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**Thursday 20 June 2024 – Morning**

**A Level Religious Studies**

**H573/06 Developments in Buddhist thought**

**Time allowed: 2 hours**



**You must have:**

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Answer **any three** questions.

**INFORMATION**

- The total mark for this paper is **120**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (\*).
- This document has **4** pages.

**ADVICE**

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

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Answer any **three** questions.

In all your responses, you should:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of religion and belief, including:
  - 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 practice
  - 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\*** To what extent does the trikaya doctrine misrepresent who the Buddha was? **[40]**
- 2\*** 'The Buddha's asceticism before his enlightenment is the most important part of his life.' Discuss. **[40]**
- 3\*** Assess the view that the teachings on samsara and rebirth are the least important of the Buddha's teachings. **[40]**
- 4\*** 'There is no significant difference between Jōdo-shū and Jōdo Shinshū Pure Land Buddhism.' Discuss. **[40]**

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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