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MS CB # 47QUESTION # 02ANSWER:CONCEPT OF ISLAM:

General Instructions

1. Give numbering to headings
2. Do not write lengthy paragraphs. Write medium sized paragraphs with headings
3. Do not use table for comparison and contrast questions. Give small paragraphs with headings instead.
4. Draw figures/diagram/flowchart where needed.
5. Start new question from fresh page.
6. Give around 15 headings for 20 marks question.
7. Every question should have introduction and conclusion paragraphs.
8. Add Quran/Hadees references wherever possible.
9. Narrate incidents from the life of Holy Prophet (SAWW) and Khulafa-e-Rashideen
10. Add one quotation of famous religious scholar in each question.

Islam is the religion of monotheism, which describes the sovereignty belongs to Almighty Allah and humans are created to worship and serve His Lord. Comparative to other religions in the world, which emphasizes men to subjugate worldly matters and bow in front of his creator, Islam establishes a practicable middle approach for humankind to make ~~them~~ religion for men to practice. Islam is not the religion but Quran mentions it as "Deen", which is described as set of beliefs, system of governance, economics, diplomacy and various aspects of life. As Holy Prophet mentioned in his last sermon at the conquest of Makkah:

"I have completed the choice of Islam as ~~your~~ a deen" ~~for~~ you"

DESTINCTIVE ASPECTS :

→ PERFECT BALANCE

Islam shows perfect balance of getting favours of this world and thanking God at the same time. Islam beliefs are perfectly aligned with human nature of living standards, where he is allowed to do business, trade, intermingle with community, marry, have children according to set of rules and principles provided by Allah. Islam do not prevent Muslims to subvert the basic necessities of human. He sent messengers in the world among humans so that they can establish perfect example for coming generation to live perfect life. Allah says in Quran:

"I have sent messenger among you, so that they could give you good news and save you [from hell]"

The messengers lead a perfect life in the world, where they married, had children, had businesses and even some of them were blessed with kingdoms. This shows, that one can enjoy blessing of world within given pre-requisites.

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→ STATIC AND MOBILE NATURE OF DEEN :

Islam is the only religion in the world, which have the capacity to innovate according to the needs of modern world. Although, basic principles and faiths are marked on stone, which can never be changed such as tauheed, belief in Prophet hood, angels, Book and day of Judgement. But the practical approach for application of these beliefs could ~~be~~ have capacity to innovate according to the need of an hour. In this context, "Ijihad and Ijma" are two principles according to which muslims take out solutions for the modern day problems such as Banking System, Trade, Social structure, Government system of the State etc. This provides a qualitative balance of static and mobile nature to Islam at the same time, where the set of faiths and beliefs are never altered and the practical approach to achieve modern-day solutions could ^{be} enhanced by Ijihad an Ijma.

IMPORTANCE OF DEEN IN HUMAN LIFE:

→ SPIRITUAL GROWTH:

Human is made up of physical body and a soul. As the body needs nourishment in the form of food and water similarly, the soul needs its nourishment in the form of spiritual connection with its creature. Deen is perfect example to provide both nutrients to the human. On one hand it allows him to take advantage of worldly things, on other side, it established a connection between muslims and Almighty Allah so that his spiritual entity can be flourished.

→ SOCIAL CONTRACT:

Other religions of the world give humans authority to take religious matter to himself. Their religious aspect is subjective and do not allow any other men to intervene in other religious belief. However, Islam as deen gives a interdependent approach of individual religious belief and social behaviour and attitude as a cornerstone of the religion. It describes, a true muslim can never

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get blessings of Almighty Allah, if he is never a not good with his fellow-beings. His holy Prophet (S.A.W) said in his last sermon:

"No Arab is superior than non-Arab, nor non-Arab is superior than Arab"

This illustrates the equality among Muslims and established equal connections among humans. Whosoever, will be good with his fellow-being, will get reward of Almighty Allah in this world and hereafter.

Universal
From God
Morality
Justice
Other aspects

Answer should be comprehensive

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QUESTION # 03ANSWER:ISLAMIC BELIEFS AND FUNDAMENTALS OF ISLAM:

Islam is the ^{only} inclusive religion in the world, which inculcate every aspect of human life in best way possible. Islamic beliefs and fundamentals are described below:

1 → "TAHWEED" OR "BELIEF IN ONENESS OF GOD"

The basic belief of Islam is to have belief in oneness of God that is Almighty Allah. This is demonstrated by the legal words said by any muslim who enter the domain of deen.

" لا اله الا الله محمد رسول الله "

"There is no God but Allah and Muhammad is messenger of Allah"

In Islamic deen, tauheed is of three types mentioned below:

- * Tauheed bil-Zaat Or Oneness in entity.
- * Tauheed bil-Safaat Or Oneness in attributes
- * Tauheed bil-Ibadah Or Oneness in worship.

Islam do not allow muslims to believe one entity only but also consider it major sin if one participate Him in His attributes and worship.

2 → PROPHETHOOD

Allah made this world so that humans thank him and worships him. But when, he saw ~~the~~ men were distracted from their real God and paid their devotion to fake lords. He sent prophets among humans so that they can guide them ^{to} true path and give them message of Allah. Belief in prophethood is second most important belief in Islam and believing the last messenger as Holy Prophet ^ﷺ (S.A.W) is the guiding principle of it.

3) BELIEF IN ANGELS:

Long before the creation of first Human (Hazrat Adam A.S), he made angels, they worship Almighty God and do their assigned work. Muslims believe in the existence of angels, whom ~~four~~ ^{some} are most sacred one mentioned below.

- * Hazrat Jibrael (A.S) - who brought message to holy Prophet
- * Hazrat Michael (A.S) - assigned for rain
- * Hazrat Israfeel (A.S) - assigned to blow the trumpet on day of Judgment.
- * Hazrat Izrael (A.S) - capture soul at the time of death.
- * Karaman katibeen - write good and bad deeds.
- * Hazrat Rizwan - assigned on the gate of heaven.

4) BELIEF IN HOLY BOOKS:

Muslims belief in the holy Books sent as the orders and principles to lead perfect life by Allah. Islam's basic fundamental is to believe in the authenticity of Quran as last and final book revealed on holy Prophet (S.A.W).

Books are mentioned below:

- * Injeel - revealed on Hazrat Issa (A.S)
- * Taurat - revealed on Hazrat Musa (A.S)
- * Zabur - revealed on Hazrat Dawud (A.S)
- * Quran - revealed on Hazrat Muhammad (S.A.W).

5 → BELIEF IN DAY OF JUDGEMENT

The guiding principle of Islam is that whatever human does in this life, he will bore its return on the day of judgement. Muslims believe that if they do good in this world, Allah will reward them with exemplary life in the form of heaven. That day when none will consider his family, relatives, friends, but everyone will think about their fate. The day of Judgement will come after the blow of Hazrat Michael. In the mount of Arafat, every human will testify their deeds in front of Allah.

6 → BELIEF IN PRE-ORDINATION

Islamic another fundamental belief is that it orders muslims to believe in destiny. This can be demonstrated by Imaan-e-Mufasil and Iman-e-Mujamit which shows baite principles for Islam.

”ما من شيء الا وله قدر معلوم عند الله
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"I bear witness to belief on Allah and Angels and Prophets and holy Books and day of Judgement and destiny any good and bad is brought by Allah and life after death."

This describes that any bad or good thing which happens in human life, is already written by Almighty Allah and is surely about to happen. But if any muslim pray or make dua to avert any difficulties, Almighty God is exalted and can avert obstacles from his way.

→ LIFE AFTER DEATH:

Islam believes that about this world is temporary and considers death as a transition between temporary world and permanent world of hereafter. Muslims believe that there is another stage after death in grave called "Barzakh" in which good men will enjoy the bounties by Almighty till the day of resurrection and bad men will taste their punishment. Considering this fact, muslims believe that their day of judgement starts with the death and as their temporary world is ended and they will be rewarded in their graves with blessings of Allah or punishment from Allah.

IMPACTS ON INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY:

→ ACCOUNTABILITY

The Set of Islamic Beliefs described before, ensures men to hold himself accountable in front of Allah in this world. It will allow Muslims to lead a good life and avoid any ~~mis-~~ mis-deeds.

→ SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

Islamic beliefs make possible for human to surrender himself in front of his true sustainer. He considers himself as non-existential in front of great entity. This will build strong connection of humans and Almighty Allah, which will result in continuous struggle of men to thank and praise him.

→ SOCIAL ORDER

The equality and brotherhood given by the Islamic principles make people accountable of their behaviours and attitude towards their fellow being. This will bring peace and prosperity for developed social order in the world.

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RISE OF EXTREMISM:

Rise of extremism was brought up due to poor knowledge and guidance of Islamic true teachings, where muslims depicted wrong image of Islamic belief of "war in the name" of Allah as "war against everyone". This has damaged the true essence and real meaning of "peace" in Islam. Extremism started long before ago but the surge in its ideology was seen in late 20th century, when muslims were evoked to wage war against non-muslims and protect their land. Thus establishing the true Islamic system in the region of Afghanistan. This created a misconception in the underdeveloped religious minds of muslims of that region, that the only possible way to protect their Islamic system is to kill or murder whoever comes in their way.

CAUSES:

→ POOR RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE

Muslims had poor knowledge of true teachings of Islam. They were manipulated in the name of Jihad. However, Jihad is the struggle against his own "Nafs" or "idd". The war in the name of Allah or "Qital" is the last stage in this path. But muslims were unaware of these teaching and directly jumped to the last stage of "Qital" resulting in religious extremism.

→ RELIGIOUS BIASNESS

Muslims face huge humiliation all around the world. This create resentment in the muslims mind against the non-muslims. This serves a seed for the involvement in religious extremist violent organisation. They believe that their existence can be overshadowed by their religious ideology all around the world.

MEASURES: TO COMBAT EXTREMISM:

→ PROPER ISLAMIC EDUCATION:

Muslims can combat the menace of extremism by educating true Islamic teachings and prevent further damage on young muslim population.

→ COUNTER WESTERN PROPAGANDA:

The world is progressing in each second with the advent of modern technology and social media, where fake stories and propaganda spread like a fire. Muslims should counter deliberate move by the west to humiliate Islam in the name of extremism.

→ PROVIDING EASY WAY-OUT:

Many religious extremists do not want to carry out illegal practices and inhumane act in the name of Islam. But due to unending ~~conviction~~ trials after their resignation in courts, community and whole world prevent them to leave extremism. Muslims should focus on providing easy way-out for the resigned jihadists.

→ BLOCKING FINANCIAL AND MORAL SUPPORT:

These extremist organisations strengthen due to moral and financial assistance from all over the world. Muslims should focus to indent these supporters and block any form of help to these organisations.

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QUESTION # 04

ANSWER:

SYSTEM OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN ISLAM:

Islam made human as "Ashraf-ul-Malekoot" "Greatest of Creatures" in moral, spiritual, social domains. This brings the existence of basic rights to live, property, body for ~~ext~~ living qualified life in this world. Almighty God has made every human from a single mother and father (Harat Adam and Harat Hawa). As Allah mentions in Quran:

"We have made humans from single human" Thus, every human living in this world is brother to one another, they also bear rights that can be protected in the society so as to establish justice and equality.

→ RIGHT TO LIVE

Islam gives basic right of existence to every human being. Allah mentions in Quran:-

"Any muslim who murders other men, seems to murder whole mankind. And whosoever, protect any men seems as he protected whole mankind"

This shows that in the eye of Islam, every human either muslim or non-muslim is obliged to protect the life of other men.

→ RIGHT TO PROPERTY

Islam gives right to own property to every human and also orders muslim to not loot, mutilate or damage others property or land even at the time of Battle.

This is demonstrated by Holy Prophet (S.A.W) orders given at the time of conquest of Makkah, where he orders muslims to not harm or damage any property of Makkah.

→ RIGHT TO INHERITANCE:

Almighty Allah gave many pre-requisites in the Quran to Muslims to follow real ratios and percentage of inheritance given to heirs. This is never seen in any other religion, where proper set of rules and regulations are prescribed in holy Book to follow. Islam give right to inheritance from parents, partners, siblings, relatives. Allah orders Muslims to not make their heirs poor but gift them part of their property allocated by Allah in Quran.

ISLAMIC SYSTEM ENSURES WOMEN STATUS:

→ PROTECTED WOMEN'S LIFE:

Before the advent of Islam, Quraysh of Makkah use to kill their and bury their daughter. Islam gave girls right to live and ~~equalized their~~ gave them equal status against males counters. Holy Prophet wept when one of disbelievers came to told him that he bury his daughter. ~~He~~ Holy Almighty Allah orders Muslims to not kill their children because of poverty or any other reason.

Allah mentions in Quran:

"Do you kill your children due to fear of poverty?"

Indeed Allah is provider, and he is the sustainer of the world. Islamic human rights system prevent human to murder their girls and thus give women the status to live good life.

→ RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS OR HUSBAND:

Women status in Islam is seen as to be protected from the scorching heat of injustice and evil. Before marriage, she is responsibility of her father or brothers to provide her basic necessities and after marriage, she is pure responsibility of husband to give her every human rights she deserves. This shows the Islamic system of providing basic rights to every individual gives unremarkable status to women.

→ RIGHT TO SPEND ON HERSELF:

Islamic system ensures the dignified status of women by providing her capacity to spend his money, property,

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inheritance share, pay all on herself.
However, she is also provided with the possible share in her husband's and parents' income. But none of them have authority to take money from her income without her permission. Although, if she wants to give and participate in finances and assist her father or husband, she is allowed to do it. This demonstrates the basic right of acquiring money and spending on one-self is only given ^{to women} in Islamic system.

Political rights
Social rights
Economic rights
Legislative rights