HISTORY - SOUTH ASIA AND THE MIDDLE EAST (INCLUDING NORTH AFRICA)

Higher Level

Thursday 13 May 1999 (morning)

This examination paper consists of 25 questions.

The maximum mark for each question is 20.

The maximum mark for this paper is 60.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do NOT open this examination paper until instructed to do so.

Answer any THREE questions.

EXAMINATION MATERIALS

Required:

None

Allowed:

A simple translating dictionary for candidates not working in their own language

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- 1. Compare the careers and achievements of Robert Clive and Warren Hastings.
- 2. What impact did European powers have on the Ottoman Empire in the late eighteenth century and the first half of the nineteenth century?
- 3. Explain both the causes of the Sepoy Revolt of 1857, and the reasons why it was unsuccessful.
- 4. To what extent do you agree with the claim that Muhammed Ali Pasha was successful in achieving his aims?
- 5. Explain the objectives of the Tanzimat reforms and assess how far these were achieved.
- 6. Assess the importance of either Mohamed Abduh or Sayid Ahmad Khan.
- 7. How valid is the description of Abdul Hamid II as a 'weak despot'?
- 8. Account for the outbreak of the Lebanese civil war in 1861.
- 9. How satisfied were Indians with British rule from 1858 to 1919?
- 10. Analyse the stability of the Qajar dynasty in the late nineteenth century.
- 11. Examine the impact of British policy in the region during and immediately after the First World War.
- 12. Examine the impact of the post-war settlement on Turkish politics.
- 13. Discuss the aims and achievements of either Reza Shah or Ibn Saud.
- 14. Examine the problems facing the British as the mandatory power in Palestine. Explain why they were unable to resolve them.

- 15. Assess the contribution of Jinnah to the establishment of the state of Pakistan.
- 16. Compare the causes and consequences of the Arab/Israeli wars of 1967 and 1973.
- 17. Assess the extent of political, social and economic change in any one state in the region since 1945.
- 18. Outline and critically assess the career of Indira Gandhi.
- 19. Account for the role of the military in politics in Pakistan since independence.
- 20. To what extent did tensions between western influences and religious traditionalists lead to the Iranian revolution of 1979?
- 21. Why has the Lebanon experienced so much instability since 1950?
- 22. Compare and contrast political developments in Saudi Arabia and Syria since 1945.
- 23. Comment on the view that "The influence of the superpowers in the region has been much exaggerated."
- 24. Assess the foreign policy of Anwar Sadat.
- 25. What impact has 'Islamic fundamentalism' had on the place of women in society? Give examples from two countries.