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**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2025**

(CBCSS)

Islamic History

ISH 1C 05—CULTURAL HISTORY OF MUSLIM SPAIN AND SICILY

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

*Answers should be written **either** in English **or** Malayalam.***Part A (Short Answers)***Answer any **four** questions in not less than 50 words.**Each question carries 2 weightage.*

1. Musa bin Nusayr.
2. Andalusia.
3. Al Hamra'.
4. Almohads.
5. Aghlabids.
6. Norman Conquest of Sicily.
7. Tabula Rogeriana.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)

Part B (Short Essay)*Answer any **four** questions in not less than 150 words.**Each question carries 3 weightage.*

8. Evaluate how the Battle of Tours affected the expansion of Islam in Western Europe.
9. Assess the establishment of the Umayyad Amirate in Spain.
10. Explain what role did Cordova play as a center of Islamic civilization in Europe.

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11. Highlight the main industries that flourished in Muslim Spain.
12. Outline the role of libraries and Educational institutions in Muslim Spain.
13. Write a note on the Arab influence on architecture in Sicily and southern Italy.
14. Examine the rise and decline of the Sicilian Amirate and its contributions to the cultural heritage of Sicily.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

Part C (Long Essay)

*Answer any **two** questions in not less than 450 words.*

Each question carries 5 weightage.

15. Describe the causes, course, and results of the Arab conquest of Spain.
16. Trace the rise and fall of the Murabits and evaluate its role in defending Islamic Spain.
17. Discuss the Arab contributions to language, literature, and education in Muslim Spain.
18. Analyze Frederick II's patronage of Arab scholars and his role in spreading Arab knowledge in Europe.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)