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Pearson Edexcel Level 3 GCE

Monday 26 June 2023

Afternoon (Time: 2 hours)

Paper reference **9RS0/4F**

Religious Studies

Advanced

PAPER 4: Study of Religion

Option 4F: Sikhism

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- There are **three** sections in this question paper. Answer **all** the questions in each section.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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1 Explore Sikh beliefs about the nature of the self.

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(Total for Question 1 = 8 marks)



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2 Assess the significance of dharam yudh in Sikhism.

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(Total for Question 2 = 12 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 20 MARKS



SECTION B

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Read the following passage before answering the questions.

The ideals and practices of the first Sikh community established by Guru Nanak in Kartarpur, where men and women recited sacred verse, cooked and ate together, are reversed by Chaupa Singh. Instead, he stipulates segregation and discrimination: women may listen to but are prohibited from reading the Guru Granth in public (CS: 538). And among many other dos and don'ts, Chaupa Singh categorically outlaws men from administering amrit to women: 'sikhani nu khande di pahul deve so tankhaia – he is an offender who gives Sikhni amrit prepared by the sword' (506)! The waves of wonder, joy and equality generated by the Gurus quickly found their way back to a stagnant pond of discriminating and androcentric norms that were definitely outside of the Sikh practices instituted by Guru Nanak and his successor Gurus. The voices and views of early patriarchs such as Chaupa Singh have been very harmful to the community as a whole.

(Source: Extract adapted from *Sikhism: An Introduction* Nicky-Guninder Kaur-Singh, I.B. Taurus, 2011, Edexcel Anthology)

- 3 (a)** Clarify the ideas illustrated in this passage about feminist themes in Sikh history.

You must refer to the passage in your response.

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(b) Analyse the view that feminist themes have been under-reported in mainstream accounts of Sikhism.

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(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 30 MARKS



SECTION C

Write your answer in the space provided.

- #### 4 Evaluate Sikh views about ways other religions claim to understand the Divine.

In your response to this question, you must include how developments in Sikhism have been influenced by **one** of the following:

- Philosophy of Religion
- Religion and Ethics
- New Testament Studies.

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TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 30 MARKS
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