

# Centre for the Promotion of Knowledge and Language Learning Semester I, 2016/2017 Academic Session

# **Examination Question Paper**

Course Code: PG 2104

Course Name: Islamic History and Civilization

Course Level: First Degree

Time: Three Hours

## Note:

Answer Four Questions only

#### بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

#### Section A: Islamic History

#### Question 1 (15 Marks)

At Makkah the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) succeeded in forming a Muslim community. Discuss what were the steps and measures taken by the Prophet to achieve the aim.

#### Question 2 (15 Marks)

Describe the principle of tolerance implemented by the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) at Madinah where he established an Islamic state.

## **Question 3** (15 Marks)

Trace and explain history of relationship between the Portuguese representing the Christian West and the Muslim world.

#### Section B: Islamic Civilization

#### **Question 4** (15 Marks)

The word "civilization" is closely associated with the city-life and urbanization. What does it mean by a city and urbanization? Are there any different opinion between the Muslim and non-Muslim scholars in this matter? Why?

#### **Question 5** (15 Marks)

Besides urbanization, artistic and intellectual development, a society needs sound ethical norms and virtues in order to attain civilization. How the Holy Qur'an defines ethics and virtue? Give some examples of Islamic ethics and virtues.

### Question 6 (15 Marks)

Discuss the institution of Bayt al-Hikmah (the House of Wisdom) and its role in the development of Islamic civilization. Give some examples of Muslim scholars produced by the House of Wisdom.

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