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Paper : ARA-3026

**History of Classical Arabic Literature
(Umayyad & Abbasid)**

Full Marks : 80

Time : Three hours

**The figures in the margin indicate
full marks for the questions.**

Answer all questions.

Answer either in English or in Arabic.

**Candidates are required to give answers in
their own words as far as practicable.**

1. Answer the following questions : **(any ten)**

2×10=20

أجب عن الأسئلة الآتية (أي عشرة)

(a) Who is Abdul Hamid Al-Katib ?

(b) Who was the founder of Umayyad
dynasty ?

Contd.

- (c) Who was Ziyad Ibn Abihi ?
- (d) Mention *any two* characteristics of Umar Ibn Abi Rabia's poetry.
- (e) What is *Ghazal*?
- (f) Name *any two* Sufi Arabic poets from Abbasid period.
- (g) Who are the trio poets ?
- (h) Write down *any two* characteristics of the poetry of poet Jarir.
- (i) Define *Fiqh* or Islamic jurisprudence.
- (j) Define *Maqamah* or ornate prose.
- (k) Mention *any two* characteristics of the poetry of Abu Nawas.
- (l) Who is Bashar Ibn Burd ?
- (m) Name *any two* famous books on Hadith literature.
- (n) Mention *any two* books written by Abul A'la Al Ma'ari.
- (o) What is Ibn Al-Muqaffa known for ?

2. Answer **any four** of the following questions:

10×4=40

أجب عن أي أربعة من الأسئلة الآتية

- (a) Discuss the growth and development of Arabic poetry under the Umayyads.
- (b) Discuss the contribution of Ziyad Ibn Abihi in Khitabah literature.
- (c) Discuss the development of *Ghazal* as a new genre of Arabic poetry during the Umayyads.
- (d) "Together with the poets Jarir and al-Farazdaq and al-Akhtal form a famous trio in early Arabic literary history. Because they closely resembled one another in style and vocabulary, their relative superiority was disputed."
Discuss the contribution of Trio poets in the development of Arabic poetry during the Umayyads in light of the above statement.
- (e) Discuss the development of Tafsir literature during the Abbasids.
- (f) Discuss the growth and development of Arabic poetry during the Abbasids.

3. Write short notes on *any four* of the following : 5×4=20

أكتب ملاحظة قصيرة على أي أربعة من الآتية

- (a) حجّاج بن يوسف
- (b) حسن بصري
- (c) بديع الزمان الهمداني
- (d) ابو الطيب المتنبي
- (e) أبو تمام
- (f) الجاحظ