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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 7

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Foundations of Ethics with
Special Reference to
Issues in Medical Ethics

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[SRE71]

MONDAY 3 JUNE, MORNING

Time

1 hour 20 minutes, plus your additional time allowance.

Instructions to Candidates

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

Do not write on blank pages.

Complete in black ink only.

Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

Information for Candidates

The total mark for this paper is 100.

Figures in brackets printed at the end of each question indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.

Advice to Candidates

You are advised to take account of the marks for each part question in allocating the available examination time.

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Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A

- 1 (a) Explain the understanding of human reason and apparent goods in Natural Moral Law. [25 marks]

- (b) Assess the claim that Situation Ethics and Natural Moral Law are fundamentally opposed to each other. Justify your answer. [25 marks]

2 (a) In what ways do Bentham and Mill differ as utilitarian moral philosophers?
[25 marks]

(b) “Christians ought to reject utilitarianism because it is not religious.”

To what extent do you agree with this claim?

Justify your answer. [25 marks]

Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a)** “The wish of a person to seek euthanasia should be respected.”

Give an account of the religious and secular responses to this statement.
[25 marks]

- (b)** “Biblical ethics are no longer relevant to developments in medical ethics.”

With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on this view.

Justify your answer. [25 marks]

4 (a) Discuss the moral issues raised by the use of human surrogacy. [25 marks]

(b) “New reproductive technologies should be welcomed as they preserve human dignity.”

With reference to other aspects of human experience, evaluate this view. Justify your answer. [25 marks]

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