

General Instructions

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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.

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.

1- Introduction

10. Add one quotation of famous religious scholar in each question.

11. Change colour scheme for references to give them more visibility.

12. Manage time

13. Wide page borders are discouraged. Should be reasonable.

14. Avoid writing wrong references.

15. Give more weightage to expressedly asked part/s of the question.

16. Avoid writing wrong Quran/Hadith references. It puts extremely negative impression.

2- Status of Women in Islam

i) Women as Mothers

Islam has exalted the status of mothers above fathers. Once a man asked Holy Prophet SAW about the respectable person to ask for him. Holy Prophet SAW replied, "your mother". The man asked thrice, and Holy Prophet SAW replied with the name of mother (Al-Hadith). This highlights the status of women.

ii) Women as Daughters

Islam emphasizes in treating daughters in a good

manner. The Holy Prophet SAW has mentioned

"The person who has three daughters, feeds them, and cloth them well, he will go in paradise with me" (Al-Hadith)

This highlights the exalted status of daughters.

iii) Women as wives

Islam emphasises on treating the wives in a decent manner. The Holy Prophet SAW has mentioned in his Last Sermon:

"O people! Fear Allah concerning women"

(Abstract from the last sermon)

Wives are part of a life men. Therefore, they are cautioned about their treatment.

iv) Equal Status of women with men

unlike other religions, Islam grants equal status to women like men. As it is mentioned:

"Allah will not waste the work of any worker whether male or female" (Abstract from Quran)

this exalts the status of women. Unlike other religions such as Hinduism that does not provide equal status to women.

3- Islam ensures the rights of women

Islam prescribes the various rights of women that

should be fulfilled. Otherwise
a deceiver of women rights will
taste the fire of hell.

i) Right to life

Before Islam: Female child killed
Islam has banned this
practice of killing female children.
As it is mentioned in Quran

"Whoever kills a person
it is as if he has killed
whole of humanity"

(Abstract from Quran)

In this way, the killing of
daughters has been restricted

ii) Protection of right to ^{Consent} ~~marriage~~ before marriage

Nowadays, women
are not consulted about their marriage.
But Islam has provided this right

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to women. The Holy Prophet SAW has mentioned

A virgin must be asked before his marriage"

(Abstract from Hadith)

In this, this right is protected.

iii) ~~Right~~ preserving the right to Education

Islam has preserved the right of education for women. AS it is mentioned:

"To seek knowledge is obligatory upon muslim men and women"

(Abstract from Hadith)

iv) Right to Re-marry

Hinduism widow → perform Satti
Burn alive

While Islam has completely

rejected this practice. Islam provides a right to remarry to widow women.

v) Right to Khula

Islam provides a right to khula to women

Khula: Divorce from husband

In other religions, this is not granted. But Islam provides this right to women.

vi) Right to charge for breastfeeding : A unique preservation

In all other religion, no such right is mentioned, But Islam provides this right to women. The Holy Prophet SAW has mentioned that a women can charge for breastfeeding to children.

4. Conclusion

Islam grants higher status to women. It also protects the rights of women. Unlike other worldly religions, Islam provides extraordinary rights to women. Islam is the only religion that provides all types of rights to women.

Question 02

Doctrine of Tauheed: Importance and effects on believer

1- Introduction

The tauheed doctrine holds significant importance in the life of a believer. It guides him and sets him in right direction. It leaves unmatched effects on the life of a believer such as providing guidance, building trust and securing his dignity.

2- Doctrine of Tauheed

a) Definition

Tauheed means

Oneness, Unity

In terminological definition, it means that having firm belief in the oneness of Allah Almighty.

b) Types of Tauheed

There are 3 types

- Unity in Actions توحيد في الافعال
- Unity in Attributes توحيد في الصفات
- Unity in Existence توحيد في الذات

i) Unity in Existence

It means that

Allah is one. There is no deity capable of worship except

Allah. As it is mentioned in
Surah Akhlas:

قُلْ هُوَ اللهُ أَحَدٌ

It highlights the oneness of Allah

ii) Unit Oneness in Actions

It refers to that having firm believe that Allah is alone in performing his actions

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَكُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

This verse is the manifestation of this reality ✓

iii) Oneness in Attributes

The attributes of Allah can not be given to anyone else. It means having firm belief that Allah is only

worthy of his attributes.

Allah's attributes:

- does not sleep
- watches all people

3- Importance of Tauheed

i) Secures dignity of Man

A true believer of Allah does not prostrate before other objects. He keeps firm believe in Allah. As Allah is only protector

Worshipping idols → hurt dignity

ii) protects man from pride

Sovereignty belongs to Allah. A man is nothing before him. As it is mentioned

ان الله لا اله الا هو

this ends any feeling of
pride

iii) Guides man in the right
direction

Tauheed guides
man right direction and protects
him from following worldly
Gods.

Firron announced him God
But follower of Hazrat Musa and
Tauheed did not follow him.
This shows only the right
path

iv) promotes Equality among
humans

The follower of
Tauheed does not degrade other
men. Because he knows that Allah
has created everything. As Allah

has mentioned:

"We created you from Adam and Eve, and made you races and tribes"

(Abstract from Quran)

This equality mentioned by Allah is followed by the believer of Tauheed.

4- Effects on the true believer

i) Builds his trust

The follower of Tauheed strengthens his trust in Allah by accepting that he is only a creator of this universe. He does not look for anyone else rather keeps firm believe in Allah Almighty.

ii) Bring Reward for True believer

The true believer
will get salvation in Akhirah

True believer of Tauheed → Jannah

Believers of Other things → Jahannam

By following tauheed, he will get
Jannah

iii) Keeps true believer on the right
path: protection from Evil

A true follower
of Tauheed remains aloof from
evils.

Believer → Allah is watching
↳ Aloofness from evil

In this way, having a firm faith
in Allah, a true believer protects
himself from the evil things.

iv) Ensures his belief in Akhirah

The true believer
bears pain on the premises that
he will get reward in Akhirah

A) It is stated:

"Whoever has done an
atom's weight of goodness he
will see it"

(Abstract from Quran)

5. Conclusion

The doctrine
of Tauheed holds a significant
importance in the life of a
true believer. It guides him
in every direction. Moreover it
establishes unity among
humans.

Question 04

Philosophy of Soun

its Social, Moral, Spiritual

Impacts

1- Introduction

The Soun also has significant impacts on human life such as building connection with Allah, Refraining from Sins and understanding the pain of others. Moreover, it also purifies the hearts of man as well. It also brings greater reward as well.

2. Philosophy of Soum

a) Definition

In literal sense: Soum means prevent, stop something prevention from something

In terminological sense: it means that restricting from eating food, drinking water, and enjangin in sexual intercourse from dawn till dusk.

Obligation of Soum

After 2 years of Hijrah, Soum was made obligatory for muslims. Simply, It was made necessary worship in 2. A.H.

3. Social Impacts of Saum

i) Forces man to understand the pain of weak members of society

- The hunger and desire of drinking water during Saum makes man able to realize the pains of weak members of the society.

Hunger
drinking desire } forces man to
realize pain

ii) Brings harmony in Society

During Ramadan, people are used to do lot of worship for gaining rewards. This daily gathering of people in mosques bring social harmony among the members of society.

iii) Establish good relation between weak and strong members of society

The rich people after influencing from the philosophy of Soun provides financial help to poor. This builds a strong relationship between rich and poor.

4. Moral impacts of Soun

i) Reduces sexual desires

Intensity of sexual desires is reduced by Soun. The Holy Prophet SAW has urged the people to establish Soun for mitigating their sexual desires.

ii) Protects man from Evil

During the condition of Soun people refrain from evils.

Condition of Soun
↓
people refrain from
lying, theft, killing

In this way, it protects man from evils.

iii) Purifies the heart of man

The one month period purifies the heart of man. When he indulges in worship, during this month, he gets relief from tensions. He abstains from evil. This abstinence from evil purifies his heart.

5- Spiritual Impacts of Saum

i) Brings greater Reward

Saum brings greater reward. As it is mentioned:

"Fasting is for me,
and I will provide
reward for it"

(Abstract from Hadith)

Therefore, it brings a greater
reward for the person

ii) Builds a strong Connection
between Allah and man

The period
of months impacts man
positively. In this period, a man
establishes a strong connection
with Allah without any any

intervention.

Ramdan Month

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 → worship

 → Fasting
 } → builds

 strong

 connection

iii) Protection from Sins

Saum is a strong protection against sins
 As Holy Prophet SAW has mentioned:

Saum is a shield
 against Sins

(abstract from Hadith)

This worship protects man from Sins.

iv) Acceptance of prayers

Saum brings a greater reward in the form of acceptance of prayers. As it is mentioned:

Allah never rejects the prayer of Saum-holder

6. Conclusion

The Soun is pertinent worship. It impacts human morally, socially and spiritually.

Maulana Abaidullah Sindhi has defined the purpose of Soun: The Soun is a worship that teaches the rich people the difficulties of poor people.

Question 05

Special Characteristics

of Muslim Ummah

Its Role in Resolving

Issues of Muslim World

1- Introduction

The muslim Ummah has unique characteristics such as duty of prophets, moderation, establishing justice, ensuring peace. and Middle Ummah. It can resolve the issues of muslim by preaching equality, establishing Islamic economic and political system.

2- Understanding Muslim Ummah

The muslim is the follower of last Prophet SAW. Islam is his deen. It has been given superiority over other Ummahs.

3- Characteristics of Muslim Ummah

i) Moderate Ummah

The muslim Ummah is moderate Ummahs.

As it is mentioned in the Holy Quran:

And we made you
a moderate Ummah

(Abstract from Quran)

Thus, this verse of the Holy Quran justifies the modelation of muslim Ummah.

ii) Given the duty of Prophets

The prophets were sent for spreading goodness and forbidding evil. Now, this duty has been transferred to muslim Ummah As it has been mentioned:

“ You order goodness
and forbade evilness”

(abstract from ^{Quran} hadith)

iii) Announced as the Best Ummah

The muslim Ummah has been announced as the best Ummah. As it is clearly stated in Quran:

لَا تَجِدُ أُمَّةً أَحْسَبَ لِلَّهِ

This made it abundantly clear

Clear that the muslim Ummah is the best Ummah in the world.

iv) Having Characteristics of Equality

Other nationalities deny equality among humans.

White people regarded black people

But Muslim Ummah has been exempted from this inequality. The Holy Prophet SAW has mentioned in his Last Sermon :

"An arab has no superiority over non Arab. a non-Arab has no superiority over an arab."

(Abstract from Last Sermon)

In this way, the concept of inequality has been eradicated from Muslim Ummah.

4. Role of Muslim Ummah in Resolving the Issues of Muslim World

a) Issues of Muslim World

- Socio-Economic problem
- political problem
- Rising Islamophobia
- Rising extremism

b) Solutions by Muslim Ummah

- i) Spread soft image of Islam
for restricting Islamophobia

Muslim should display original picture of Islam that is being attacked by western world. West claims that Islam spread by sword. In reaction to

Muslim Ummah should highlight the peaceful spread of Islam. As it is in the Quran:

لَا إِكْرَاهَ فِي الدِّينِ

This duty should be performed by Muslim Ummah

ii) Popularizing the true teachings of Islam by countering extremism

During Soviet attack in Afghanistan, Western world has misinterpreted the teachings of Islam. The Muslim Ummah should counter this narrative and popularize true teachings of Islam.

iii) Presenting Islamic economic system for solving economic problems of the Muslim world

Muslim should counter western economic system that

is based on usury
Western economic system: Based on
Usury / Interest
Islamic economic system exempted
from usury should be implemented.
This system can resolve the problems
of economic of muslim world.

iv) Ensuring Islamic principles
in political system

The political
system of various muslim countries
are exploitative in nature. These
systems should be replaced with
the system of Islamic principles.
The characteristics of pious caliphate
period should be implemented.

v) Popularizing the justice among
muslim world

The ensurance
of justice could resolve many

issues of muslim world. For instance, it could restrict crimes in muslim world.

4i) Spreading unity among muslim for resolving the issue of palestine

The muslim Ummah should strive for having unity among muslim countries for resolving the issue of palestine. Some muslim countries are with Israel.

muslim countries → collectively boycott relations with Israel.

5- Conclusion

The muslim Ummah has very unique characteristics. It can also resolve many issues of muslim by popularizing the ideas of his deen.