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**Question 1**

“The Last Sermon of the Prophet SAW is an excellent *charter of human rights.*” Discuss.

# Q No 1

## 1. Introduction:

Karen Armstrong ascribes in her one of the most prominent books "Muhammad: A Prophet of our Time" that the last sermon of the Prophet shows the expression and vision of just society. Therefore, the last sermon of the Prophet is tremendous charter of human rights. through numerous ways. First of all, it project equality among humans, guides individuals about the rights of wives, and ensures brotherhood among muslims. Also, prohibits bloodshed, exploitation of weak, ensures the rights of slaves, projects economic and wealth protection. Moreover, the last sermon also ensured the rights of those who were not present. Thus, the last sermon of the prophet is the most enormous

## Charter of human rights.

2. Last Sermon of Prophet 632 A.D as the charter of human rights:

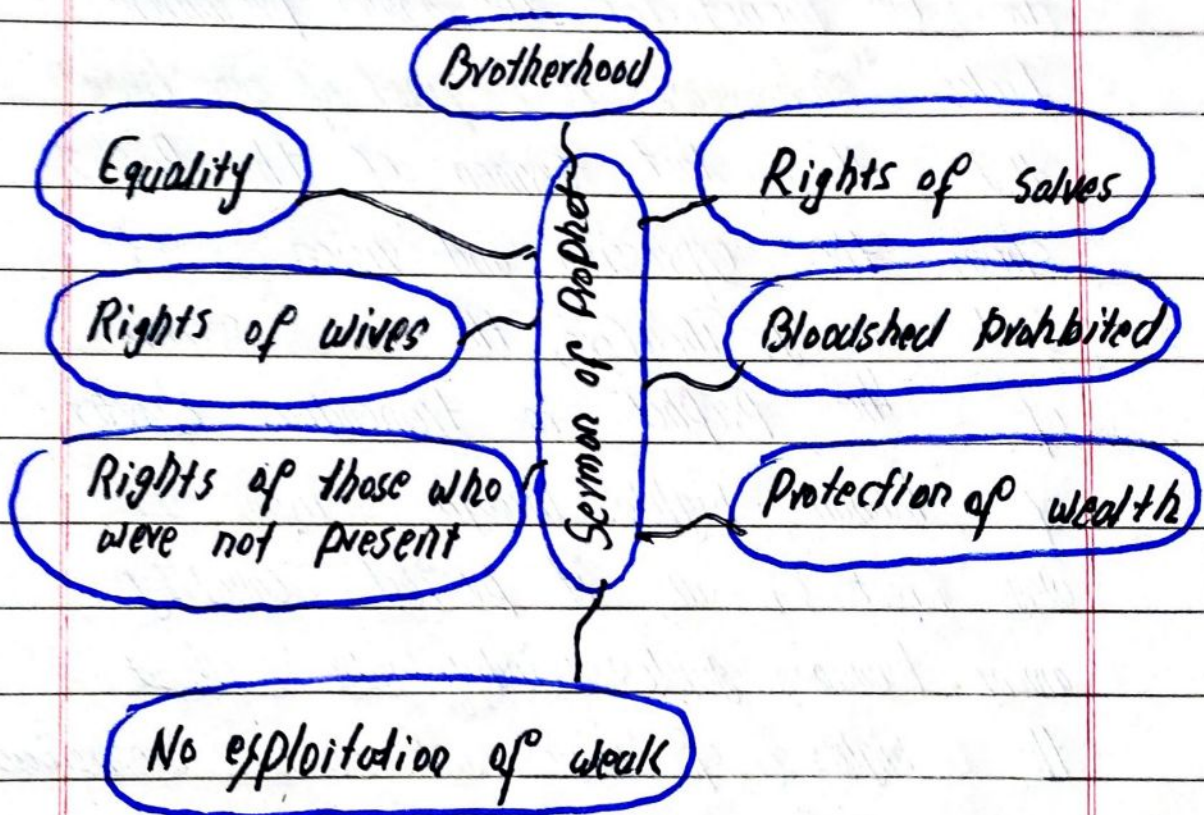


Figure 0.1 the features of last Sermon of Prophet SAW

## 1. Equality among humans:

The Prophet of Allah made the most tremendous example of equality. He rejected discrimination on the basis of color, region and language. Even, He did not consider his tribe as upper.

"O people no Arab is superior to non-Arab and no non-Arab is superior to Arab"

(last sermon)

## 2. Projected rights of wives during Sermon:

women were oppressed before the Islamic era in the Arabian lands. The Prophet changed the scenarios when He taught the oneness of Allah. In the last sermon again he ascribed the rights of women.

"O people your wives have rights over you and you have rights over them. So, treat wives humanly"

(last sermon)

### 3. Rights of Slaves:

In the era of ignorance 450-570 A.D, the slaves were treated inhumanly. The Prophet of Allah changed the era of violence. In the last sermon he addressed the rights of slaves.

"Treat your slaves humanly, what you wear, eat and enjoy the same must be give to them"  
(last sermon 632 A.D)

### 4. Rights of those who were not present:

"The one who listen to my words and pass, Allah will give reward." The Prophet of Allah addressed in the way that even covered the rights of every individual. Therefore, the last sermon is the best instance of equality and justice.

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### No exploitation of weak:

The Prophet of Allah addressed the rights of weak. The weak included needy, disabled and workers.

"O people the exploitation of weak is prohibited, give the workers their due before the sweat gets dry"

(last sermon)

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### Bloodshed prohibited:

Karen Armstrong says in her book that the last sermon of the Prophet was undoubtedly the best charter of human rights. The Prophet told that everyone must end the hostilities of past and establish peace.

## 7. Protection of wealth:

Prophet told the people that (riba) interest was ~~was~~ the act of evil and forced the people to avoid. Also, told the people not to harm the wealth of brothers.

## 8. Establish brotherhood:

The Prophet of Allah ascribed that muslims were brothers.

“Every muslim is the brother of the another”  
(last sermon)

## 9. Islam perfected:

The prophet of Allah ascribed that the Islam completed. Therefore, there

will be no place for evil activities.

“ I have completed your Deen upon you... ”

(Al Quran)

### 3. Conclusion:

In short, Amey Ali ascribed in his book "The Spirit of Islam" that the last sermon of the Prophet was the best vision of rights of humans for the future.

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## **Question 2**

Describe, in detail, the basic characteristics of Islamic Culture.

Q No. 2

### 1. Introduction:

Sociologist, Max Weber ascribes that "Culture is what we are." Around the world billions of Muslims have their own respective cultures of the countries but they all follow the features of Islamic culture. The features of Islamic culture are faith based culture, moralistic, balanced and moderate, open culture, equality among individuals and proponent of good and opponent of evils. Moreover, hospitality based culture, has festivals and celebration, sense of accountability, justice, brotherhood and art and architecture are the elements of Islam culture. Islamic culture is considered one of the most tremendous cultures of the world. This includes religious tolerance. Therefore, Islamic culture has massive values in the world.

## 2. Characteristics of Islamic culture:

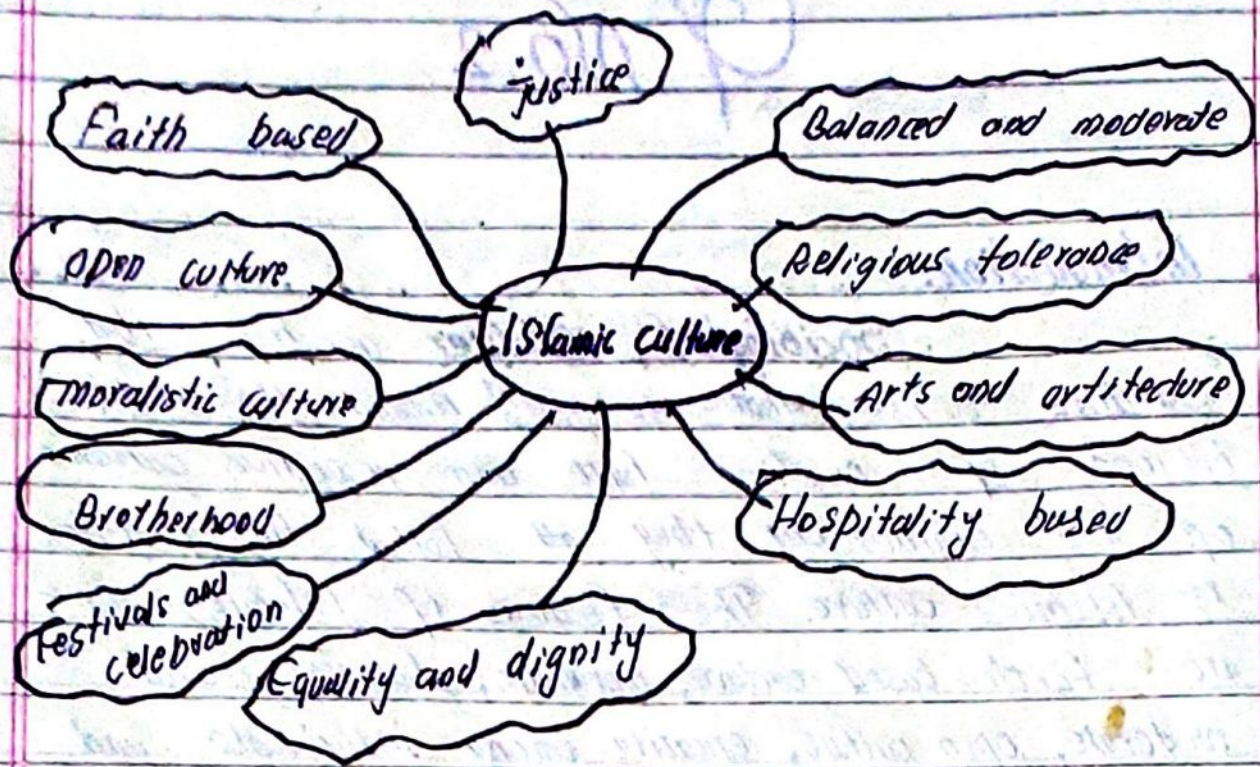


Figure 0.1 Features of Islamic Culture

### 1. Faith based culture:

Islamic culture is based on faith. Things forbidden by Islamic law such as music, interest, dance parties are fully avoided.

### 2. Open culture:

Islamic culture is an open culture. It does not shy of opting tremendous qualities of other cultures such as

technology, theories of science so on and so forth.

### 3. Equality and dignity of humans:

In the Islamic culture all individuals are equal without discrimination on any base. Women, men, black, white, rich and poor all are equal.

"He is nearer to Allah who is pious"

(Quran)

### 4. Moralistic based culture:

Islamic culture is based on tremendous morals. The culture values morality and avoids the individuals to fall from immorality such as sexual intercourse and drinking wine.

### 5. Sense of accountability:

Islamic culture is based on the sense of accountability. Every follower thinks about the life hereafter. In the hereafter everyone will be asked about the deeds.

"Whoever has done an atom's of good will see it,  
whoever has done an atom's of evil will see it"

(Al-Quran)

#### 6. moderate and Balanced culture:

Islamic culture is moderate. In the Islamic culture every act is performed in the limitations such as worships and earning.

"We have made you one of moderate communities"

(Al-Quran)

#### 7. Religious tolerance based culture:

Islamic culture is based on religious tolerance and freedom. Jews, Buddhists and Christians have allowed to practice their faiths in Islamic countries. Examples are the state of Madina 622 A.D.

#### 8. Justice based culture:

Syed Amer Ali describes in his book "The Spirit of Islam" that Muslims are known for justice. Therefore, justice is ensured in every era of Muslims such as Prophet era and Khalifa era.

### 9. Festivals and celebration:

Muslims every year celebrate Eid-ul-Fitr and Eid-ul-Adha. These are the most enormous features of Islamic culture. Thus, these festivals make Islamic culture prominent.

### 10. Arts and Architecture:

Arts like Arabic calligraphy and architecture of Muslim Spain such as Cordova Masjid, Grand Masjid of Syria and Dome of Al-Aqsa are prominent.

### 3. Conclusion:

In short, Islamic culture is one of the best cultures in the world. It has not only influenced the hearts of Muslims but also pagans said Amer Ali in "The Spirit of Islam" book.

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