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Pearson Edexcel Level 3 GCE

Friday 9 June 2023

Morning (Time: 1 hour)

Paper reference **8RS0/4A**

Religious Studies

Advanced Subsidiary

PAPER 4: Study of Religion

Option 4A: Buddhism

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- There are **two** sections in this question paper. Answer **all** the questions in each section.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 54.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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1 Explore the key teachings of the Three-fold Way.

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2 Assess the importance of the distinctive practices of Theravada Buddhism.

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3 Assess the importance of meditation as part of the Noble Eightfold Path.

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(Total for Question 3 = 9 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 26 MARKS



(b) Analyse the significance of the Abhidhamma Pitaka for understanding the teachings of the Buddha.

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TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 28 MARKS
TOTAL FOR PAPER = 54 MARKS



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