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**Time: 2hrs**

**Maximum Marks: 70**

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1. Candidate should write their Hall Ticket number and OMR number on the space provided above. Candidate should not write their Hall Ticket and OMR number at any other place.
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5. There are no Negative marks.
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## Part-A

### Section I: Research Methodology

1. What is the main objective of research?
  - (A) To criticize previous research
  - (B) To identify new dimensions of research
  - (C) To collect and compile material
  - (D) To add something new to knowledge
2. Which of the following libraries is well-known for Islamic Studies?
  - (A) Jamia Millia Islamia Library, Delhi
  - (B) Asafia Library, Hyderabad
  - (C) Ameen-ud-Daula Library, Lucknow
  - (D) Syed Hamid Library, Hyderabad
3. Supporting one's idea in a logical and reasoned manner in research is called:
 

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| (A) High-quality research   | (B) Acceptable research |
| (C) Requirement of research | (D) Against research    |
4. Where should references be included in a research thesis?
 

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| (A) At the end of the thesis   | (B) At the end of each chapter   |
| (C) At the bottom of each page | (D) All of the above are correct |
5. Which of the following is considered research?
 

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| (A) Publishing a book | (B) Compiling a book |
| (C) Writing a book    | (D) None of these    |
6. What is the usual nature of research in Islamic Studies?
 

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| (A) Historical and analytical   | (B) Field-based and practical |
| (C) Compilation and arrangement | (D) Revision and correction   |
7. Which one is the oldest department of Islamic Studies in India?
  - (A) Department in Osmania University
  - (B) Department in Aligarh Muslim University
  - (C) Department in Kashmir University
  - (D) Department in Jamia Millia Islamia

8. In social sciences, research requires:
- (A) Supporting a theory with arguments
  - (B) Refuting a theory with arguments
  - (C) Creating a new theory
  - (D) Providing the best analysis of a theory
9. What is the status of footnotes and references in research?
- (A) Not necessary
  - (B) Sometimes necessary
  - (C) Essential and compulsory
  - (D) Optional
10. In the study of a historical event, which source is primary?
- i. A reliable book written later
  - ii. A modern research study
  - iii. A contemporary document of the event
  - iv. Statement of the person involved
- (A) i, ii
  - (B) iii, iv
  - (C) Only iii
  - (D) Only iv
11. Which statement is correct?
- (A) Research proves hypotheses
  - (B) Testing hypotheses is the result of research
  - (C) Hypotheses have no relation with research
  - (D) Research rejects hypotheses
12. Evaluating a theory in research is called:
- (A) Quantitative research
  - (B) Qualitative research
  - (C) Historical research
  - (D) Analytical research
13. Identify the correct statement:
- (A) Sufism did not exist in early Islam
  - (B) Philosophy is imported into Islam
  - (C) Asma al-Rijal is a subject of Hadith science
  - (D) All are correct
14. Which statement is NOT correct?
- (A) There is a strong need for research in Islamic Studies
  - (B) Western scholars have done much research in Islamic Studies
  - (C) Muslims have done sufficient research in Islamic Studies
  - (D) Research in Islamic Studies is a demand of the time

15. Which is correct?  
 (A) Hadith is the explanation of Qur'an  
 (B) Ijtihad is based on the Qur'an  
 (C) Qur'an is the text of Hadith  
 (D) All are correct
16. Which statement is correct?  
 (A) Muslim society fully focuses on research  
 (B) Research in Islamic Studies is no longer needed  
 (C) Research quality in Islamic Studies in Indian universities is satisfactory  
 (D) Research in Islamic Studies is essential for intellectual progress
17. What is the importance of bibliography in research?  
 (A) Optional (B) Not necessary  
 (C) Essential and compulsory (D) Sometimes necessary
18. If a researcher disagrees with an author, what should he does?  
 (A) Avoid using that author  
 (B) Avoid citing that author  
 (C) Mention disagreement respectfully  
 (D) All of these
19. The famous Munshi Nawal Kishore Press was established in:  
 (A) Lahore (B) Delhi (C) Lucknow (D) Bombay
20. Identify the odd pair:  
 (A) Islamic Studies – Orientalists  
 (B) Abdul Qadir Jilani – Islamic jurisprudence  
 (C) Baba Farid – Sikhism  
 (D) Philosophy – Bahrain
21. Which statement is NOT correct?  
 (A) The revelation order of the Qur'an differs from the present order  
 (B) Qur'an is authentic but Hadith is not  
 (C) Division into paras and Rukus came later  
 (D) Translation of Qur'an is separate from Qur'an

22. Which statement is correct?

- (A) Fiqh books were written before Hadith books
- (B) Hadith books were written before Fiqh books
- (C) Hadith scholars wrote Fiqh books
- (D) Fiqh books were written after schools of law

23. Identify the correct pairs:

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| 1. Abu Mansur al-Maturidi    | a. <i>Maqalat al-Islamiyyin</i>   |
| 2. Abu al-Hasan al-Ash'ari   | b. <i>Kitab al-Maqalat</i>        |
| 3. Imam Fakhr al-Din al-Razi | c. <i>Al-Munqidh min al-Dalal</i> |
| 4. Imam al-Ghazali           | d. <i>Al-Matalib al-'Aliyah</i>   |

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| (A) 1-b, 2-a, 4-c, 3-d | (B) 1-a, 2-c, 3-b, 4-d |
| (C) 1-a, 2-b, 3-c, 4-d | (D) 1-d, 2-c, 3-b, 4-a |

24. The most useful method for solving modern issues in Fiqh:

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| (A) Collective Ijtihad | (B) Ijtihad within a school of thought |
| (C) Comparative Fiqh   | (D) None of the above                  |

25. Which statement is correct?

- (A) Fiqh is separate from Qur'an
- (B) Islamic law is a rigid law
- (C) Qur'an is incomplete without Hadith
- (D) Qur'an alone is sufficient

## Section-II: Islamic Studies

26. Who first edited and published *Al-Isabah fi Tamyiz al-Sahabah*?

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| (A) Goldziher | (B) Schacht        |
| (C) Springer  | (D) Arthur Jeffery |

27. Sultan Jahan Begum ruled which state?

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| (A) Rampur | (B) Bijapur | (C) Awadh | (D) Bhopal |
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28. "Rise and Fall of Muslims and its Impact on the World" is written by:

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| (A) Ali Miyan Nadwi     | (B) Shibli Nomani   |
| (C) Sir Syed Ahmad Khan | (D) Abul Kalam Azad |

29. Identify the correct order:

- (A) Conquest of Mecca, Battle of Hunayn, Battle of Banu Qurayza, Battle of the Trench
- (B) Battle of the Trench, Battle of Banu Qurayza, Conquest of Mecca, Battle of Hunayn
- (C) Battle of Hunayn, Conquest of Mecca, Battle of Banu Qurayza, Battle of the Trench
- (D) Battle of Banu Qurayza, Battle of the Trench, Battle of Hunayn, Conquest of Mecca

30. Match the correct pairs:

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| i. Abdullah ibn Mas'ud      | a. Lawful and Unlawful (Halal and Haram) |
| ii. Mu'adh ibn Jabal        | b. Recitation of the Qur'an              |
| iii. Hudhayfah ibn al-Yaman | c. Justice and Judiciary                 |
| iv. Ali ibn Abi Talib       | d. Confidential/Secret matters           |
| (A) i-b, iii-d              | (B) i-a, iii-d                           |
| (C) ii-b, iii-c             | (D) ii-c, iv-d                           |

31. Which statement is NOT correct?

- (A) Imam Muhammad was a student of Imam Malik
- (B) Imam Ahmad was a student of Imam Shafi'i
- (C) Imam Muhammad was a student of Imam Abu Hanifa
- (D) Imam Ahmad was a student of Imam Malik

32. Which journal was NOT Issued by Maulana Azad?

- (A) Al-Hilal
- (B) Al-Balagh
- (C) Al-Misbah
- (D) Al-Tazkirah

33. Who wrote *Tarikh-i-Firoz Shahi*?

- (A) Siraj Afif
- (B) Firoz Shah
- (C) Tatar Khan
- (D) Minhaj Siraj

34. Ibn Battuta came to India during whose reign?

- (A) Qutbuddin Aibak
- (B) Iltutmish
- (C) Alauddin Khalji
- (D) Muhammad bin Tughlaq

35. Sheikh Ahmad Sirhindi was imprisoned by:  
 (A) Akbar (B) Jahangir  
 (C) Shah Jahan (D) None of the above
36. Which book is written by Harith al-Muhasibi?  
 (A) Adab al-Muridin (B) Ghunyat al-Talibin  
 (C) Hadiyat al-Arifin (D) Risalat al-Mustarshidin
37. *Madhahib al-Tafsir al-Islami* is written by:  
 (A) Schacht (B) Goldziher  
 (C) Noldeke (D) Arthur Jeffery
38. According to Shah Waliullah, how many themes does the Qur'an have?  
 (A) Six (B) Four (C) Five (D) Seven
39. Which statement is NOT correct?  
 (A) Hadith writing began in the Prophet's time  
 (B) Compilation of Hadith occurred in Tabi'in period  
 (C) Chains of narration (Isnad) began in Sahaba period  
 (D) Narration of Hadith began in Sahaba period
40. Khwaja Gesu Daraz wrote a Persian commentary on:  
 (A) Al-Ri'ayah Le Hoqooq Allah (B) Risala Qushayriya  
 (C) Ihya Ulum al-Din (D) Futuh al-Ghaib
41. The Sanusi movement started in:  
 (A) Libya (B) Morocco (C) Sudan (D) Egypt
42. Sheikh Badiuzzaman founded which movement?  
 (A) Nahda movement (B) Nursi movement  
 (C) Sanusi movement (D) Tijani movement
43. Muslim Brotherhood was founded in:  
 (A) 1900 (B) 1918 (C) 1928 (D) 1925
44. European Council for Fatwa headquarter is in:  
 (A) Ireland (B) UK (C) Germany (D) France

45. Which is a major scientific and cultural organization in Muslim world?

- (A) Rabita al-Alam al-Islami (B) OIC  
(C) ISESCO (D) IIIT

46. Ja'fari Fiqh is attributed to which Imam?

- (A) Fifth Imam (B) Sixth Imam  
(C) Third Imam (D) Seventh Imam

47. *Shara'i al-Islam* belongs to:

- (A) Ja'fari Fiqh (B) Ibadi Fiqh  
(C) Hanbali Fiqh (D) Maliki Fiqh

48. *Al-Musawwa* (commentary on Muwatta) is written by:

- (A) Shah Waliullah (B) Shah Abdul Aziz  
(C) Abu Yusuf (D) Ibn Sahnun

49. Ibn al-Jawzi belonged to:

- (A) Kufa (B) Syria (C) Baghdad (D) Basra

50. Which one is correct chronological order:

- I. Ibn al-Jawzi, Izz al-Din, Ahmad Sirhindi, Waliullah  
II. Izz al-Din, Ibn al-Jawzi, Ahmad Sirhindi, Waliullah  
III. Ahmad Sirhindi, Izz al-Din, Ibn al-Jawzi, Waliullah  
IV. Waliullah, Izz al-Din, Ibn al-Jawzi, Ahmad Sirhindi

- (A) I (B) II (C) III (D) IV



### **Part-B: Descriptive Questions**

**Answer all four questions**

**(4 × 5 = 20 marks)**

#### **Research Methodology**

1. Write a note on Importance of research objectives and review of literature
2. Discuss the different methods of referencing and format of bibliography

#### **Islamic Studies**

3. Write a critical analysis of current research and publication in Islamic Studies
4. Evaluate the compilation of Hadith through different periods.

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