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# FOURTH SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY) EXAMINATION, APRIL 2025

(CBCSS)

Islamic History

#### ISH 4E 02—MAJOR WORLD RELIGIONS

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

Answers should be written either in English or Malayalam.

### Part A (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any **four** questions in not less than 50 words. Each question carries 2 weightage.

- 1. Vaishnavism.
- 2. Mahabharata.
- 3. Significance of fire in Zoroastrian worship.
- 4. Mahayana.
- 5. Tirthankara.
- 6. Guru Nanak.
- 7. Trinity.

 $(4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ weightage})$ 

#### Part B (Short Essay)

Answer any **four** questions in not less than 150 words. Each question carries 3 weightage.

- 8. Critically evaluate the purpose of studying world religions.
- 9. Explain the basic teachings of Budhism.
- 10. Trace the Zoroastrian monotheism.
- 11. Assess the key principles of Sikhism.

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- 12. Discuss the rituals and observances of Judaism.
- 13. Describe the organizational structure of the Roman Catholic Church.
- 14. Explain the causes that led to the formation of Eastern Orthodox Church.

 $(4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ weightage})$ 

## Part C (Long Essay)

Answer any **two** question in not less than 450 words. Each question carries 5 weightage.

- 15. Analyse the universal elements in the meaning and definitions of religion.
- 16. Evaluate the development of Hinduism in different stages.
- 17. Jainism has played a significant role in shaping the cultural and ethical landscape of India. Elucidate.
- 18. Examine the concept of "sola scriptura" in Protestantism and its significance in interpreting religious doctrine.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10 \text{ weightage})$