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#### **FOREWORD**

This report on the Candidates Item Reponse on the 2023 Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (ACSEE) for the Islamic Knowledge subject has been prepared by the National Examination Council of Tanzania (NECTA). The aim of the report is to provide feedback to different education stakeholders including students, teachers, parents, policy makers and the public in general on the performance of candidates and the extent to which the instructional goals and objectives/competences were met.

The analysis shows that, general performance of the candidates in ACSEE 2023 for this subject was average (53.1%) where by 5 topics had good performance, 7 topics had average performance and 3 topics had weak performance out of 15 topics examined.

Factors that have contributed to the candidates' ability to answer the examination questions correctly and score high marks include the ability to understand the demands of the questions, having basic knowledge of the subject matter, mastering of English Language and essay writing skills. The candidates who scored low marks had contrary attributes. In this report, the analysis of each question has been done and different information has been shown by figures and graphs.

The Council believes that this report will stimulate various stakeholders to take the measures required to enable an effective teaching and learning processes in order to improve candidates' performance in the future examination administered by the council.

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report analyses the performance of candidates in Islamic Knowledge for the Advanced Certificate of Secondary Examination (ACSEE) 2023. The Islamic Knowledge examination had 2 papers namely; 1 and 2. Each paper consisted of two sections; A and B, with six and three questions respectively. The candidates were required to answer all questions from section A and two questions from section B. Each question in section A carried 10 marks while each question in section B carried 20 marks.

A total of 540 candidates were registered for 2023 examination, among them 517 sat for this examination. This is a decrease of 150 candidates compared to 667 candidates who sat for ACSEE examination 2022. The ACSEE 2023 Islamic Knowledge performance shows that, 67.89 per cent of the candidates passed. This performance has increased by 2.07 per cent compared to that of 2022 in which, 65.82 per cent of the candidates passed. The results showed that 351 candidates passed with the following grades; grade B 6 (1.71%), grade C 38 (10.83%), grade D 108 (30.77%), grade E 133 (37.89%) and grade S 66 (18.80%). A total of 166 candidates performed weakly by obtaining grade F.

The report provides feedback to stakeholders on the performance of candidates by stating candidates' strengths and weaknesses in responding to the questions. In analysing the candidates' performance in each question, the performance was graded as good, average and weak. The pass rate of each question was 35 per cent and above the marks allocated to the question. The candidates who scored an average of 60 to 100 per cent fall under good category, those who scored from 35 to 59 per cent fall under an average category while those who scored from 0 to 34 per cent fall under the weak category. The candidates' performance has been summarised in the Appendix I whereby green colour represents good performance while yellow and red colours imply average and weak performances respectively.

An analysis of individual question is also presented. The presentation highlights the requirements of each question, the way the candidates attempted them and analysis of responses. Extract for both good and weak responses from candidates' scripts have been inserted to exemplify the cases presented.

### 2.0 ANALYSIS OF PERFORMANCE OF CANDIDATES IN EACH QUESTION IN PAPER 1

This was a three hours paper and consisted of Sections A and B with a total of nine (9) questions. Section A consisted of six (6) short answer questions and carried 60 marks while section B consisted of three essay questions and carried 40 marks. The candidates were required to answer eight (8) questions, making a total of 100 marks.

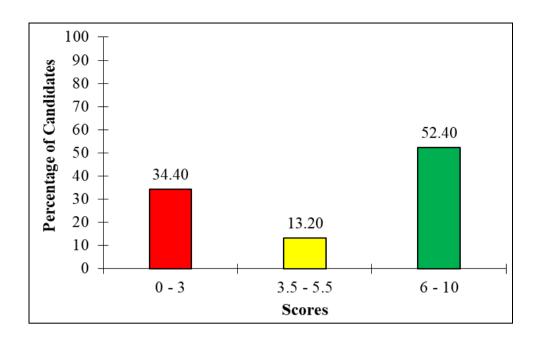
#### 2.1 SECTION A: SHORT ANSWER

This section analyses the performance of candidates in each question. It shows the number of candidates who attempted each question and explains the quality of their responses. In this section, the candidates were supposed to answer all six (6) questions briefly. The questions were set to measure candidates' competences abilities such as understanding, applying, analysing and evaluating. Each question in this section carries 10 marks, making a total of 60 marks.

#### 2.1.1 Question 1: Qur'anic Concept of Religion

The candidates were required to criticize the view of some contemporary Marxists scholars who believe that a religion is not of the necessity and man can live without religion. This question was derived from the topic *Our'anic Concept of Religion* in the subtopic *Necessity of Religion to Man*.

The question was attempted by 517 (100%) candidates. The candidates who scored 6 to 10 marks were 271 (52.4%). Also, 68 (13.2%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 178 (34.4%) candidates scored 0 to 3 marks of which, 76 (14.7%) candidates scored 0 mark. Figure 1 illustrates the performance of candidates in this question.



**Figure 1:** Performance of Candidates on Question 1

General performance in this question was good as 339 (65.6%) candidates scored above 3 marks. Analysis of candidates' answers revealed that 271 (52.4%) candidates scored from 6 to 9.5 marks which is good performance. These candidates were able to criticize the view of some contemporary Marxists scholars who believe that religion is not of the necessity and man can do without it. They explained in Islamic point of view the reasons which show that man cannot live without religion even a fraction of a second. Some of the reasons explained by these candidates were: meaning of religion, religion is innate in man, human nature, real needs of man as well as high degree of concisousness in man compared with the rest of creation. Through these answers, it is evident that these candidates had relevant knowledge concerning Qur'anic Concept of Religion. Not only that, but also these candidates showed their English Language ability since they wrote gramatical accurate and meaningful sentences. Extract 1.1 is a sample of a correct response from a script of a candidate.

1. (i) The meaning of religion itself.
This is the way of life that a man homself chooses
to follow, so abruptly a man cannot live without,
religion because it is the way he lives in personal
and in community by conducting deflerent roles.
(ii) Religion is invate to man.
A man cannot live without religion because it is
natural inform within man himself that everything
he does is according to the religious conduct and
even if he triel to live without it but he cannot
at the end is that religion guides a man.
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(iii) The real needs of man.
A man has many things that he she needs so that
to satisfy his life but those needs of man are
within the religion example when a person needs some
thing he she will take Good a ask him to grant
This wishes also it a parson to a sollar land
want help from Good this proves that only religion
satisty human need.
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(iv) The high degree of Intelligence the a man is
created with.
The man is the most intelligent person than any
other creature on earth and this is a trid reward
to man and due to this Intelligency the mans
thoughts always go back to the creater meaning
that man without religion is nothing.

**Extract 1.1:** A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 1

Extract 1.1 is a sample of correct responses from a candidate who criticized the view of some contemporary Marxists scholars who believe that religion is not of the necessity and man can do without it.

Furthermore, 68 (13.2%) candidates scored averarge marks (3 to 6 marks) because they mixed correct and incorrect responses. For example, one candidate explained that; process of production in man as well as man's mind is limited in thinking. Some candidates had average score due to insufficient responses, inproficiency Language and few of them explained two or three points out of the required number. So far, some of the candidates repeated the same points in different paragraphs.

On the other hand, some candidates performed weakly in this question. It's evidenced by the fact that, 178 (34.4%) candidates scored below 3.5 of which, some of them scored 0 mark. These candidates did not understand the demand of the question. Instead of criticizing the view of contemporary Marxists scholars who believe that religion is not of the necessity and man can live without religion, they came up with wrong responses. Some of them explained positive roles of religion by explaining benefits which man get by following certain belief. Among the answers given were; from the religion it helps the people to change the behaviour from bad behaviour to good behaviour, through religion it may lead to have peace and unity, through religion it promotes education as well as through religion it promotes equality and make the believers fulfill submission of Allah (s.w). Other candidates explained how religion is helpful in assisting man to achieve his goals. For example, one candidate responded that; religion helps man to accomplish his needs, religion helps man to practice good morals, religion helps man to build faith with his Lord and religion helps man to know his religion very well.

Other candidates elaborated negative roles of religion to man. These candidates confused the term necessity by thinking that the question required them to provide the roles of religion. For example, one candidate provided points such as: *Religion is exploitative in nature, religion is the source of slave as existed, religion is the source of classes and also religion is the source of laziness*. The candidate didn't concentrate on the word criticize which is the key part of the question.

In addition, some of the candidates explained the purpose of creation of man according to secular and moral philosophers. They mixed between reasons for existence of religion and the purpose of creation according to secular and moral philosophers which are contrary to the requirement of the question. Some of the responses were: Existence of religion for self actualization, existence of religion for satisfaction of sexual desire as well as existence of religion for happiness

Other candidates elaborated the reasons that man can not formulate the way of life which is suitable to the needs of human being. For example, one candidate explained that; He is affected by arrogance, he is affected by his sensory organs, he is affected by environment and he is comtrolled by his emotional ideas.

Some of candidates provided the weaknesses of man-made religion such as: some of the religions are not open to the reason, some of religious they contradict itself as wel as some of the religion are not proper way of life.

Moreover, other candidates explained the misconception of conceptualization of religion according to disbelievers. Some of them argued that: Marx believe religions comes from human activities in life, marx believe that religion is exploitative and oppressive, marxist belive that religion is only performed religious rituals as wel as marxist belive that religious is the way only belive of super natural power and existence of God. They provided such responses due to misinterpretation of the requirement of the question. However, these answers were wrong as they did not meet the demand of the question.

Nevertheless, some candidates in this group provided different responses contrary to the demanded answers. For example, one candidate responded as; Materialists suggest that man is an isolated creatures and can decide on what to do in the entire life no one to interfere while Islamic point of view suggest that man is not isolated creature, Materialist put forward that islamic religion does not satisfy human kind while islamic point of view give that islam is the complete way of life, materialist teaching suggest that there is no judgment or resurrection day that everyone will be paid while islamic view insists the existence of days. Extract 1.2 is a sample of incorrect response from a script of a candidate.

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Extract 1.2: A Sample of Incorrect Response to Question 1

In extract 1.2 the candidate explained the functions of religion according to the Materialistic point of view instead of criticizing the view of some contemporary Marxists scholars who believed that religion is not of the necessity and man can do without it.

#### 2.1.2 Question 2: The Teachings of Selected Verses

The candidates were required to explain briefly the responsibilities of believers as stipulated in Suratul Al-Imran (3:100-120). The question derived from the topic The *Teachings of Selected Verses* in subtopic *Themes of Selected Verses*.

The question was attempted by 517 (100%) candidates. The candidates who scored 6 to 9.5 marks were 90 (17.4%). Also, 190 (36.8%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 237 (45.8%) candidates scored 0 to 3 marks of which, 53 (10.3%) candidates scored 0 mark. Figure 2 illustrates the performance of candidates in this question.

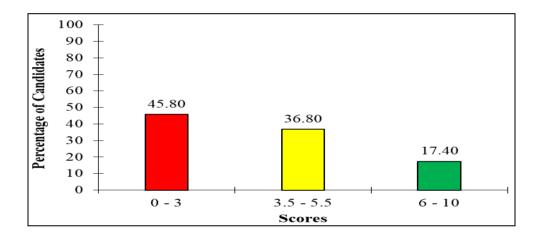


Figure 2: Performance of Candidates on Question 2

The general performance of candidates in this question was average as 280 (54.2%) candidates scored above 3 marks. The 90 (17.4%) candidates who scored 6 to 9.5 marks in this question understood the demand of the question and had enough knowledge of Teachings of Selected Verses. These candidates with good performance were able to explain briefly the responsibilities of believers as stipulated in Suratul Al-Imran (3:100-120). Answers provided by these candidates were; to invite people into good deeds, to enjoin good deeds, to forbid evils, to believe on Allah (s.w), to disobey disbelievers in Allah's prohibition, to fear Allah (s.w), to promote unit and solidarity as well as to avoid friendship with disbelievers in religious matters. These candidates proved to have knowledge of responsibilities of believers as stipulated in suratul Al-Imran (3:100-120). Also, they showed their competence in English Language as they were able

to construct meaningful sentences. Extract 2.1 is a sample of a correct response from a script of a candidate.

2.	Allah (siw) created two kinds of people according to koran "He is the one who had created you, and amongst you believers and amongst you the denier ? . march (Quitan) The so stated
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	you believers and amongst you the
	denier ? march (Qurlan) The so stated
	believers have number of duties amongse them are stipulated on surated in zn
	Them are stipulated on suratul inion
	(3:100 - 120)
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	"And from you should be a group "-(3:107).
	mustims especially believes are commanded
	to create a strong group of awared people
	who knows the aim of their aim of creation. which will be ambassadors.
	creation. which will be ambascadors.
	(viagents) of Allah in the earth.
	in to call people to islam.
	Allah demands that the formulated
	group should call people to islam by
	using number of trate gred strategres
-	Allah demands that the formulated group should call people to islam by using number of strate great shategies when he says -"- ewhich calls people to the kneyr (goods) (3:107).
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	in to enjoin doing good deeds.
	- Amongst the duties of believers is to
	make sure that they enjoin one another
	in their communities to do good
	deeds all of what pleases Allah
	C )
	(G, w).
	(y) To forbid doing what is sinful and
	by To forbid doing what is sinful and
	evil. "You are the best of people arose of from people yo forbid what is sinful (3:110).
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	from people vo forbid what is sinful
	(2116)
	(3:16).
	Amongst the duties of the believers and
	the group which was formulated for the
	the group which was formulated for the aim of establishment of kingdom of allah (Jim) as shoulated on verse
	Allah (sim) as shoulated on verse
	op 107 and 110 is moventing people
	no 107 and 110 is preventing people from doing filthy and evil doings.

**Extract 2.1:** A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 2

In extract 2.1 the candidate correctly explained briefly the responsibilities of believers as stipulated in suratul Al-Imran (3:100-120).

Moreover, 190 (36.8%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks because of mixing correct and incorrect responsibilities. Some of the incorrect responses provided were: *Glorify Allah (s.w) and to purify garments and soul*.

More analysis shows that, 237 (45.8%) candidates who scored low marks, some of them, misinterpreted the question and therefore provided different responses. Others elaborated the articles of faith of Islam. For example, one candidate argued that; believers should be responsible about presence of angels; believer should be responsible on believing book of Allah as well as believers should be responsible on believing day of judgement. The candidate provided such answers due to their failure to differentiate between the responsibilities of believers and features of believers. In this group also there were candidates who had English language barriers as well as insufficient knowledge on the topic Teachings of Selected Verses.

Also, some candidates elaborated five pillars of Islam. For example, one candidate explained with points such as; to perform congregational prayers, to pay zakat, pilgrimage to Mecca as well as fasting. This shows that, the candidate had knowledge of pillars of Islam, hence he/she mixed between pillars of Islam and responsibilities of believers as required in the particular question. Generally, the candidates in this category lacked knowledge on the topic Teachings of Selected Verses as a result, they failed to meet the demands of the question.

Others elaborated the responsibilities of believers from other chapters apart from the required suratul Al- Imran (100:120). For example, one candidate explained with points such as; to fight for the sake of Allah (s. w), to depend on Allah (s. w), to be patient as well as to do the things that saying. This candidate had no knowledge on the respected chapter. That is why they provided responses which contradicted the demand of the question.

Nevertheless, other candidates in this category provided verses from different chapters. For example, one candidate responded that; believers are not participating any kind of shirk, believers are participating and stand prayer for everyday, believers are live in Islamic religion in their life as

well as believers are not worshiping anything than Allah (s.w). The candidates lacked knowledge of *Teachings of Selected Verses*. They provided guesed answers only, which resulted to weak performance (0 to 3.5 marks). Extract 2.2 is a sample of a response from a candidate who responded incorrectly in this question.

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their senspirabilities as what spiralated on to
Gerahul Al- Invani.
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renspirais of the believer becomes it man pay
renjansis of the believer because it man pay Tolk kat they Copy faulitate to hum to hand the
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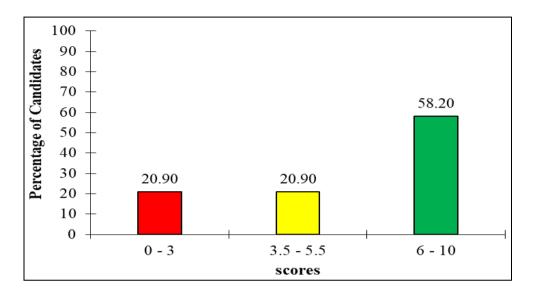
Extract 2.2: A Sample of an Incorrect Response to Question 2

In extract 2.2 a candidate provided sign from the universe which depict existence of Allah instead of briefly explaining the responsibilities of believers as stipulated in Suratul Al-Imran (3:100-120).

#### 2.1.3 Question 3: The Authenticity of the Holy Qur'an

The candidates were required to briefly reveal the evidences from within the Qur'an to convince the world that it is the book of Allah (s.w). The question came from the topic *The Authenticity of the Holy Qur'an* in the subtopic *Critical Review on the Theories on the Authorship of Qur'an*.

The question was attempted by 517 (100%) candidates who sat for this examination. Out of which 301 (58.2%) candidates scored 6 to 10 marks. Also 108 (20.9%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 108 (20.9%) candidates scored 0 to 3 marks of which, 40 (7.7%) candidates scored 0 mark. Figure 3 depicts the performance of candidates in this question.



**Figure 3:** Performance of Candidates in Question 3

The general performance of candidates in this question was good as 409 (79.1%) candidates scored above 3 marks. The analysis of candidates' answers in this question revealed that, 301 (58.2%) candidates scored 6 to 10 marks which is good performance. These candidates understood the requirement of the question and had mastered the topic the *Authenticity of the Holy Qur'an*. They managed to briefly reveal the evidences from within the Qur'an to convince the world that it is the book of Allah (s.w). some of the responses given by these candidates were: *Qur'an itself declare that is the word of Allah (s.w), the prophecies mentioned in the Qur'an, it was revealed in peace meal, challenges given to man kind, the Prophet Muhammad (s.a.w) was unlettered, the Qur'an points out the mistake of Prophet (s.a.w), attitude of Prophet towards revelation, arrangement of the holly Qur'an as well as the message of Qur'anic attraction. Extract 3.1 is a sample of response from a script of a candidate who answered correctly in this question.* 

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Dow'an itself doctares is the wort word of Allah area
This is proud from surabul Ragrah (2:0) that
Queran says, it is the book with no doubts winde it
Honce due to His jactor, Our'an is the book of Atlah Gow
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(23) yoar.
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through Irbart and for the period of the 23 yours for the
purpose of guiding people. So due to this reason,
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though he is not advanted. Hence this created for him chance
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**Extract 3.1:** A Sample of Correct Response to Question 3

In Extract 3.1 the candidate briefly revealed the evidences from within the Qur'an to convince the world it is the book of Allah (s.w).

On the other hand, 108 (20.9%) candidates who scored 3.5 to 6 marks had some knowledge on the *Authenticity of the Holy Qur'an*. However, they failed to give detailed explanations and some of them mixed wrong with correct answers. Some of the wrong answers given by a candidate is: through the suratul mudathir and muzzamil from verse 1 up to verse 6 when Allah (s.w) tells his Prophet to wake up during the midnight and praying to Allah (s.w).

Moreover, the analysis of responses of candidates also revealed that 108 (20.9%) of candidates who responded to the question scored low marks. Some of these candidates provided the arguments which show that Qur'an is the complete book instead of revealing evidences from within the Qur'an to convince the World it is the book of Allah (S.W). For example, one candidate gave the point as: All science is taken from Qur'an, all system of administatrion in the society is taken from the Qur'an, all system of life for Human taking them in the Qur'an and all education of the environment and the things which surrounding are taking from the Qur'an. The candidates in this category thought that the question required them to show the aspects found in the Qur'an which prove its completness. As such they mixed between the proof of Qur'an as the word of Allah and Qur'an as complete book.

Some candidates explained the reasons provided by disbelievers that Muhammad fabricated Qur'an. For example, one candidate provided the points as: *Economic gain, glorification and power, unification of Arabs as well as moral reformation*. In onother example, a candidate provided the use of Qur'an with the points such as: *It is a universal book, it used in Swalaa, it has proper conduct within as well as Qur'an expresses about the real life*.

Others provided the difference between Qur'an with other books instead of briefly revealing the evidences from within the Qur'an to convince the world it is the book of Allah (S.W). For example, one candidate argued that: Qur'an is specific book compared to other books, people can't establish Qur'an but people can establish other books, the language of Qur'an is different to other books as well as Allah promised to protect Qur'an but don't promise other books. This showed that these candidates had knowledge on the topic the Authenticity of the Holy Qur'an but they misunderstood the demands of the question.

Furthermore, some candidates explained different arguments which were contrary to the demands of the questions. For example, one candidate gave argument such as: Existence all over the world, static, to teaching people reality of life as well as system of organization conducted by God's law and regulation. In another example, a candidate provided points such as: The presence of different history in the Qur'an, the presence of different lessons from the Qur'an as well as the completing book, Qur'an is different from other books, Qur'an helps to cure Qur'anic diseases as well as it was sent to Muhammad. These candidates showed that they had no sufficient knowledge on the respective topic which led them to provide wrong responses which contradict the requirements of the question. Extract 3.2 is a sample of script of a candidate who performed weakly in this question.

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Extract 3.2: A Sample of a Weak Response to Question 3

In Extract 3.2 is a sample of a response from a candidate who explained the theories on the authorship of Qur'an and functions of religion instead of revealing evidences within the Qur'an to convince the world it is the book of Allah (s.w).

#### 2.1.4 Question 4: The Islamic State in Caliphate Era

The question required the candidates to assess briefly leadership behaviours and intergrity of contemporary Muslim leaders by reffering to Caliph Abubakar (r.a). The question came from the topic *The Islamic State in Caliphate Era* in subtopic *Administration, Development and Disintergration of Islamic State*.

The question was attempted by 517 (100%) candidates. The candidates who scored 6 to 10 marks were 84 (16.3%). Also, 178 (34.4%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 255 (49.3%) candidates scored 0 to 3 marks of which, 43 (8.3%) candidates scored 0 mark. Figure 4 illustrates the performance of candidates in this question.

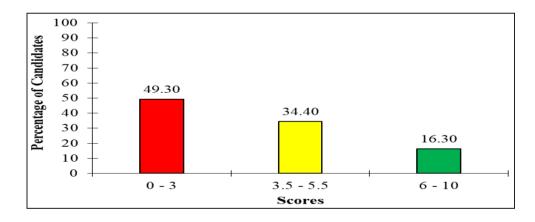


Figure 4: Performance of Candidates on Question 4

The general performance of candidates in this question was average as 262 (50.7%) candidates scored above 3 marks. Analysis of candidates' answers revealed that, 84 (16.3%) candidates scored from 6 to 9.5 marks which is good performance. These candidates were able to meet demand of the questions and had good knowledge of the Islamic State in Caliphate Era because they assessed briefly leadership behaviours and intergrity of contemporary Muslim leaders by reffering to Caliph Abubakar (r.a). Some beahviour and integrity of Abubakar (r.a) explained by these candidates

were: Abubakar had strong utmost faith in Allah (s.w), he never took anything unlawful, he never spoke any obscene language in any situation, he never spoke harsh word to anybody, as well making friendly relationship with all good people was his hobby. These candidates organized their answers well and they had mastered English Language due to logically structured sentences and vivid example provided. Extract 4.1 is a sample of response from a script of a candidate who answered correctly in this question.

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Extract 4.1: A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 4

In Extract 4.1 the candidate assessed briefly four leadership behaviours and intergrity of contemporary Muslim leaders by reffering to Caliph Abubakar (r.a) and therefore, scored high marks.

Further analysis revealed that, 178 (34.4%) candidates with average performance (3.5 to 5.5 marks) mixed right and wrong arguments. Some of them provided unsatisfactory explanations for the rightly mentioned arguments. This situation led them to lose some marks as a result they scored average. For example, some of wrong arguments mixed with right given by one of the candidates were: *To participate into battle as well as to remove and punish those who return into kafir*.

Moreover, 255 (49.3%) candidates performed weakly in this question. Some of them explained features of believers found in different chapters of the Qur'an. For example, one of the candidates provided points such as: struggling and fight against non Muslims, getting pain when others conduct evils, they are faithful and accountability as well as they maintained peace and security. These candidates mixed between the word features and responsilities. Also they had no sufficient knowledge on the beahviour and integrity of Abubakar (a.s) which led them to guess the responses.

Others provided the criteria which made Abubakar (r.a) to be selected as the first Caliph of Islam after demise of the Prophet (S.A.W). One candidate from this category argued that: He was the first Muslim adult to believe message of prophet, he was the Imam of prophet, he was the worship Allah (S.W) and he was nearest the prophet (s.a.w). This candidate had knowledge on the topic concerned but failed to understand the demand of the question.

Some candidates elaborated the general features of a good leader. For example, one of the candidates mentioned; *Strong, patient, hospitality as well as protector*. This candidate had some knowledge on the respective topic but provided the characteristics of any leader while the question needed candidates to explain on Islamic leader and specific to Abubakar (r.a). In this case they failed to relate those features related to him.

Other candidates provided the contributions of Abubakar Siddiq (r.a) to the Islam as the first Caliph contrary to the demand of the question. For example, one of the candidates provided points such as; *He was collected* 

taxes, he was established the defense, he established place for improving the training as well as he established justice. Candidates in this category had some knowledge on the topic *The Islamic State in Caliphate Era* but mixed between the term 'contribution' with the word 'habit' and 'intergrity' of Caliph Abubakar hence provided wrong responses contrary to the needs of the question. Extract 4.2 shows a sample of a script of candidate who had weak response in this question.

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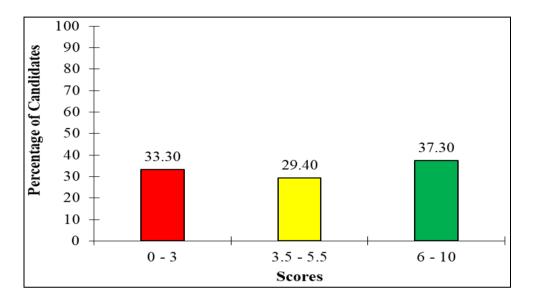
Extract 4.2: A Sample of a Wrong Response to Question 4

In Extract 4.2 the candidate explained qualities of secular leader instead of assessing briefly four leadership behaviours and intergrity of contemporary Muslim leaders by reffering to Caliph Abubakar (r.a).

#### 2.1.5 Question 5: Evolution of Islamic State in Meccan Era

The candidates were required to explain briefly the lessons that can be learnt through the challenges that faced Ammar, Yassir, Summaiyah, Bilal and others from Quraysh disbelievers. The question derived from the topic of Evolution of Islamic State in Meccan Era in subtopic of Islamization Processs in Mecca.

The question was attempted by 517 (100%) candidates who sat for this examination. The analysis shows that, 193 (37.3%) candidates scored 6 to 10 marks. Also 152 (29.4%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 172 (33.3%) candidates scored 0 to 3 marks of which, 58 (11.2%) candidates scored 0 mark. Figure 5 illustrates the performance of candidates in this question.



**Figure 5:** Performance of Candidates on Question 5

The analysis revealed that, the performance of candidates in this question was good. This can be proved by the fact that 345 (66.7%) candidates scored from 3.5 to 10 marks. A thorough analysis of candidates' answers in this question revealed that, 193 (37.3%) candidates who scored from 6 to 10 marks had enough knowledge on the Islamic State in Meccan Era. They were able to explain briefly the lessons that can be learnt through the challenges that faced Ammar, Yassir, Summaiyah, Bilal and others from Quraysh disbelievers. Some of correct responses provided were; *Existence of struggle between islam and anti- Islamic forces to dooms day, paradise can not be realized easily, Muslims faith is to be tested everyday, to struggle anti-religion becomes for Allah alone, patience and perseverance and the true faith is not from the mouth but is within the heart.* Extract 5.1 is a sample of a candidate who answered in accordance with requirements of the questions.

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due to their submissiveness toward Islam. The
following are lessons we get from those
muslims like Ammar, Yasir, Sumauyyah and Bilal:-
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**Extract 5.1:** A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 5

In Extract 5.1 the candidate explained briefly the lessons that can be learnt through the challenges that faced Ammar, Yassir, Summaiyah, Bilal and others from Quraysh disbelievers.

Further analysis shows that, 152 (29.4 %) candidates scored average marks due to mixing up correct and incorrect lessons that can be learnt through the challenges that faced Ammar, Yassir, Summaiyah, Bilal and others from

Quraysh disbelievers. Examples of incorrect responses were: *To follow the commandments of Allah (s.w) and to follow the teachings of the prophet*. Some of them provided unsatisfactory explanations to the correct mentioned criteria.

On the other hand, 172 (33.3%) candidates performed weakly in this question. Among them, 58 (11.2%) scored 0 mark. The candidates in this category did not master well subject matter on the Islamic State in Meccan Era as a result they failed to meet the demand of the question hence, answered wrongly. Some candidates explained the lessons from the major battle fought by the prophet (s.a.w). some of the points provided were: Always those who believes in Allah (s.w) becomes victorious, Allah fulfill his promise according to them facing difficulties in Islamic religion, to maintain unity and solidarity as well as to fight for the sake of Allah (s.w). These candidates failed to realize the demands of the question hence, answered contrary to the requirement of the question. They mixed between the lessons that can be learnt through the challenges that faced Ammar, Yassir, Summaiyah, Bilal and others from Quraysh disbelievers to the lesson obtained from the major battle fought during the time of Prophet (s.a.w).

In addition, some candidates provided articles of faith with the points such as; *Believe in Allah (s.w)*, *believe in revelation*, *believe life after death as well as believe in unseen*. On top of that, some candidates explained the way a believer is supposed to live in daily life. For example, a candidate responded that: *To live in truth and reality, to live in proper conduct, following comprehensive principles as well as to live in universal religion*. These candidates guessed the responses, it indicated that they had no enough knowledge on respective topic.

Also, some candidates provided responses which were not related to the demand of the question. For example, one candidate provided points such as; It teaches us that islam can not stand without many people, it teaches us that Qur'an is book of Allah as well as it teaches us that Allah used to sent prophets. This response indicated that, the candidate lacked sufficient knowledge on the Islamic State in Meccan Era as well as did not understand demands of the question hence provided wrong responses. Extract 5.2 shows a sample of a script of a candidate who failed to meet the demand of the question.

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**Extract 5.2:** A Sample of a Weak Response to Question 5

In Extract 5.2 the candidate explained the conditions which made the early Muslims to face challenges from disbelievers instead of explaining briefly the lessons that can be learnt through the challenges that faced Ammar, Yassir, Summaiyah, Bilal and others from Quraysh disbelievers.

#### 2.1.6 Question 6: The History of Islamic State after Caliphate Era

The candidates were required to justify briefly the administrative structure which reshaped by Umar Abdul Aziz as the Caliph of Islamic state. The question derived from the topic The History of Islamic State after Caliphate Era in subtopic of Revivalist Movements.

The question was attempted by all 517 (100%) candidates who sat for this examination. The performance shows that, 384 (74.6%) candidates scored 0 to 3 marks, among them 215 (41.7%) candidates scored 0 mark. Also 64 (12.4%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 67 (13%) candidates scored 6 to 10 marks. Figure 6 exemplifies the performance of candidates in this question.

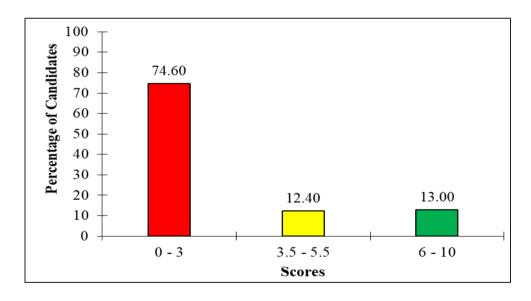


Figure 6: Performance of Candidates on Question 6

The general performance of candidates in this question was weak as only 67 (13%) candidates scored above 3 marks. An analysis of candidates' answers revealed that, 384 (74.6%) candidates who scored 0 to 3 marks did not meet demand of the question. On top of that 215 (41.7%) candidates

scored 0 mark in this question. Some of these candidates provided the political institutions formed by the Prophet (s.a.w) when he arrived at Madinah instead of justifying the reshaped administrative structure and intergrity of contemporary Muslim leaders. Some of the points provided were: Construction of mosque, shurah sytem, formation of Madinah charter, the strengthening of economic system as well as fraternization of Muslim ummah. These candidates lacked knowledge on The Islamic State after Caliphate Era which led to their failure to meet the demand of the question since they responded on the development of Islamic state during prophetic era.

Other candidates in this category contradicted the contribution of Umar Abdulaziz in infrastructures with reshaping administration. For example, candidate wrote: Construction of restaurant, Omar tend to construct the house of court, Omar tend to construct hotel and accommodation place, construction of mosques and madrasa as well as construction of hospital centre. These candidates had knowledge on the topic but they misunderstood the demand of the question a situation which led them to provide responses contrary to the needs of the question. Extract 6.1 shows a sample of a response from a candidate who did not meet the demand of the question.

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Extract 6.1: A Sample of an Incorrect Response on Question 6

In Extract 6.1 the candidate explained tax imposed to the citizens of Islamic state instead of justifying briefly the administrative structure which was reshaped by Umar Abdul Aziz as the Caliph of Islamic state.

Further analysis also showed that, 64 (12.4%) candidates got average performance (from 3.5 to 5.5 marks). They provided unsatisfactory explanations for the correctly mentioned administrative structure initiated by Umar Ibn Abdul-Azizi. Also, some of those candidates mixed up correct and incorrect arguments on administrative structure initiated by Umar Ibn Abdul-Azizi. Some of the incorrect administrative structure given by these candidates were: Caliph Umar Abdul Aziz initiated that first position of leadership is for himself and also A governor after the first position pointed second position to be the governor.

Nevertheless, 67 (13%) candidates scored high marks (6 to 10) in this question. The analysis revealed that, these few candidates understood the requirements of the question, so they were able to justify briefly the administrative structure of Islamic State which was reshaped by Umar Abdul Aziz as the Caliph of Islamic State. Some of correct responses were: He inaugurated his rule with the sale of the horse of the royal stables and the deposited the proceeds the public treasury, he restored to the jews and Christians their synagogues and church which has been unlawful taken away by his predecessors, he abolished the foul and most un Islamic practices of denouncing Ali and his decendants from the members and

mosques, with a warning of stern punishment to those who violate this, he directed all his governors and officers to deal severly with the breach of law, immoral practices and cruel of oppressive acts of injustice, he abolished the illegal taxes,he restored the payment of client soldiers, he inforced the application of ilsmaic shariah in his administration as well as he used the hierarchical sytem of Prophet administration. Extract 6.2 shows a sample from a script of a candidate who attempted the question correctly.

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Extract 6.2: A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 6

In Extract 6.2 the candidate justified briefly the administrative structure which was reshaped by Umar Abdul Aziz as the Caliph of Islamic State and therefore scored high marks.

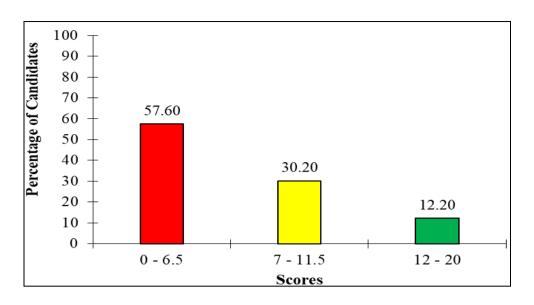
#### 2.2 SECTION B: ESSAY

This section comprised three (3) essay questions. The candidates were required to answer two questions from this section. Each question carried 20 marks, making a total of 40 marks. The questions were set to measure candidates' competences such as applying, analysing, evaluating and creating.

#### 2.2.1 Question 7: Qur'anic Concept of Education

The Question required candidates to explain the impacts of Juma decision of stopping his son to attend Madrasa as wastage of time after joining secondary school to the Muslim community. This question is from the topic Qur'anic Concept of Education in subtopic of Misconception on Education and their Impact.

A total of 514 (99.4%) candidates attempted this question. Among them, 63 (12.2%) candidates scored 12 to 19.5 marks, 155 (30.2%) candidates scored 7 to 11.5 marks and 296 (57.6%) candidates scored 0 to 6.5 marks among which, 47 (9.1%) candidates scored 0 mark. There was no candidate who scored all 20 marks. Figure 7 shows the performance of candidates in this question percentage wise.



**Figure 7:** Performance of Candidates on Question 7

The general performance of candidates in this question was average. This is because 218 (42.4%) candidates scored above 6.5 marks. The analysis on the candidates' responses revealed that, 63 (12.3%) candidates scored 12 to 19.5 marks. These candidates were able to meet the requirement of the question. Also, they mastered well the topic Qur'anic Concept of Education and had English Language proficiency as well. They were able to write a very good essay on the impacts of Juma's decision of stopping his son to attend Madrasa as wastage of time after joining secondary school. Some responses were: It supports the rise of kinship and stagnate the rise of Islamic state, duality in education leads to the rise of two camps those, religion and secular, muslims have remained apathy to culturally, economic, politically and social laws envisaged in Qur'an, the knowledge gathered from religious education system does not make the muslim to be qualified nor critically hence the task of establishing the kingdom of Allah is at stake as well as muslims religious knowledge alone will make insights with the environment. Extract 7.1 is a sample of a right response from a candidate in this question.

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**Extract 7.1:** Shows a Sample of a Correct Response to Question 7

In Extract 7.1 the candidate explained correctly the impacts of Juma's decision of stopping his son to attend Madrasa as wastage of time after joining secondary school to the Muslim community.

Further analysis also revealed that, 155 (30.2%) candidates who performed averagely (7 to11.5 marks) provided less points than required. Some candidates listed points without explanations while some of them repeated differences. Moreover, other mixed correct with incorrect differences. The incorrect responses given by some of these candidates were: *Muslims can not know the sunnah and Hadith which will direct them to know social, political and economic law as explained in Islam as well as generally muslim behaviours should ensure invite disbelievers in Islamic religion in order to strengthen Islamic state.* 

Furthermore, 296 (57.6%) candidates scored weak performance (0 to 6.5 marks) because of the misinterpretation on the demand of the question. Some of them explained the importance of education in accordance with Islam. For example, one candidate argued: *It helps to increase thinking capacity, it helps to increase more knowledge, it helps to increase show on* 

learning, it helps to show the existence of Allah (s.w), education it helps learner o fulfill basic mission of life, it helps learner to know right and wrong, help learner to know life span and life after death, it helps to establish kingdom of Allah, it helps people to know sign of Allah as well as it helps to generate way of life by using Qur'an and sunnah.

Other candidates explained negative effects of Juma's son stopping from attending madrasa. Some of the responses provided were; it leads Muslim acted as bad example to the society, it made juma to depending on one religion, it leads Juma to be affected by globalization, it leads Juma to be creating bad groups as well as emphasizing moral decay. The candidate had knowledge of the topic concerned but failed to understand the demand of the question.

On top of that, other candidates provided their responses contrary to the demand of the question. For example, one candidate gave the points such as: Existence of false religion, emergency of misunderstanding, existance of immoral behaviours as well as misconceptualization of religion. Others explained: Juma did not know the real object of of study or finding the education, the reject the order of Allah (s.w) to find for knowledge, the contribute to drops the isramic state from standing up as well as he failure to know the Allah and religion. Candidates in this category did not familiarize themselves with the topic Qur'anic Concept of Education hence provided wrong responses. Extract 7.2 shows a sample of incorrect responses from a candidate.

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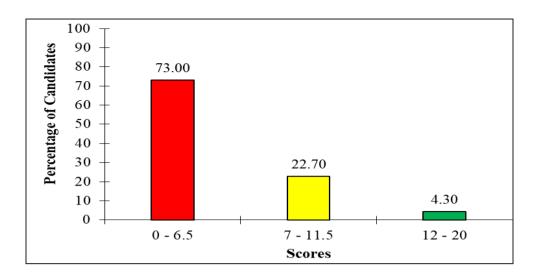
Extract 7.2: A Sample of Incorrect Response to Question 7

In Extract 7.2 the candidate elaborated the impotance of Muslim children to study both eduction (dual education) instead of explaining the impacts of Juma decision of stopping his son to attend Madrasa as wastage of time after joining secondary school to the Muslim community.

## 2.2.2 Question 8: The History of Universe and Mankind

The candidates were required to use Qur'anic verses to prove that man did not originate from apes. The Question was extracted from *The History of Universe and Man kind* in the subtopic *The Origin of Universe and Mankind*.

A total of 211 (40.8%) candidates attempted the question. Among them, 154 (73%) candidates scored 0 to 6.5 marks among which, 44 (20.9%) candidates scored 0 mark. Also, 48 (22.7%) candidates scored 7 to 11 marks and 9 (4.3%) candidates scored 12 to 17 marks. There was no candidate who scored all 20 marks. Figure 8 shows the performance of candidates in this question percentage wise.



**Figure 8:** Performance of Candidates on Question 8

The performance of candidates in this question was weak as 57 (27%) candidates scored from 7 to 17 marks. The analysis revealed that 154 (73%) candidates who scored 0 to 6.5 misinterpreted the question which led them to provide wrong responses. Some of them had no enough knowledge of *The History of Universe and Mankind* and they failed to meet the demands of the question.

There were candidates who provided signs for existence of Allah (s.w) through man himself with the points such as: The act of speech of man, the high degree of intelligence of man, creation of man with different height as well as differences in colour. These candidates misunderstood the term 'prove' as it has been used in the question so they explained effects, instead of giving reasons to justify the argument that man did not originate from monkeys. They thought that the term 'effect' and 'prove' were similar. This misunderstanding, led them to go out of the question demand.

Moreover, some candidates provided differences between Human beings and animals. For example, one candidate responded with the points such as: different skills, ability to think, the shape of man is quite different from that of monkey, ability of man categorizes time, place and different tasks to perform as well as they differ on body and structure. Other candidates provided arguments not related to the demand of the question. For example, one candidate responded with the points such as: man has to search for knowledge, has to worship Allah, man can establish the Islamic state, man

has to believe in Prophet and his angels as well as man has to fear on evils and feel pain to his society and companions. The wrong responses provided was due to the lack of knowledge of The History of Universe and Mankind. Extract 8.1 is an example of weak response of a candidate in this question.

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	their partiner bans. Man did not orignated
	From menkey for The following points.
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	Is the one eindence that laught people about
	the original of first man who is Adam
	he credied by god through soil and then
	gues power of man.
	Existence of day of judgement.
	Existence & day & judgement, also this day can tell the original & man
	from stlatis sand or soil and not monkey
	because gods Creates man and angels to
	be proved of him so good original of man
	was not existed by monkey.
	in their holy book our an he & Creates
	in Their holy book our an he creates
	man and angels to prayed for with so
	it is chear message to prove the original
	of man cames from the soil.
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	holy book of god proved that the Firstly man
	was orignated by soil and not monkey
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	et is clear words to prove Firstly man
	was originated by sand.
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Therefore through the existence of
god, his propriet ruchammad and existence
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and not monkey,

Extract 8.1: A Sample of Incorrect Response to Question 8.

In Extract 8.1 a candidate provided wrong reasons to prove that man did not originate from monkeys.

The analysis also showed that 48 (22.7%) candidates performed averagely by scoring 7 to 11 marks. These candidates provide insufficient explanation on Qur'anic verses that disaprove the fallacy that man originated from monkeys. Some of them repeated the same points in different paragraphs. Others mixed correct and incorrect responses. Some of the wrong points given by these candidates were: Existence of monkeys, if man originated from monkey why monkey of today does not change into man as well existence of monkeys in Eden in where adam and Hawa lived there were monkeys also but not changed into man as well as Allah prove that men are clever and intelligent in the World.

Furthermore, the analysis of the candidates' responses indicated that, very few candidates (4.3%) had good performance in this question. These candidates were able to use Qur'anic verses to prove that man did not originate from monkeys. Some of the responses given by these candidates were: Allah s.w) has declared that it is He who created human being, the first human being was created as a real human being (3:59, 23:12), the second human being was created from the first human being (4:1), the rest human beings were created from sperms, Allah has shown different stages which used to create human beings (Adam) as well as science has proved the existence of human development in the womb explained by Qur'an (23:14, 22:5). Extract 8.2 is an example of the correct answer from a candidate in this question.

8	Quran is the holly book from
	Allah (Sw). Quan say that men has created by
	Allah (i.w) and not originated from monkeys as
	many materialist scholars says. They say that a
	trivit man was monkey and monkey change gradualy
	to the man. They is not true. Quan says that
	man created by Allah and through soil. Then through First man and avomain is where the all other people
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	came from thus, by eving the charante vorses
	the following are the proves, showing that man did not
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	prophet Muhammad to read " read () in the name
	of your God. who create (2) Croated a man by using
	a piece of meat there fore this shows that a
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	man created by Allah and not originated from montage. The first man to be created was
	Adam (a-s) and his wife Hawa. This revealed in
	suratul baggrah. When Allah (v.w). Tay to tell ag -
	Angels that he need to create a leader to the
	world. And that loader was a man. And he created
	Adam and Have First-And the all people in
	the world came from them two.
	Quean also says that a man
	has created by using water which are sperms.
	This revealed in surat atwailing. When Allah f.w. fell human being to look from which thing
	he has created. Then Allah says he has created
	by using sperms. There fore this die shows that
	a man did not originated from monkey.
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when Allah says "throught we have created you, and
to it we will return you". There pre this means the
man has created using soil and after death. A man
will be returned to sand soil again (burned).
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areated by Allah (in) and using his hands. This
revealed in Ouran when Allah rayed but surat Amah man in verse three? the one who created a man"  There fore this also shows that a man has
man in verse three? the one who created a man"
there fore this also shows that a man has
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man. And the creation of main was not by.
chance. There is is a purpose of creation. And the
purpose in to working Allah (s.w). There fore
man. And the creation of main was not by.  chance. There is is a purpose of creation. And the purpose is to working Allah (s.w). There fore man should ensure that he working God an orde
to establish the Kingdom of Allah.

Extract 8.2: A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 8

In Extract 8.2 the candidate proved correctly by using Qur'anic verses that man did not originate from monkeys and therefore scored high marks.

#### 2.2.3 Question 9: Evolution of Islamic State in Meccan Era

This question required the candidates to analyze six roles of Aqaba treaties to the formation of Islamic state in Madina. The question came from the topic Evolution of Islamic State in Meccan Era in the subtopic Islamization Process in Mecca.

The question was attempted by 307 (59.4%) candidates out of 517 who sat for this examination. The data show that 213 (69.4%) candidates scored 0 to 6.5 marks, among which 17 (5.5%) candidates scored 0 mark. Also, 77 (25.1%) candidates scored 7 to 11.5 marks and 17 (5.5%) candidates scored

12 to 16.5 marks. Figure 9 illustrates the candidates' performance in this question.

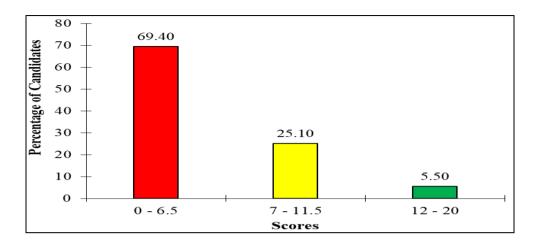


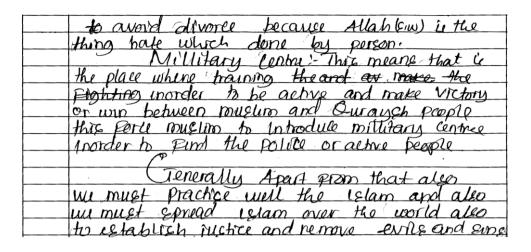
Figure 9: Performance of Candidates on Percentage on Question 9

The performance of candidates in this question was weak as only 94 (30.6%) candidates scored from 7 to 16.5 marks. The 213 (69.4%) candidates who scored 0 to 6.5 marks, either misinterpreted the question or failed to meet the demand of the question. Some of them explained the roles of mosque rather than Aqaba as treaty in the establishment of Islam with the points such as; Aqaba is the place where by Muslim go to worship, used as school and madrasa, used as court centre, used as parlianmnet as wel as used as guest house. These candidates had some knowledge of the topic concerned but were confused with the term of Qaaba and Aqaba. In their mind they thought that these terms are related as they know that Qaaba is the place where people go to worship during the Hajj which is within the Holy mosque of Mecca hence, provided roles of mosque which were contrary to the requrements of the question.

Other candidates conceived Aqaba as Islamic organs which provided Muslims with certain assistance. For example, a candidate argued that: Aqaba was used to provide land for the Islamic state, aqaba was used to collect the taxes in the muslim community, aqaba also was used to provide potential social services, aqaba was used to provide zakka as well as aqaba used to get advice for the people who wants to start economic activities.

On top of that, some candidates came with their own responses which were against the demand of the question like; Provide false and congress and Islamic state, lead to provisional of social services, creation of administrative infrastructure, provisional of moral and mutual support in protecting stability training in Islamic state as well as formation of organizations. Others responded that; The troties strengthened the formation of Islamic state, the troties created strong economic base of Islamic state, the troties strengthened out the formation of Islamic institus, the treaties improved standard of living, the treaties emphasized out the good relationship between the people as well as the treaties influenced peace and security. Candidates in this group lacked knowledge on the topic of Islamic State in Meccan Era, hence provided irrelevant answers contrary to the requirements of the question. Extract 9.1 shows a sample of a script of an irrelevant response.

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Extract 9.2: A sample of incorrect response to question 9

In Extract 9.2 a candidate explained the functions of Holy Mosque of Mecca instead of analyzing six roles of Aqaba treaties to the formation of Islamic state in Madina.

Further analysis revealed that, 77 (25.1%) candidates who scored from 7 to 11.5 marks had average performance. These candidates provided less than required contributions or mentioning them without enough explanations which led them to lose some marks. Also, some of them mixed relevant and irrelevant contributions. Some of the Irrelevants contributions mixed with relevants were; To show existence of Allah (s.w), to show that source of victory is Allah (s.w) as well as to show that Muslims and non muslims could not cooperate in religious matters.

On the other hand, further analysis revealed that, 17 (5.5%) candidates who attempted this question scored 12 to 16.5 marks. These candidates had good performance in this question. They were able to analyze six roles of Aqaba treaties to the formation of Islamic state in Madina. Also, they provided detailed explanations with examples and had English Language proficiency as well. However, their scores differed due to their degree of clarity of points provided as well as number of roles explained. Some roles explained were; it created personal purifications or character and behaviour, it created unity and solidarity, it created the rule of law, muslim are required to exercise the pledge of loyalty, muslim are required to keep secret as well the question of leadership is pre-requisite factor in Islam. Extract 9.2 is a sample of a correct response from a script of a candidate.

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een prophet Muhammad (SAW) and the people
from Tathirb. This agreement performed at the
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of agaba infute that give muslim Simple way
which help them to inter at Madina early
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with them. Example, when Prophet ( (AN) apoint
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People of Madiner that is why allowed them
to make agreement which help them to make
good relation. Example, To make and follow
islam practicaly. And the end Success to meete
people of Madina and the people of make to
have good relation.
To meuce personal punficcation; This means
that this agaba insure that every one from
Mecca and madina has punfied his that person

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the existence of Allah (Iw), To remove and
not done ever and others. There is why people
of Madera primise Prophet (SAMI) to stop in per
daighters and other. So Agaba triets insure
deighter and other. In Agaba trett insure
their every one principed his Ther soul.
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every where Mind be the leader who will stand
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appointed Murab bin Ummair to Handal
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them the knowledge of Islam. So this show
that leader is very important every corners.
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giel of teach and spread Islam.
Example, Prophet Muhammad (Para) use Feeret
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every this about that. By this show that
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mullim they full full theer promise Soon after
of Madines when may inter in Islam
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to stop killed their daughter, to follow islam
proceedises and others. By through this give much
ways of full-fell their promise.
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**Extract 9.2:** A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 9

In Extract 9.2 a candidate analyzed six roles of Aqaba treaties to the formation of Islamic state in Madina.

# 3.0 ANALYSIS OF THE CANDIDATES RESPONSES IN EACH OUESTION IN PAPER 2

This was a three hours paper and consisted of sections A and B, with a total of nine (9) questions. Section A consisted of a six (6) compulsory short answer questions and section B consisted of essay questions. The candidates were required to attempt two (2) questions in section B. Hence, they were demanded to answer eight (8) questions in general, making a total of 100 marks.

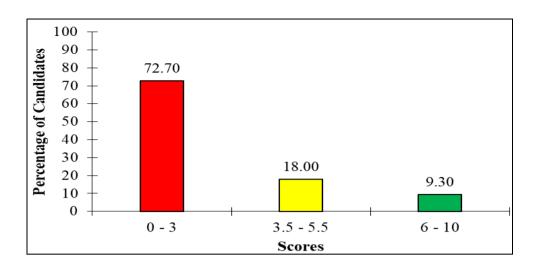
#### 3.1 SECTION A: SHORT ANSWERS

This section analyses the performance of candidates in each question. It shows the number of candidates who attempted each question and explains the quality of their responses. In this section, the candidates were supposed to briefly answer all questions provided. The questions were set to measure candidates' competences such as understanding, applying analysing and evaluating. Each question in this section carried 10 marks, making a total of 60 marks.

#### 3.1.1 Question 1: Rationale of Islam and the Concept of Worship

This question required the candidates to explain briefly the impacts of Imamu Ujugu's speech to the audience that insisted Islam is of five fundamentals and in performing them a believer can wash away all sins. The question was constructed from the topic Rationale of Islam and the Concept of Worship in subtopic the Concept of Worship (Ibada) in Islam.

A total of 516 (99.8%) candidates attempted this question. The candidates who scored 0 to 3 marks were 375 (72.7%) of which, 264 (51.2%) candidates scored 0 mark. Also, 93 (18%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 48 (9.3%) candidates scored 6 to 9 marks. Figure 10 depicts the performance of candidates in question 1.



**Figure 10:** Performance of Candidates on Question 1

Generally, the performance of candidates in this question was weak. This is because only 141 (27.3%) candidates scored 3.5 to 9 marks. Furthermore, the analysis of responses revealed that 375 (72.7%) candidates scored from 0 to 3 marks. On top of that, 264 (51.2%) candidates who attempted this question scored 0 mark which is weak perforamance. They either had misconception on the demands of the questions or lacked knowledge on topic Rationale of Islam and the Concept of Worship. Some of them provided arguments from pillars of faith instead of explaining briefly the impacts of Imamu Ujugu's speech to the audience that insisted Islam is of five fundamentals and in performing them a believer can wash away all sins. Some of their points were: to make people to worship Allah alone, to believe in the holy Our'an, to believe in prophet teachings, to believe the last day as well as to believe the existence of Allah (s.w). This candidate lacked enough knowledge on the topic Rationale of Islam and the Concept of Worship hence he/she failed to identify the demand of the question which led to provide wrong responses.

Other candidates came with responses contrary to the demand of the question. For example, one candidate responded that: *Make audience purified from a member of a satan, make audience to avoid threat of a satan, make audience to avoid injustice and population accuse as well as makes audience to practice swalat at night time.* Some wrote wrong impacts because they were not able to translate the key concepts in the imamu's speech. Another candidate provided that: *It has made people to worship Allah (s.w) who follows his authority, it has brought people done* 

to Allah (s.w) as well as it has increases belief in Allah (s.w). In another example a candidate responded that; Increase fear of Allah (s.w), provision of zakat will reduce poverty in the society, enable people to establish the kingdom of Allah, fasting of Ramadhan promote faithful and patient to people as well as promote unity and awareness to people. The candidates in this group, were not able to meet the demand of the question, hence provided wrong resposnes. Extract 10.1 shows a sample of an irrelevant response of candidate.

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Qur-an to read. This is begause through reading
Our-an it make to believe about teaching of
Allah to how people.
To believe the prophet teaching;
Allah (J.W) sent prophet in the wird in order
to spread about the existence of Allah and
also prophet (s.w.) teaching the way in which
Muslim showed be and also through prophet
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for Allah only and existence about wishin Allah
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to believe about Allan and Allah Deaching
which show way of life.

Extract 10.1: A Sample of an Incorrect Response to Question 1

In Extract 10.1 the candidate explained the importance of Muslims to follow the six Pillars of Faith, instead of explaining briefly the impacts of Imamu Ujugu's speech to the audience that insisted Islam is of five fundamentals and in performing them a believer can wash away all sins.

Moreover, 94 (18%) candidates who scored averagely (3.5 to 6 marks), mixed correct and incorrect responses. Some of incorrect responses provided by these candidates were; *Islam is not built by five fundamentals only as well as people tends to neglect the prophet Sunnah*. These candidates also lacked delailed explanations for the rightly mentioned impacts.

Further analysis on candidates' responses revealed that 48 (9.3%) candidates who scored from 6 to 10 marks performed good in this question. These few candidates were able to explain briefly the impacts of Imamu Ujugu's speech to the audience that insisted Islam is of five fundamentals and in performing them a believer can wash away all. These candidates had enough knowledge on Rationale of Islam and Concept of Worship. For example, one candidate explained that; *It will make them live in two systems of life, Islamic and non Islamic, it will lead to moral decay, the task of establishing the kingdom of Allah (s.w) will not be realized, as well as the teaching of this preacher may lead violation of human rights. Well organized work with good English helped candidates in this category to score high marks. However, the disparity of performance from one candidate to another depended on clarity of explanation of the impacts demanded. Extract 10.2 shows a sample of a response from a script of a candidate who provided a relevant response.* 

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	all sin load many of the pouple to
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	by Allah but is wrong concept.
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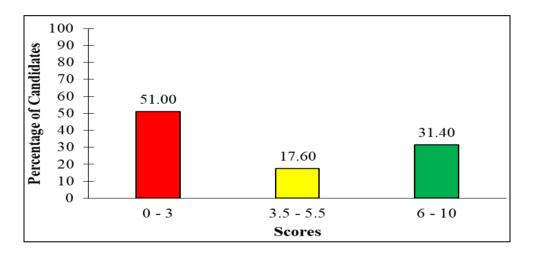
Extract 10.2: A sample of a correct response to question 1

In Extract 10.2 the candidate explained briefly the impacts of Imamu Ujugu's speech to the audience that insisted Islam is of five fundamentals and in performing them a believer can wash away all sins.

#### 3.1.2 Question 2: The Belief in Allah (s.w) and its Implications

This question required candidates to give indicators of convincing non believers to accept the existence of Allah (s.w) through the lives of his Prophets. The question covered the topic The Belief in Allah (s.w) and its Implications in subtopic Existence of Allah (s.w).

The question was attempted by 516 (99.8%) candidates. The candidates who scored 6 to 10 marks were 162 (31.4%). Also 91 (17.6%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 263 (51%) candidates scored 0 to 3 marks of which, 127 (24.6%) candidates scored 0 mark. Figure 11 illustrates the performance of candidates in this question.



**Figure 11:** Performance of Candidates on Question 2

The general performance of candidates in this question was average as 253 (49%) candidates scored above 3 marks. The analysis of the candidates' performance revealed that 162 (31.4%) candidates with good performance who scored from 6 to 10 marks met the requirements of the question, so had good performance. This is because, they understood the demand of the question and had enough knowledge and skills on the topic of Belief in Allah (s.w) and its Implications. Some of the correct responses they provided were; The advent of Prophet, prophets were not influenced by the environment, the prophet were also given signs (miracles), the calamities they faced for the sake of Allah (s.w), they defeated their enemies as well as they demanded no pay for all difficulties and calamities faced. Extract 11.1

shows a sample of a response from a candidate who answered this question correctly.

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Allah (s.w). Allah had brought them to in order
to remove all forms of inpustice.
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The prophets had gone through alot of calamities
like they they were tortured, finghtened and
Some were also Killed for example prophet Muhammaa
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They demanded no pay, The
prophets were not pard as they were sent by
Allah (s.w) with ther specific mossion. And they
also demanded no pay after all the work they
did.
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The prophets had always dyeated disbetievers
through the help of Allah (S.W). For example the
prophet Nuh had departed by disbetrever also Hud
through their lifetime. They were not influenced by
their environment, The prophets were always
preserved from committing sms. For example prophet
Muhammad was not instruenced by his enriponment
although his people committed adultery and also
dnnking alcohol.
Generally, Allah had always
helped his prophets through various ways. And there
are also other things that proves the exortene of
Allah like the signs of the whole universe like
present of mountains, clouds, oceans and variety
of fruits.

**Extract 11.1:** A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 2

In Extract 11.1 the candidate managed to give correct indicators of convincing non believers to accept the existence of Allah (s.w) through the lives of his Prophets.

On the other hand, 91 (17.6%) candidates with average performance (3.5 to 5.5 marks) provided less than the required arguments. Some candidates mixed between correct and incorrect responses. For example, one candidate wrote: oneness message of Prophet in the life of Prophet as well as reveled about his followers and the Islamic education is given the first priority.

Further analysis revealed that, 162 (31.4%) candidates scored 0 to 3 marks which is a weak performance due to the misconceptions they encountered. They failed to understand the requirements of the question so they were not able to relate the scenario in the question with real situation.

Some candidates in this category explained the signs for existence of Allah (s.w) through the universe and man himsef. For example, one candidate wrote the signs like: *The universe, the existence of both sexes, different colours, different tribe and nation as well as day and night.* This candidate had knowledge on the required topic but misunderstood the demand of the question which led him/her to provide signs for existence of Allah (s.w) through the universe instead of signs from the lives of Prophets.

Other candidates provided different Prophets of Allah (S.W) with their miracles. For example, one candidate provided points such as: a question of Prophet Muhammad (s.a.w) to divide the moon into two pieces, a question of Prophet Issa (a.s) to give back life to death people, the question of Prophet (s.a.w) to predict future, a question of Prophet Ibrahim to live safe in fire as well as a question of prophet Mussa and his stick. This response is the elaboration of the signs (miracles) contrary to the requirements of the question.

Nevertheless, some candidates in this group provided different responses which were not related with question. For example, one candidate argued that; the way of pursuit or receive knowledge, their way to receive revelation, their living style as well as their teachings. Another candidate provided points as: after one prophet failed or death Allah has sent another prophet, every nation Allah has sent a messenger, was the one who live with the good behaviour as well as they were fear. The candidate had inadequate knowledge on the belief in Allah (s.w) and its implications which led him/her to provide guess answers. Extract 11.2 shows a sample of a response from a candidate who had weak performance in this question.

00. "Existence of Allah is without fould"
because Allah shows many indicator to show its existence through the twee of his prophets as pollows:  The sign given to prophet; This - was among the indicator through the twose of his prophet show the existence of the sign because there are different signs allah show like Day and night, Universe, along the and soon,
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his prophets as pollows:
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people so this is indicator which prove existence
on Allah.
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was the indicator to prove existence on Allah.
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hence this prove existence of Albh.
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Extract 11.2: A Sample of Incorrect Response to Question 3

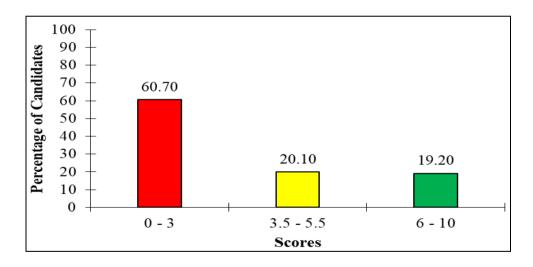
In Extract 12.2 the candidate explained sign from universe and from man which depicts existence of Allah instead of giving indicators to convince

non believers to accept the existence of Allah (s.w) through the lives of his Prophets.

#### 3.1.3 Question 3: The Six Pillars of Faith

The question required the candidates to examine motives behind Bi Mwati of Zanzibar to respond *Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi rajiun* after losing all of her five children and husband when Mv Spice Islander sank. The question was derived from the topic The Six Pillars of Faith in subtopic descriptions and implications of each pillar of faith Belief in Qadar.

Candidates who attempted this question were 517 (100%). The data analysis show that, 99 (19.2%) candidates scored 6 to 10 marks, 104 (20.1%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 314 (60.7%) candidates scored 0 to 3 marks of which, 141 (27.3%) candidates scored 0 mark. Figure 12 illustrates performance of the candidates in this question.



**Figure 12:** Performance of Candidates on Question 3

The general performance of candidates in this question was average due to the fact that, only 203 (39.1%) candidates scored above 3 marks. The analysis of answers in this question shows that, 99 (19.1%) candidates who scored 6 to 10 marks, had good performance. This is because they had sufficient knowledge on Six Pillars of Faith. Also, they encountered the requirement of the question. Some of responses provided by these candidates were: Believing in Qadar help towards contentment and trust in Allah, total submission to Allah only, she believes in Qadar which makes

her not to waste time in unnecessary condolence, also Qadar helps to focus on positive thinking to Allah so to get a good end as well as it inspires bravery to her. Extract 12.1 is a sample of a correct response from a candidate in this question.

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any thing that happens & him is from Allah Cs. wo and not human's addity
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(i) It creates god-concious person; trusting the ability
9 Allah and his lordship and generally his ability
to act and control everything in universe enables one
to acknowledge existence of Allah
(iii) It creates bravery in man, believing in whomited
power of Allah Cs. W) makes one to be brave because he has been able to the trust existence of something
he has been able to the trust existence of something
that is not perceivable but has no doubt due to
preserve q indicators to prove its preserve
(IV) Makes one to never associate Allah with any partner, the
belief that what ever whotever happens is from Allah than
a person will find it non-sense to ask help from other
gods whose power is limited and can not holp him with anything
but only Allah Cs.W) can do so.
(v) It enables one to be tolerant and pass different tests
tom Allah: when one is tested by Allah, he will pass
the tests because the disappointments we witness
aim to test us as he permise he will not only
let us say in words that we believe but rather our
actions will prooxp.

Extract 12.1: is the Sample of a Correct Response to Question 3

In Extract 12.2 the candidate examined motives behind Bi Mwati of Zanzibar to respond *Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi rajiun* after losing all of her five children and husband when Mv Spice Islander sank.

Further analysis also revealed that, 104 (20.1%) candidates who score 3.5 to 5.5 marks performed averagely. Some of them mixed correct and incorrect points. Some of the wrong motives mixed by these candidates were; *She want mercy of Allah (s.w) as well as she believes in here after.* Moreover, other candidates did not manage to explain in detail the mentioned right arguments and therefore scored averagely.

On the other side, the analysis also revealed that 314 (60.7%) candidates, who scored 0 to 3 marks had weak performance. They provided wrong answers. Some of them provided pillars of faith instead of explaining the motives of believing in Qadar specifically. For example, one candidate provided points such as: *She believes Allah's angels, she believes on Allah's book, she believes here after as well as she believes Allah's qadar.* Other explained the power of Allah (s.w). Also, another candidate for example, responded that: *It shows the existence of Allah (s.w), Allah is the one who gives life to people, Allah provides children in the family, believes in that Allah (s.w) is there to remind human through having the brain as well as every person die. This indicated that the above candidate confused the term 'motives' hence provided incorrect responses contrary to the demand of the question.* 

On top of that, other candidates provided the acts of widow during waiting period (Idda). Some of the points provided were; She must be living in eda for four months and ten days, she getting the half of wealth of her husband, she getting wealth of her children, after four months and ten days if she wants to marriage with another husband she married as well as thehoods of her husband is to support her all period of eda by giving food, shelter.

In addition, other candidates provided different responses because they were not familiar with topic Six Pillars of Faith. This made them guess the answers. For example, one candidate provided such points as: *Allah is together with all believers, the calamity is the party of true believer, make the believer to love and depend only Allah (s.w) as well as Allah (s.w) is there to remind human through having the brain.* This candidate lacked knowledge of the respective topic and failed to realize the demand of the

question therefore, provided wrong responses. Extract 12.2 shows a sample of incorrect response from a script of a candidate.

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	Of her husband.
	(iii) she getting the wealth of her childre
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	(iv) After four months and bendangs - If she want to mayninge with another
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	husband , she married:
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	surpoke her the all period of eds by giring
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	all needed:

Extract 12.2: A Sample of Incorrect Response to Question 3

In Extract 12.2 the candidate explained obligations for the Muslim women who lost her husband instead of examining motives behind Bi Mwati of Zanzibar to respond *Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi rajiun* after losing all of her five children and husband when Mv Spice Islander sank.

## 3.1.4 Question 4: Islamic Way of Life

The question required the candidates to briefly suggest ways that can be adopted by the Government and the society to alleviate poverty, illiteracy and disease according to Islamic perspectives. This question was from the topic Islamic Way of Life in subtopic Islamic Social and Political System.

The question was attempted by 517 (100%) candidates who sat for this examination. The analysis shows that, 379 (73.3%) candidates scored 6 to 10 marks. Also 87 (16.8%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 51 (9.9%) candidates scored 0 to 3 marks of which, 20 (3.9%) candidates scored 0 mark. Figure 13 ilustrates the performance of candidates in this question.

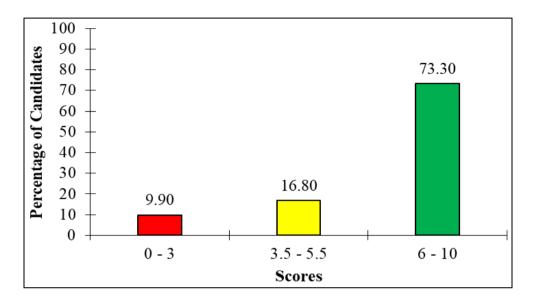


Figure 13: Performance of Candidates on Question 4

Generally, the performance of candidates in this question was good because 466 (90.1%) candidates scored above 3 marks. The analysis of the candidates' responses in this question revealed that, the 379 (73.3%) candidates scored from 6 to 10 marks which is a good performance. They correctly suggested ways that can be adopted by the Government and the society to alleviate poverty, illiteracy and disease according to Islamic perspectives. Some of responses provided were: encouraging the giving zaka and sadaqa, insisting on the importance of education, forming cooperative union and business partnership, provision of loans without interest as well as encouraging people to work hard and engage themselves in economic activities. These candidates mastered the topic of Islamic Way of Life. Extract 13.1 shows a sample of a response from a candidate who performed well in this question.

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Extract 13.1: A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 4

In Extract 13.1 the candidate suggested ways that can be adopted by the Government and the society to alleviate poverty, illiteracy and disease according to Islamic perspectives and therefore scored high marks.

The analysis also revealed that, 87 (9.9%) candidates who scored average marks (3.5 to 5.5), mixed the relevant responses with irrelevant ones. Examples of some incorrect responses mixed were: By believing in God, by peace and security as well as by promoting unity and security.

Further analysis revealed that 51 (9.9%) candidates who scored 0 to 3 marks misunderstood the demand of the question, as result they got weak performance. Some of them, explained sources of revenue during the life of

Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) and Caliphate with the points such as; *Sadaqat, zakat, ushr, Al-Ghzwa and Al-fayi*. These candidates understood the demand of the question but all the points provided based on a single component of fighting against poverty and left a side issues related to illiteracy and diseases and this was contrary to the demand of the question which demanded the candidates to advise the government on how to alleviate them. As a result, they scored low marks.

On top of that, some candidates came with advice to the government on political and social affairs so as to have good well being of citizens. For example, one candidate argued that; The government and society should avoid the presence of the democracy, the government and the society should the presence of multiparty system as well as the government and the society should adopt the presence of polytheism. In another example a candidate argued; To make the usage obtained income by government, to conduct the normal punishment presented by Islam as well as always be enroll in making the provision of leadership to law of Islam. Another one provided the points such as: To live according with the Qur'an and Sunnah, Government should obey the law of Islamic state as well as it should to depend from Allah (s.w) only. These candidates lacked knowledge of true believers of Allah (S.W) in their practical life which made them to fail to meet the demand of the question. Extract 13.2 shows a sample of a candidate who answered this question incorrectly.

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and not one high and Other Low
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10) To increase Islamic elites
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ii) To aducate people accordingly the blamic education  This aimed to advacating people  iii) To create peoples anciourness  10) To increase blamic elites  D To be execuped from the correption

Extract 13.2: A sample of incorrect response to question 4

In Extract 13.2 the candidate explained people's awareness and education as the solution for the better life instead of suggesting ways that can be adopted by the Government and the society to alleviate poverty, illiteracy and disease according to Islamic perspectives.

#### 3.1.5 Question 5: The Islamic Legal Science and Criminal Law

The question required the candidates to analyze briefly effects a man's family may encounter due to his alcohol drinking habit. The Question covered the topic The Islamic Legal Science and Criminal Law in subtopic Islamic Criminal Law and Court Procedures.

The question was attempted by 517 (100%) candidates who sat for this examination. The analysis shows that, 440 (85.1%) candidates scored 6 to 10 marks. Also 57 (11%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 20 (3.9%) candidates scored 0 to 3 marks of which, 13 (2.5%) candidates scored 0 mark. Figure 14 exemplifies the performance of candidates in this question.

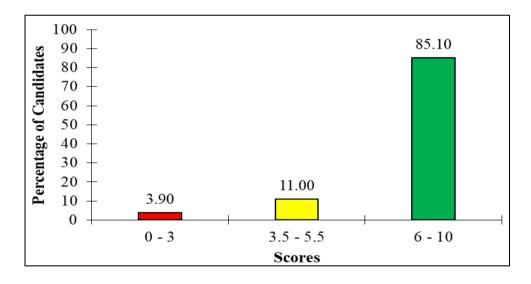


Figure 14: Performance of Candidates on Question 5

This is among the best perfoming question in this paper. This is the case because evidently 497 (96.1%) candidates scored from 3.5 to 10 marks. Also, 440 (85.1%) candidates who scored from 6 to 10 marks, performed well. This indicates that they had knowledge of Islamic Legal Science and Criminal Law hence were able to analyze briefly effects a man's family may encounter due to his alcohol drinking habit. Apart from well explained

alcoholic effects given, these candidates were able to give tangible examples in real life. Some the effects provided were: *Drinking habit may cause disputes within the family which may end to family disintegration, unnecessary poverty is created due to wastage of resources, wastage of time, drinking alcohol is the key source of other evils according to Prophet (s.a.w), one who drinks loses self respect and respect of others,* as well as drinking alcohol is helthy hazards. Extract 14.1 is a sample of a response from a candidate who had good performance in this question.

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Separation of family so cline to that
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avoid alcohol because in Islam they
prohibite that habit because Allah
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that because is bad behaviour.
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should avoid that in order to avoid disease
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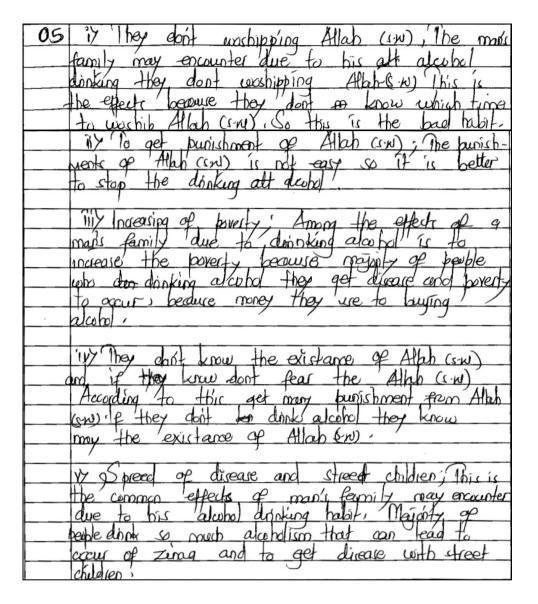
5	2. Misunderstanding
	also through drinking alcohol of course
	Conflict in the society which cause
	disappearing of peace and harmony in
	the Family also love etc so due to that
	we should avoid that

Extract 14.1: A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 5

In Extract 14.1 a candidate managed to analyze briefly effects a man's family may encounter due to his alcohol drinking habit.

Furthermore, 30 (4.4 %) candidates who scored average marks (3.5 to 5.5 marks) some of them failed to provide detailed explanations for the right effects a man's family may encounter due to his alcohol drinking habit mentioned. For example, one candidate provided incorrect responses such as *Allah's angels did not enter in that house as well as increase of devils to live for that family*.

On the other hand, the analysis shows that 20 (3.9%) candidates who scored 0 to 3 marks had weak performance. These few candidates failed to meet the demands of the question. Some of these candidate came with responses which were contrary to the demand of the question. For example, one candidate provided points such as: Loss of weight of the body, it leads to the decline of shura and principles of Islamic community family as well as it leads to the destruction of Islam to the community family. Other candidates hinted punishment which must be imposed to the drunkers. For example, one candidate provided such as: They can't pray for timely, they should be getting 80 lashes as well as they can not inter into paradise. They must be dsmissed in leadership in the family, they do not participate in the meeting as well as family will not listening their advice. Another candidate had the following explaination; to get punishment of Allah, they didn't know the existence of Allah as well as they don't worship Allah. The candidates in this group lacked enough knowledge on the topic hence provided incorrect responses which led them to score low marks. Extract 14.2 shows a sample of wrong answer from a candidate.



Extract 14.2: A Sample of Incorrect Response to Question 5

In Extract 14.2, the candidate explained reasons for the people to have drinking habit instead of analyzing briefly effects a man's family may encounter due to his alcohol drinking habit.

## 3.1.6 Question 6: The Purpose of Life and Life After Death

The candidates were required to explain briefly weaknesses of teachings of Biology teacher who taught students on no possibility of giving life to a decomposed body and dry bones. The question was from the topic The Purpose of Life and Life after Death in subtopic Life after Death.

A total of 512 (99%) candidates attempted this question. The candidates who scored 0 to 3 marks were 441 (86.1%) of which, 301 (58.8%) candidates scored 0 mark. Also, 42 (8.2%) candidates scored 3.5 to 5.5 marks and 29 (5.7%) candidates scored 6 to 9 marks. Figure 15 depicts the performance of candidates in question 6.

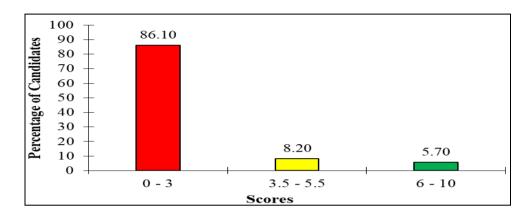


Figure 15: Performance of Candidates on Question 6

This is among the worst perfomed question in this paper. It can be evidently shown by the fact that only 29 (5.9%) candidates scored from 3.5 to 10 marks. The 441 (86.1%) of the candidates had weak performance (0 to 3 marks) as they misunderstood the requirement of the question. They provided different responses contrary to the demand of the question, as a result they scored low marks. Majority of the candidates 301 (58.8%) who scored 0 mark misinterpreted the demand of the question and therefore provided different responses. For example, a candidate responded that: mens disease, the children that are born, the origin of life as well as the died of trees and coming back again. This candidate created his/her own responses due to failure to realize the needs of the question hence provided the wrong answer.

Another candidate provided the evidence to prove the inevitability of life after death through practical life. Some of them explained: *Every living thing will be resurrected in the day of judgement, they are many historical evidences that dead body become alive, the sleeping and awakening of man life as well as decaying and decomposing of dead plant.* 

On the other hand, some candidates provided the necessity of life after death. For example, one of the candidates argued that; *the something which* 

have end did not lack origin, all living things they had been punished according to his or her deeds, reveal reality as well as Allah (s.w) giving man lives in order to provide justice.

In addition, other candidates mixed the responses of necessity of life after death and evidence to prove life after death. Some of their points were; the life after death is for punishing all wrong doers, to be awarded for the good doers, all the rights of a living organisms to be returned, the life after death is possible as shown in the Qur'an through different historical evidences as well as the life after death is important as it is one among the six pillars of faith in Islam. The candidates in this category had little knowledge on the topic and therefore mixed between evidences to prove life after death through practical life with necessity of life after death. Extract 15.1 is a sample of a script of a candidate who answered incorrectly in this question.

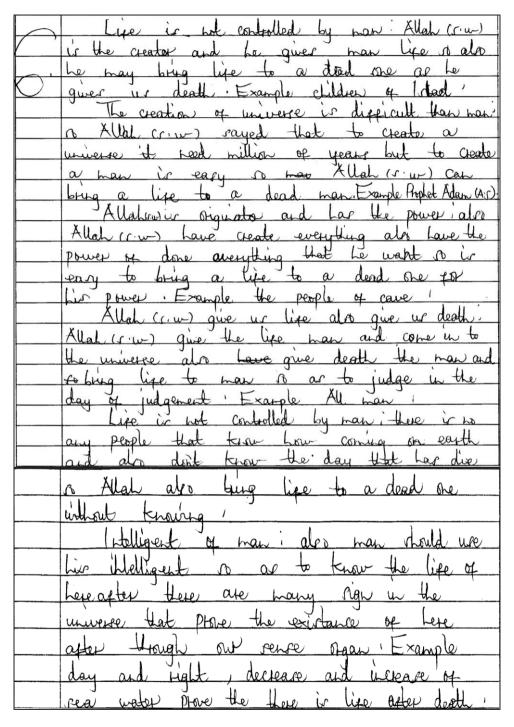
Dere is a day of judgment. So in the day all people will be also in order to provide punishment to those people who du cuns and to those generate to go almost to paradise or Januath.	2
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Extract 15.1: A Sample of an Incorrect Response to Question 6

In Extract 15.1 the candidate explained the Pillars of faith instead of explaining weaknesses of teachings of Biology teacher who taught students on no possibility of giving life to a decomposed body and dry bones.

Moreover, 42 (8.2%) candidates who scored average marks (3.5 to 6 marks) had varied ways of responding to this question. Some of them failed to provide detailed explanations while others mixed correct with incorrect weaknesses. Some of the wrong rsponses provided were; the justice will be realized, those who good deeds to be reward as well as to punish those who do bad deeds.

Furthermore, the analysis revealed that, 29 (5.7%) candidates had good performance. These candidates scored from 6 to 10 marks. They correctly explained weaknesses of the teachings of biology teacher who taught students on no possibility of giving life to a decomposed body and dry bones. For example, one candidate responded that; This stand is illogical since life at any stage is not in mans control, it is obvious that He who controls life can take it away and can restore it, men knows only one form of creation he does not know other forms of creation, Allah answers the disbelievers allegation by exposing hi unlimited power in creation by asking man to consider how he came to life from nothingness and life less objects as well as the arguments presented by Allah (s.w) in the reply to disbelievers is in the form of drawing men attention to the unlimited power in the creation. Extract 15.2 is a sample of a response from a candidate who gave a relevant answer for this question.



Extract 15.2: A Sample of a Good Response to Question 6

In Extract 15.2 the candidate managed to explain weaknesses of teachings of Biology teacher who taught students on no possibility of giving life to a decomposed body and dry bones.

#### 3.2 SECTION B: ESSAY

This section comprised of three (3) essay questions. The candidates were required to answer two questions from this section in an essay form. Each question carried 20 marks, making a total of 40 marks. The questions were set to measure candidates' competences such as applying, analysing, evaluating and creating.

### 3.2.1 Question 7: Islamic Way of Life

This question required the candidates to relate the achivements of objective of Islamic economy with good relationship among the people in the Islamic society. This question is from the topic of Islamic Way of Life in subtopic Islamic Economic System.

A total of 255 (49.3%) candidates attempted this question. Out of which, 41 (16.1%) candidates scored 12 to 20 marks. Also 48 (18.8%) candidates scored 7 to 11.5 marks. On top of that, 166 (65.1%) candidates scored 0 to 6.5 marks, among them, 26 (10.2%) candidates scored 0 mark. Figure 16 shows the performance of candidates in this question.

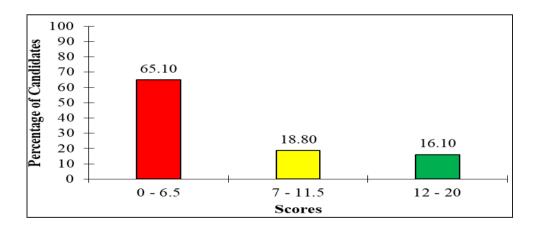
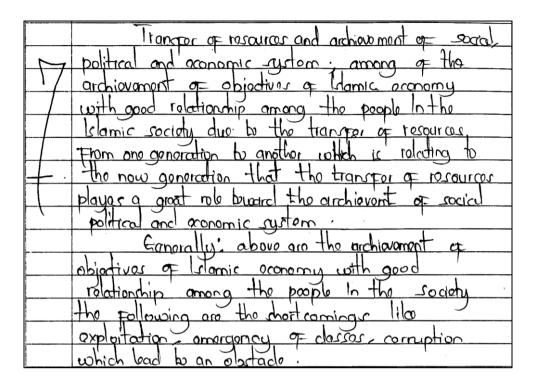


Figure 16: Performance of candidates on Question 7

The performance of candidates in this question was average since only 89 (34.9%) candidates scored 7 to 17 marks. The analysis revealed that, 41 (16.1%) candidates who scored 12 to 20 marks which is good performance, were able to relate the achivements of objective of Islamic economy with good relationship among the people in the Islamic society meet the

requirement of the question and had enough knowledge on the Islamic Way of Life. Some of the correct responses provided were: *Decentralization of wealth, transfer of resources and achievements of social and economic justice, the Islamic economics and to achieve social and economic justice within the Ummah, economic well being within the frame work of moral norms of Islam, ultimate objectives of Islamic economy are to see that in equality in its various consequences is reduced and human relation are built on concrete foundation of social justice, elimination of riba (interest) as well as private ownership. These candidates had enough knowledge on Islamic Way of Life and good English proficiency. Their differences in score was the result of their strengths and weaknessess of their answers. Extract 16.1 is a sample of a correct response from a candidate in this question.* 

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Extract 16.1: A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 6

In Extract 16.1 the candidate managed to relate the achivements of objective of Islamic economy with good relationship among the people in the Islamic society and therefore scored high marks.

Furthermore, the analysis indicated that 48 (18.8%) candidates who performed averagely (7 to 11.5 marks), provided less responses than required points. On top of that, some of these candidates did not provide detailed explanations. Others mixed correct with incorrect achivements. For example, one candidate gave the following incorrect responses; *The Islamic economy led to the development of trade and business because it allows the movement of people* as well as *achieved in helping the special group*.

Further analysis on the candidates' responses showed that 166 (65.1%) candidates scored 0 to 6.5 marks which had weak performance because of misunderstanding on the demand of the question. Some of them explained different ideas which did not correlat to the question while others explained duties of Islamic leaders in Islamic state. They were influenced by the last part of the question which linked the achievement of objective of Islamic economy with good relationship among the people in the Islamic society.

For example, one candidate wrote that: the duty of Ilamic leaders were help promotion of of peace and security, help to promote justice in the society, help promote good relation between members in the family and emphasize people to work hard.

Some candidates also explained the uses of revenue in Islamic State. They argued that; For example, one of the candidates argued; good and fair uses of of revenue among the members of society will boost good relationship among them and by doing so peace will prevail. In another example, a candidate provided points such as: the fair uses of revenue in the society will mange to stop exploitation between mbers of Islamic State, will provide equal services to the people in the society and will cement reletionship between business owners and buyers.

On top of that, one candidate related the question with five Pillars of Islam. The candidate responded that: *It led to performing worship of pilgrimage, increase the capacity of giving zakat, lead both development of trade, promoted development of strong state as well as promoted the spread of Islamic religion.* The candidates in this group did not master well the topic of Islamic Way of Life. Hence, they provided wrong responses because they misunderstand the demand of the question. Extract 16.2 is a sample of an incorrect response of a candidate.

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Extract 16.2: A Sample of Incorrect Response to Question 7

Extract 16.2 is the sample of a response of a candidate who explained the importanc of Islamic economy in the Muslims community instead of relating the achivements of objective of Islamic economy with good relationship among the people in the Islamic society.

## 3.2.2 Question 8: The Islamic Family Law

The candidates were required to analyze rights that a husband should give his wife to resolve the challenges of marriage. The question covered the topic of The Islamic Family Law in subtopic of Legality of Marriage.

The question was attempted by 446 (86.3%) candidates out of 517 who sat for this examination. The analysis shows that, 223 (50%) candidates scored 12 to 20 marks. Also, 147 (33%) candidates scored 7 to 11.5 marks. Additionally, 76 (17%) candidates scored 0 to 6.5 marks among them, 29 (6.5%) candidates scored 0 mark. Figure 17 shows the performance of candidates in this question.

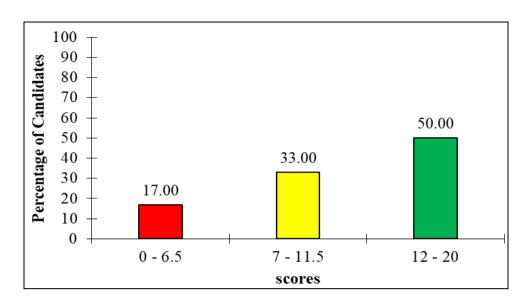


Figure 17: Performances of Candidates on Question 8

The general performance of candidates in this question was good as 370 (83%) candidates scored 7 to 20 marks. The analysis of candidates' responses revealed that 223 (50%) candidates who scored from 12 to 20 marks had good performance. They were able to meet the requirement of the question as well as had good knowledge of Islamic Family Law. They were able to analyze rights that the husband should give his wife to resolve the challenges of marriage. Some responses given by these candidates were: To treat her kindly, to educate her, to make justice in case of polygamy, provision of basic needs, to accompany her in enjoyment, and Rwegasira should not be too strict in order to make his wife comfort to his views. Extract 17.1 is a sample of a response from a script of a candidate who answered this question correctly.

08.	Marriage is the social relationship between a
	male and female as a wife husband and wife.
	"Rwegaira and Mwanakombo are huband and wife for
	five years now. However, their marriage praces some challenger
	because each one feels to have more rights than the other.
-	The following are the rights Rwegastra should give his
	wife to resolve their challenges;
	Right to be boved. A wife has a right to be
	loved by her husband as it is the responsible to
	him to to so, so that Rwegasira should love his
	wife,
	Right to be respected. This is a right to
	every member in the marriage including wife and
	hurband, every one have to respect another in any case
	So that Ruegasira should respect his wife in order
	to resolve their duallenges.
	Right to be educated. A husband is resp
	onsible to his wife to give education either
	directly or indirect by wing the teachers. By
	doing so, their challenges in their marriage would
	be resolved effectively beacuse a wife has enough
	educated.
	Right to be defended. It is a right of
	a wife to get a defence From their husband
	such as a bustand should ensure that his
	wife is at a good condition and she is safe.
	Right to get the sexual needs. A wife
	has a right to get the sexual needs from her
	hurband as if there is no any circumstance
,	that would made them uneffectively to do it
	Right to get the daily require ments.
	This including good, clothes and shelters in what

08	which she could get them from her husband.
	Frenerally, all the wife and husband has the
	rights and responsibilities from one to conother. So
	that also husland how his rights from his wife
	such as he could be respected, a wife should take
	care of her husband as well as with his properties
	and also to give the birth of the children for
	husband.

Extract 17.1: A Sample of a Correct Response to Question 8

Extract 17.1 is a response from a candidate who correctly analyzed rights that husband should give his wife to resolve the challenges of marriage and therefore scored high marks.

The analysis also showed that, there were 147 (33%) candidates who scored 7 to 11.5 marks which is average performance. These candidates mixed relevant with irrelevant responses. Some of irrelevant responses given by these candidates were: rights to own property in family matter, right to own income or money in family as well as right to get work or employment.

Further analysis revealed that 76 (17%) candidates who scored 0 to 6.5 marks had weak performance because they failed to meet the demand of the question. Some candidates explained the importance of marriage in the society. For example, one of the candidates explained that; Solve problem among the people in the society, solve moral decay in the society, reduction of prostitution, reduction of poverty as well as increase of brotherhood in the society. These candidates had knowledge on the topic but failed to understand the needs of the question hence they provided incorrect responses.

Others elaborated rights of women in Islam. Some of the responses given were: right to choose husband she loves, right to own properties, right to freedom of expression, right to get inheritance, right to seek knowledge as well as equal rights to seek partner. This candidate thought that, the question wanted him/her to explain rights of women in Islam so he/she

invested much efforts in explaining those right. This candidate was misled by the term 'right' used in the question.

Yet, some candidates provided different responses which in one way or another did not correctly answer the question. One candidate responded that: Rwegasira should give her the right of marrying, rwegasira should lead his wife in everything, rwegasira should give her some gifts, rwegasira should not do anything that will break the heart of his wife. Extract 17.2 shows a sample of a wrong answer in this question.

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Extract 17.2: A Sample of a Weak Response to Question 8

Extract 17.2 is the sample of a response from a candidate who explained advantages/importances of marriage in Islamic perspective instead of analyzing the rights that husband should give his wife to resolve the challenges of marriage and therefore scored low marks.

## 3.2.3 Question 9: The Purpose of Life and Life after Death

This question required the candidates to justify the reality of life of hereafter by reffering to historical facts from the Holy Qur'an. The question covered the topic The Purpose of Life and Life after Death in the subtopic Life after Death.

The question was attempted by 328 (63.4%) candidates out of 517 who sat for this examination. The analysis shows that, 219 (66.7%) candidates scored 12 to 20 marks. Also, 36 (11%) candidates scored 7 to 11.5 marks. Additionally, 73 (22.3%) candidates scored 0 to 6.5 marks among them, 22 (6.7%) candidates scored 0 marks. Figure 16 shows the performance of candidates in this question.

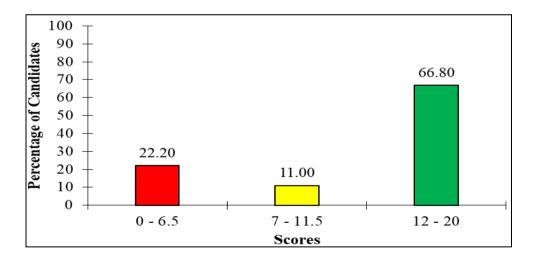


Figure 18: Performance of Candidates on Question 9

The performance of candidates in this question was good since 255 (77.7%) candidates scored 6.5 to 20 marks. The analysis of candidates' performance shows that, 42 (23.1%) candidates who scored from 12 to 19 had good performance on this question. They were able to justify the existence of life of hereafter by reffering to historical facts from the Holy Qur'an. Some of

these candidates responded that: Prophet Ibrahim politely asked his creator how he brings the dead into life, Allah (s.w) brought the life for men who passed away for 100 years, the children of Israel gave moses condition that they can not believe him until they see Allah with their own eyes, Prophet Isa brought back dead bodies, another incident when man was killed as well as Ashabil kahf which is explained in suratul kahf (18:25). Good performance of many candidates in this question proved that the question was well understood by and they had enough knowledge of Purpose of life and Life after Death. Extract 18.1 is a sample of a response from a candidate who scored high marks in this question.

9.	Accorded to the total
	religion, there is another life after here.
	Although other mankind argue by saying that
	there is no possibility of life of hereafter by
	various arguments. These arguments of non-
	various arguments. These arguments of non- believers are crushed in Islam through -
	various evidences from the Holly-Quran. The
	following are some of the historical facts
	from holy Qur'an which justify the reality of
	life of hereafter:
	Back to life the
	four birds of Prophet Ibrahim (a.s): As
	history tells us that, the four birds of
	Prophet brahim were brought alive after
	being cuted by him. This occurred when
	being cuted by him. This occurred when Rhophet Ibrahim needs to purity his Iman
	by seeing how Allah (s.w) can brough a dead
	soul to life again, Allah (s. w) direct him to
	take Four birds and give them names, then he have to cut them all in small
	then he have to cut them all in small
	pieces and mix together and then to separate
	them, after that he were required to call
	them by their names. When I he called
	them the four birds joined together and
	back to life again.
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	to life: In the previous time, there was
	died then arter hundred years Allah
	a man with his denkey. Both of them died then after hundred years, Allah (s.w) brought them alive. This event shows
	clearly that there is life after hereafter.
	Ability of Prophet Icca
	(a.s.) to brought a dead person to life: Prophet
	Issa (a.s) was given a bower and ability from
-	Allah (s.w). He was able to make dead person
	into original life. He wasn't doing this byhis
	Allah (s. w). He was able to make dead person into original life. He wasn't doing this by his own ability but from Allah's power. This
	was among the miracle given Prophet Israco
· -	This miracle support the ability of Allah co.
-	also shows that there is life after hereafter
	The Story of beoble
	of As-habut-Kahf: As-habut-kahf were the people of the care. They were in the care
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	sleeping for more than three hundred years.
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	who slept for more than three hundred
. ]	years so life after hereafter is possible.
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	ning the one who killed here his fellow, he died again.
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	are alot of reasons and evidences which
	Support the possibility of life after death
	The life after hear here after is inevitable
	Fince Allah (s.w) is the creator and unt-
	roller of everything in the universe.

Extract 18.1: A Sample of Corrected responses to question 9

In Extract 18.1 the candidate managed to justify the reality of life of hereafter by explaining historical facts from the Holy Qur'an which explains giving back of life in some occasion after death.

Moreover, 36 (11%) candidates scored 7 to 11.5 marks which is an average performance. These candidates mixed incorrect facts within correct responses so they had average performance. For example, one candidate explained incorrect facts such as; A question of Dhul Qurnain the man was dead for almost one hundread years and then turned back as well as the question of Ibrahim (a.s) who was killed by using fire but was given life by Allah (S.W). Some candidates provided fewer facts than required as well as lacked detailed explanations for the mentioned facts. Hence they scored the average marks.

On the other hand, 73 (22.3%) candidates scored 0 to 6 marks which is weak performance. They had insufficient knowledge on respective topic. Some of them failed to meet demand of questions and their responses were wrong. Some candidates explained necessity of life after death instead of justifying the reality of life of hereafter by reffering to historical facts from the Holy Qur'an. These candidates misinterpreted the word 'reality' used in the question. They translated the word to be necessity while aimed to sight those historical facts in the Qur'an which means to bring back life. As a result, they described the life of human being from the death to the day of resurrection. For example, one candidate explained that; to establish justice, to reveal the right path, to punish those who conduct evils, to reward the good evils as well as one to be asked about the bounties given by Allah (s.w).

On top of that some candidates explained relationship between death and day of judgement. Some of the answers explained by these candidates were: The grave become among the place of Jannah to those who follow the things which Allah told us to do in the Islam, The grave become among the place of punishment those who was against with Islamic orders, the life of non believer after death (Christians) and other religion with the punishment forever, the day of judgement will be heavy day where by no one will be able to know another, your good thing and bad things will be measured inorder for you to me given what you suppose to get, as well as Allah will make shadow to those who are conduct good things which Allah told Islamic ummah to do. These candidates lacked knowledge on the respective topic as a result they provided guessed responses. Extract 18.2 is a sample of a response from a candidate who answered incorrectly in this question.

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**Extract 18.2:** A Sample of Incorrect Response in Question 9

In Extract 18.2 the candidate explained the stages human being is supposed to pass after death to heaven instead of justifying the reality of life of hereafter by reffering to historical facts from the Holy Qur'an.

#### 4.0 ANALYSIS OF CANDIDATES' PERFORMANCE IN EACH TOPIC

The Islamic Knowledge Advanced Certificate of Secondary Examination of 2023 had eighteen questions which were constructed from fifteen (15) topics. The analysis of the candidates' responses in each topic shows that the candidates scored high marks in the topics; *The Islamic Legal Science and Criminal Law (96.1%)*, *The Islamic Family Law (83%)*, *Authenticity of the Holy Qur'an (79.1%)*, *Evolution of Islamic State in Meccan Era (66.7%)*, *Qur'anic Concept of Religion (65.6%)* and *Islamic Way of Life (62.5%)*. The candidates performed well in these topics because of their ability to follow the instructions, identify the demands of the questions and good mastery of the subject matter. Moreover, most of these candidates demonstrated good proficiency of English Language in answering the questions that required explanations as they produced grammatical correct and meaningful sentences as well as logical arrangement of essays.

The candidates performed averagely in the topics; The Teachings of Selected Verses (54.2%,) The Islamic State in Caliphate Era (50.7%), The Belief in Allah (s.w) and its implications (49%), Evolution of Islamic State in Meccan Era (48.6%), The Purpose of Life and Life After Death (45.8%), Qur'anic Concept of Education (42.4%) and The Six Pillars of faith (39.3%). The reasons which made the candidates get average performance on these topics were providing fewer points than instructed, mentioning of correct points without satisfactory explanations, mixing up correct with incorrect concepts and insufficient English Language skills.

Further analaysis indicates that, candidates had weak performance on the topics; Rationale of Islam and the Concept of Worship (27.3%), The History of Universe and Mankind (27%) and The History of Islamic State after Caliphate Era (25.4%). The analysis of the candidates' responses suggests that this weak performance on those topics was a result of failure to meet the demand of the question, misconception and misinterpretation of the requirements of the questions and insufficient knowledge of the topics examined. The candidates' performance on the topics for ACSEE 2023 is summarized in Appendix I.

The comparison of candidates' performance between 2022 and 2023 showed that, in 2022; the performance was good in seven (7) topics, average in five (5) topics and weak in three (3) topics while, in 2023 it was good in five (5) topics, average in seven (7) topics and weak in three (3) topics. Therefore, in comparison with 2022 examination, the performance of the candidates in Islamic Knowledge Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (ACSEE) 2023 topic wise has slightly decreased. However, in 2022 examination questions were constructed from fifteen (15) topics the same as in 2023. The candidates' performance has not changed in topics of *Qur'anic Concept of Religion, Authenticity of the Holy Qur'an and The Islamic Legal Science and Criminal law* which where good. While the topics of *The Teachings of Selected Verses* which was average and *The History of Universe and Mankind* which was weak for two years.

In addition, there was an increase of performance of the topics of Islamic Way of Life from average in 2022 to good in 2023, The Belief in Allah (s.w) and its Implications and Six Pillars of Faith from weak in 2022 to average in 2023. There was a decline of performance on topic Qur'anic Concept of Education and The Purpose of Life and Life After from good in 2022 to average performance in 2023. On top of that, the topic Rationale of Islam and the Concept of Worship declined from average in 2022 to weak in 2023.

However, there were four (4) topics which were tested in 2022 but were not tested in 2023. These are *Islam in East Africa, The Islamic State in Madina, Sunnah and Hadith* and *The History of Universe and Mankind*. Apart from that, there were also four (4) topics which were tested in 2023 but were not tested in 2022. These are *The Islamic State in Caliphate Era, Evolution of Islamic State in Meccan Era, The History of Universe and Mankind* and *The History of Islamic State after Caliphate Era*.

The comparison of the analysis of the candidates' performance on each topic for 2022 and 2023 is summarized in Appendix II, where by green colour indicates topics with good performance, yellow colour indicates topics with average performance and red colour indicates topics with weak performance.

#### 5.0 CONCLUSION

Generally, the performance of Islamic Knowledge Examination for Advanced Certificate Secondary Examination (ACSEE) 2023 was average since 53.18 per cent had good performance. This indicates that, nearly half of the candidates were not able to answer correctly due to inadequate knowledge on the topics tested. Most of those candidates had problems in responding to question 6 and 8 in paper 1 which were set from the topics of the *History of Islamic State after Caliphate Era* and *The History of Universe and Mankind* respectively. Also, the candidates failed to answer question 1 and 6 of paper 2 which were set from the topics of *Rationale of Islam and the Concept of Worship* and *The Purpose of Life and Life after Death* respectively.

Furthermore, a thorough analysis of both papers shows that the candidates' performance was good in paper 1 compared to paper 2. The candidates with good performance were able to answer the questions correctly by addressing the tasks of questions and showing competences in the subject matter. Moreover, they wrote and organized well their essays due to their high level of English Language proficiency.

However, the analysis also revealed that, the candidates with weak responses proved to have a number of challenges such as mixing up relevant with irrelevant concepts, provision of less than required points on that particular questions, failure to meet or misinterpret the demands of the question and lack of enough knowledge on the various topics tested.

It is expected that the report will be useful to stakeholders such as prospective candidates, teachers and parents. It is also expected that the report will enable teachers to improve teaching and learning of Islamic knowledge subject. Therefore; future candidates will have better performance.

#### 6.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

In order to improve the performance in this subject, the following are recommended:

- (i) Teachers have to use interactive methods of teching where learners participate fully on the teaching and learning process inorder to familiarize with different concepts of the subject.
- (ii) Teachers should give more tests using difference action verbs and terminologies in measuring different level of understanding of the subject matter.
- (iii) Students should be encouraged to do a critical review of different topics comparatively especially *The Purpose of Life and Life after Death, Islam and the Concept of Worship* and the *History of Islamic State after Caliphate Era* by doing a library research.
- (iv) The Islamic knowledge teachers and students should adhere to the paradigm change in education from mere craming the facts (contents) to realization of the facts studied (competence).

# APPENDIX I

## ANALYSIS OF CANDIDATES' PERFORMANCE IN EACH TOPIC

S/N	Торіс	Number of Questions per Topic	Percentage of Candidates who Scored an Average of 35% or Above	Remarks
1	The Islamic Legal Science and Criminal law.	1	96.1	Good
2	The Islamic Family Law	1	83	Good
3	Authenticity of the Holy Qur'an.	1	79.1	Good
4	Qur'anic Concept of Religion	1	65.6	Good
5	Islamic way of Life	2	62.5	Good
6	The Teachings of Selected Verses	1	54.2	Average
7	The Islamic State in Caliphate Era	1	50.7	average
8	The Belief in Allah (s.w) and its implications	1	49	Average
9	Evolution of Islamic State in Meccan Era	2	48.6	Average
10	The Purpose of Life and Life After Death	2	45.8	Average
11	Qur'anic Concept of Education	1	42.4	Average
12	The Six Pillars of faith	1	39.3	Average
13	Rationale of Islam and the Concept of Worship.	1	27.3	Weak
14	The History of Universe and Mankind	1	27	Weak
15	The History of Islamic State after Caliphate Era	1	25.4	Weak

Appendix II
COMPARISON OF CANDIDATES' PERFOMANCE IN TOPICS
BETWEEN YEAR 2022 AND 2023

		2022		2023			
S/N	Торіс	Number of questions per topic	Percentage of Candidates who scored an average of 35% or above	Remarks	Number of questions per topic	Percentage of Candidates who scored an average of 35% or above	Remarks
1	The Islamic Legal Science and Criminal law.	2	64.2	Good	1	96.1	Good
2	The Islamic Family Law	1	43.9	Average	1	83	Good
3	Authenticity of the Holy Qur'an.	1	80.4	Good	1	79.1	Good
4	Qur'anic Concept of Religion	1	80.8	Good	1	65.6	Good
5	Islamic way of Life	1	48.3	Average	2	62.5	Good
6	The Teachings of Selected Verses	1	55.3	Average	1	54.2	Average
7	The Islamic State in Caliphate Era				1	50.7	average
8	The Belief in Allah (s.w) and its implications	1	27.7	Weak	1	49	Average
9	Evolution of Islamic State in Meccan Era				2	48.6	Average
10	The Purpose of Life and Life After Death	1	60.3	Average	2	45.8	Average
11	Qur'anic Concept of Education	1	80	Good	1	42.4	Average
12	The Six Pillars of faith	1	12.3	Weak	1	39.3	Average
13	Rationale of Islam and the Concept of Worship.	1	48.4	Average	1	27.7	Weak
14	The History of Universe and Mankind	1	24.1	Weak	1	24.1	Weak
15	The History of Islamic State				1	12.3	Weak

	after Caliphate Era					
16	Islam in East Africa	2	61.65	Good		
17	The Islamic State in Madina	1	60	Good		
18	Sunnah and Hadith	1	50.3	Average		
19	The History of Universe and	1	24.1	Weak		
	Mankind	1	24.1	Weak		