

Weaknesses

Many candidates failed to answer the question as it was asked i.e answer part (i) and then part (ii). Instead they mixed the points. This shows that candidates lacked the skills to synthesise. In other cases candidates came up with only a few points which shows inadequate coverage of this aspect of the sub-topic.

Expected Responses

i) Religious Values of Payers

- i) One is rewarded by Allah.
- ii) One fulfils a pillar of religion through performance of prayers.
- iii) It will be the first to be questioned on during the Last Day. The Prophet said, "prayer is one first thing that one will be questioned about on the Day of Judgment".
- iv) One develops a sense of loyalty to Allah when he stops whatever he is doing when hearing the call for prayers/enhances faith in Allah.
- v) Through prayers, a Muslim realizes the great truth of divine existence within his heart.
- vi) Source of inner peace and tranquility.

ii) Social Values of Prayers

- i) Prayer is a source of happiness and peace.
- ii) Keeps a person away from evil deeds.
- iii) One attains high degree of moral perfection.
- iv) Brings equality/unity of all human beings, no difference in race, colour or nationality. All pray to one God in the same way.
- v) One keeps clean the whole day, for he performs ablution 5 times a day.
- vi) Makes Muslims to use time conscientiously; for every prayer has its specific time/instills punctuality (Q4:103).
- vii) Prayers is enjoined on the believers at fixed hours.
- viii) Instills discipline.
- ix) Instills humility

Question 6 (b)

Explain the significance of the Madinan Constitution.

(9 marks)

The question expected the candidates to explain the significance of the Madinan Constitution. Candidates needed to know the terms of the Madinan Constitution to be able to explain its significance.