Religious Studies B
(Short Course)
Paper 1: Area of Study 1 – Religion and Ethics
Option 1E – Hinduism
Monday 14 May 2018 – Afternoon
Time: 50 minutes

You do not need any other materials.

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.
• Answer all questions.
• Answer the questions in the spaces provided
  – there may be more space than you need.

Information
• The total mark for this paper is 51.
• The marks for each question are shown in brackets
  – use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.
• The question labelled with an asterisk (*) is the one where the quality of your written communication will be assessed
  – you should take particular care on this question with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the use of specialist terminology.
• The marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar are clearly indicated.

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

Question 1: Hindu Beliefs

1. (a) Outline **three** beliefs about Shiva.  

(b) Explain **two** reasons why the tri-guna are important for Hindus.
(c) Explain **two** reasons why artha is important for Hindus today.

In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

(5)
In this question, 3 of the marks awarded will be for your spelling, punctuation and grammar and your use of specialist terminology.

*(d) “If a person suffers, it is their own fault.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:
• refer to Hindu teachings
• reach a justified conclusion.

(15)
(Total for Question 1 = 27 marks)
Question 2: Marriage and the Family

2 (a) Outline three Hindu beliefs about the family. (3)

(b) Explain two Hindu attitudes to homosexuality. (4)
(c) Explain two Hindu teachings about the roles of men and women in the family. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

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(d) “Hindus should not get divorced.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:
• refer to Hindu teachings
• refer to different Hindu points of view
• reach a justified conclusion.

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