas in Buddhist thought. [25]  
(b) To what extent can it be argued that the five khandas are the most important concept in Buddhist thought? [10]
- 3 (a) Explain the bodhisattva path in Mahayana Buddhism. [25]  
(b) 'Everybody should aim to become a bodhisattva.' Discuss. [10]
- 4 (a) Explain the importance of the four signs in the traditional accounts of the life of the Buddha. [25]  
(b) 'The account of the four signs cannot be true because it is impossible to believe that the Buddha had never seen death or suffering before he left the palace.' Discuss. [10]

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