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A Level Religious Studies

H573/06 Developments in Buddhist Thought

Time allowed: 2 hours



You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet
(OCR12 sent with general stationery)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Answer **three** questions.
- Write your answer to each question in the answer booklet provided.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **120**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended responses will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document consists of **2** pages.

Answer any **three** questions.

In all your responses, you should:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of religion and belief, including:
 - knowledge and understanding of religious thought and teaching
 - influence of beliefs, teachings and practices on individuals, societies and communities
 - cause and significance of similarities and differences in belief, teaching and practices
 - approaches to the study of religion and belief.
- analyse and evaluate aspects of, and approaches to, religion and belief, including their significance, influence and study.

1* Evaluate the role of the three poisons (three fires) in preventing a person from escaping samsara. [40]

2* 'Westernised Buddhism has distorted the Buddha's teachings.' Discuss. [40]

3* To what extent is emptiness (*sunyata/sunnata*) the most important concept in Mahayana Buddhism? [40]

4* Critically discuss the role of women in the monastic sangha. [40]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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