

PART II

QUESTION 1

BELIEFS OF ISLAM

1. Introduction

Basic Beliefs in Islam provides a general guideline for the mankind. It helps in navigating the life. These beliefs are based on 5 pillars, on which Islam religion relies on. Moreover, the concept of Akhira is one of the most fundamental doctrine of these five pillars. Belief on these faith, helps in creating just society, individuals are conscious about their acts, better and acceptable actions are performed and moreover, brotherhood and equality is created.

2 Basic Beliefs of Islam in General

There are five basic beliefs of Islam. These are Shahada, Roza, Hajj belief in Hereafter life, and finally of Prophethood.

A. **Shahada**:- The concept of Shahadah helps in guiding declaring that there is only one God and that is Allah Almighty. On which Allah also says in the Quran. that

"There is no ^{one} worthy of worship except me, so worship me alone."

Al-Quran

B. **Finality of Prophethood:** Belief in the finality of prophethood is also equally important for the mankind. The help, mankind, to have believe that there will be no prophet after Holy Prophet (S.A.W.W.) in which Allah says.

“He (Hadrat Muhammad S.A.W.W.) is the messenger of Allah and seal of prophethood.”

Al-Quran

Holy Prophet Hadrat Muhammad (S.A.W.W.) also acknowledged and said:

“There will be no prophet after me.”
Holy Prophet

C. **Belief on life after Death:** This is also the belief that this life is temporary life. And ~~every~~ every mankind has leave this world. Believe in Akhirat also means acknowledging that there will be resurrection, accountability, punishment and Reward. After the punishment and reward, mankind will be end to according to their deeds to Jannat and Jahannam.

“Every soul shall test death.”
Al-Quran

Doctrine of Akhbarat

The doctrine of Akhbarat ~~not~~ tells mankind that this world is temporary and hereafter is eternity. and mankind will be sent to according to ~~the~~ deeds. It inculcates fears in mankind to perform good deeds and avoid evil actions.

A. Different Phases of Akhbarat

Akhbarat is divided into seven different phases. and these are as mentioned below:

Phase 1: Grave:- Here worldly lives end and ~~man~~ dead body is laid in the grave till the end of the world.

Phase 2: Barzakh:- Here It is life between Grave and till the day of Qayamat. and ~~some~~ this Quran says:

"And there is a barrier (Barzakh) before the day of resurrection."

Al-Quran.

On this, Imam Ghazali also said that:

"The grave is ^{neither} a garden, a garden for the heaven nor a pit, a pit for hell."

Imam Ghazali

Phase 3:- End of world and trumpet: In this phase whole universe will end and there would be no one else.

Phase 4:- Day of Recurrection: In this day, all souls will be provided again to the world, and human will be raised up.

Phase 5:- Gathering:- at one place all these mentioned will be gathered for their reward and punishment. And that place would be Ma'den-e-Arafat.

Phase 6:- Hisab and Mizan:- Here individuals are given their reward and punishment as per their deeds.

Phase 7:- Tannat or Tahannam:- after the reward and punishment, mankind will be sent to Tannat or Tahannam based on their deeds and that would be their eternal life.

4. Impact of basic beliefs of Islam on individual lives.

A. Beliefs helps in enjoying good and forbidding the wrong:- Through basic beliefs in Islam, individuals adopt right direction and avoid and forbids

there every direction, knowing Allah Almighty is watching them. and they will be sent to hell or hereafter life.

"Indeed, you are the best nation ever raised for humanity. You enjoin right and forbid wrong."

Al-Quran

B. **Inculcates sense of accountability**:- Individuals try to be more conscious in their daily life and in their action, knowing that they will be held for accountable in the day of Judgement. As Allah says in the Quran:

"Whoever does an atom's weight of good will see it. and whoever does an atom's weight of evil will see it."

Al-Quran

C. **Provides sense of purpose in life**:- Individuals get a sense of purpose in life. At the hard times. As Allah has created these hard times and good times to testify the mankind's belief faith. Henceforth, Allah says:

"And Do you think you have created you vain?"

Al-Quran

5. Impact of Basic Beliefs of Islam in Community Life.

A. It helps in creating a just society:
Believe in faith helps in creating a just society by stopping of wrong actions and evil activities. Which ultimately leads to create a better good society. As Allah says in the Quran:

"And establish Justice, Indeed, Allah loves those who act justly."

Al-Quran

B. It helps in creating brotherhood in the society: These beliefs help in creating a brotherhood among the Muslims. As they each individual take care of other Muslim brother. and it also true. as Quran says:

"The believers are but brothers."

Al-Quran.

6. Conclusion:

The concept of basic beliefs of Islam provides a true path that leads to Jannah, when followed properly. The doctrine of Akhira gives fear in individuals to act correctly. Moreover, it helps in creating a better human and good society.

Question 2

PRAYER

1. Introduction

Prayer is one of the pillars of Islam. on which Islam is based on. Prayer differentiates ~~from~~ a person from ~~believer~~ and a non-believer. Prayer helps as a better person, and closer with Allah Almighty and it also gives purposeful life. Moreover, it also provides patience and to the individuals.

2. Literal meaning:

It means, to provide a supplication to the one.

3. Contextual meaning:

It means to provide a supplication ~~and~~ and ~~prayer~~ ~~from~~ to the Allah Almighty. However, to pray ~~Arabic~~, Quran has multiple times compelled individuals to perform prayer. On which Holy prophet (S.A.W.) also said that:

"Allah loves the person who is in prostration."

Sahih Bukhari

4. Importance of Prayer for mankind:

Prayer provides countless benefits to the individuals and thus it

carries huge importance for mankind. Some of the significances are mentioned below:

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Importance of Prayer

- 1. Protects from sin
- 2. Leads to Jannah after day of resurrection.
- 3. Creates harmonious society.
- 4. Provides patience to individuals
- 5. Gives gratitude
- 6. Sense of belonging

6.

Times and Names of Prayer

- 1. Fajr
- 2. Zuhar
- 3. Asar
- 4. Magrib
- 5. Isha

7. Pre-requisites of Prayer

Individuals need to purify himself by doing wudu. In case of full ablution, individuals must do full ablution or take a bath. Individuals' intention of worship must be clear and that he is praying to Allah Almighty only. Individuals need to be sincere for their prayers.

8. Social Impact of Prayers

A. It helps in creating brotherhood in the society.

Prayers being pray 5 times a day with congregation, helps provide an opportunity to meet and greet after the waza. For this where societal level are issues are also discussed. For this matter Holy Prophet (S.A.W.H) also said that

“Prayers in congregation is 27 times better than prayer in alone.”
Sahih Muslim.

B. It helps in illustrating equality among muslim

Prayer also showcased that in prayer and in front of Allah Almighty everyone is equal, and there is no difference between rich and poor, influence or non-influence. On which Holy Prophet also mentioned that in his last sermon that:

“No Arab has superiority over non-Arabs except piety.”
Holy Prophet - Last Sermon

C. It helps in creating unity among Muslim Nation

Prayer helps in creating unity among Muslim Nation while everyone is following the Takbeer of the Imam, and ~~at~~ This illustrates a unity among Muslims. To the non-Muslims and then non-Muslims fear that ~~the~~ they should not be better to disturb them.

9. Moral Impact of Prayer

A. Prayer helps in building a better person

Praying 5 times and being in the state of wazu avoid individuals from evil action. Then this, allows to adopt good actions rather than evil activities knowing Allah is watching them.

B. It ~~force~~ forces individuals to act morally

Individuals act morally, knowing they will be meeting with Almighty through prayer so it would be better to avoid immoral actions, ~~and~~ these actions not only disturb individuals but also
• Allah gets upset on the individuals.
As ~~one~~ mentioned can see how the whole nation were destroyed by Allah Almighty.

10. Spirited Impact on individual's life.

A. It provides sense of patience

By remembering Allah, through prayers, it ~~indicates~~ indicates patience in individual as individuals contact directly with Allah. And they leave worldly matters to the Almighty. As the Quran says

"Verily, in the remembrance of Allah, do hearts find peace."

Al-Quran

B. Provides a source of hope

During the hardships, individuals frequent prayers to Allah for their forgiveness and provide a ease in their lives. But individuals do not find ~~only~~ any source of hope. But still they have blind trust in Allah, as Allah says in the Quran that:

"Do not despair mercy of Allah."

Al-Quran.

C. Prayers provide sense of belonging

Through prayer, mankind knows that they are seeking for Allah's mercy. And prayer shows that there is someone someone who to whom they all are worship. This helps to provide sense of belonging when they are misguided and go astray.

Praying five a day shows a sense of belonging in the muslim nation"
Washington Irvn.

II. Conclusion

Prayer is one of the basic fundamental of Islam. Through this believers and non-believers can be identified. It helps in creating a better human being, avoid social evil in the society. It strengthens the concept of brotherhood in the society. Prayers also depict everyone is equal in the eye of Allah Almighty. Which is an equality is created in society in the society.

Question 7 (A)

1. Introduction

Governance structure of Islam provides a path of how an Islamic society can be governed. It provides the process of Shura, legislative and source of Islamic law in Islam.

2. Shura in Islam

Shura in Islam means a mutual consultation through which the modern problems can be solved. Shura means to sit up with, consult, the states.

3. Legislation in Islam

All the modern problems must be solved through Islamic legislation. That helps to take decision that is most preferable in the sight of Allah and is better for a society as a whole. It is a consultation between the ruler and the ruled.

4. Sources of Islamic Law in Islam

Sources of Islamic law depends on the Quran, and Hadith, Ijma and

Qiyas. When Muslims encounter any issue in their life, they look for a law for its solution. If they do not find any solution there, they go for Hadith, if not there then they do Ijma and Qiyas. which is an independent feature. and

A beautiful conversation was reported by the companions of Holy Prophet when Hazrat Mohammed S.A.W appointed Mu'az bin Jabal to the Governorship of Yemen. Holy Prophet asked: So Mu

Mu'az, how you will govern the state?

Mu'az replied: by the Book of Allah.

Holy Prophet asked: What if you do not find solution there? then

Mu'az replied: then I will go to you Hadith, and sunnah.

Holy prophet asked: What if you do not find solution there also then?

Mu'az replied: then I will do Ijma, with my own thinking.

5. Why Islamic Governance is not adopted by Pakistan?

1. Higher influence of western countries and culture.

2. Elite tilt towards liberalism and

3. Economy is interest-based.

4. Governance laws are adopted by western countries.

6. Conclusion:

Governance structure of Islam provides a complete road map for a Islamic society when it is adopted with true spirit. Many countries like Pakistan, still does not have full character of Islamic governance because of western countries influence. However, some Arab countries have full Islamic governance even today. Hopefully that countries with Islamic governance can grow as well.

Question 7B. EDUCATION IN ISLAM.

1. Introduction

Islam provides encouragement individuals to take education. Because through education Islamic economy and rest of world grows. Islam focus individuals to learn Islamic or modern knowledge. and even first revelation revealed on Holy Prophet S.A.W.W was about feed on which Holy Prophet replied "I cannot read." Thus highlighting the significance of Education for Muslims. The first revelation was:

"Read in the Name of Lord."

~~Al~~ Al-Quran

2. Holy Prophet's emphasis on Education

Holy prophet (S.A.W.W) had directed Muslims to read learn education. As it grow individual's intellectual and wisdom. Holy prophet multiple times said that

"Acquiring Education is compulsory on every Muslim (including men and women)"

Sahih Muslim

"Acquire education from cradle to grave."

Sahih Bukhari

Even there is Ayat in the Quran, that urges on the acquiring the education. That is:

"O Allah, Increase me in knowledge."

Al-Quran

3. Holy Prophet's educational Institutions in Makkah

↳ Dar-e-Arqam

↳ Dar-e-Hayk

↳ Dar Al-Nadwa

↳ Shrib Abi Talib

4. Course that were taught in these schools

↳ Basic faith and Quran

↳ Calligraphy

↳ Character building

↳ Human philosophy

Holy Prophets

5. Holy prophet's direction for teachers to convey their topics

→ being loudible

→ ensure fairness, clarity

→ equal participation

→ asking questions

→ emphasis on major concepts

→ revising the important topics

→ ensuring all students are on the same page.

Conclusion

6. Significance of Education on Individual life.

→ intellectual thinking

→ critical decision making power

→ education decision

→ ability to knowledge in depth.

7. Significance of Education at Community level.

→ create a better society

→ peace and justice

→ society moves towards advancement

→ more development and progress

→ better governance system

→ existence of intellectual wealth.

9. Conclusion

Importance of Education in Islam provides various benefits. It changes ~~social~~ social status of individuals. Holy prophet, the best principle for education, providing information of every knowledge. It also signifies teachers to be more active and encourage students to participate in the class. In the long term, it will create a better person in particular and good community of educated person in general. Thus Holy prophet ~~prophet~~ prophet ~~once~~ said,

"Acquire knowledge, even if you have to go barefoot."

Sahih Muslim

Question 3

1. Introduction

Islam is a religion of complete code of life. That provides all the details of how to live life. Islam has recognized

the dignity of women specially women. As before Islam, women were used to mistreated by the male. Hence, Islam restore the dignity of women.

2. How Islam recognized the dignity of women specially women.

A. It gives her right to choose spouse
Islam states that women must must be consulted before getting in marriage. Her consultation is necessary.

B. It gives her right for Hazy Mehr
Islam encourages women for Hazy mehr. And it should be given to her will.

C. It gives her right for personal choice in life.

Islam encourages ^{men} ~~women~~ for to respect women's respect. And her contribution must be taken into consideration before he taking decision in household work.

D. It gives her right for divorce and khula.

Women is allowed to take divorce if her husband is making mistakes in their relation.

3. How Islam recognized the dignity of human

A. It provide right to life

Women have full freedom to live their life easily without any force.

B. It provide dignity through religious freedom

Islam has given option to select their individual and be in it. without No forcing someone to convert or change their religion. Until a person will believe himself. For the Quran says:

"let there be no compulsion in religion"

Al-Quran

C. It provide dignity by fair justice system

Islam forces individuals to get justice when it comes to justice. so that every party may not be at advantage

or disadvantage. In this, Allah says
in the Quran

"Indeed, Allah loves those who act
justly"

Al-Quran

D. It provides dignity through acquiring
education

Islam encourages individuals
to acquire education and make
it compulsory for every
Muslim ~~and~~ including men and women
in which Western philosophers also said
that.

"The roots of education are bitter
but its fruits are fruitful."

Aristotle.

4. Efforts that have been adopted to maintain
dignity of human and women

1. State's responsibility to protect citizens

2. Country's constitution provides
support to the humans.

3. United Nation on Human Rights
4. United Nations Convention on protecting women rights.
5. Transparent Justice to ensure human dignity
6. Practice of death Penalty in Saudi Arabia for Zina
7. Amputation of hand in Bahrain

5. Conclusion

Islam has provided and recognized the dignity of human especially women by give her consultation rights in marriage, divorce, Haq Mehr. It also provides right to education, life, religious freedom. However, ~~these~~ this dignity is still being maintained through ~~states~~ state's responsibility, constitutional rights, and convention and agreement like United Nation of Human Rights.