



Answer **EITHER** all of Question 1 **OR** all of Question 2.

1 (a) Which of the following was of greater importance in the success of Abu Bakr?

(i) Continuation of the traditions of the Prophet

(ii) Conquests in Arabia

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii).

[10]

(b)\* How successfully did Mu'awiya maintain the power of the Caliphate?

[20]

**OR**

2 (a) Which of the following was of greater importance in the increasing significance of Mecca in the period up to 620?

(i) External circumstances

(ii) Trade

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii).

[10]

(b)\* Assess the reasons for the unpopularity of the rule of Uthman ibn Affan after 650.

[20]

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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