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TRS 407 MAIN EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2019

**TITLE OF PAPER : FAITH AND WISDOM IN THE JEWISH CANON
COURSE CODE : TRS 407
DURATION : 2 Hours**

Marking guide

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Choose and answer three (3) questions in all.
2. Write in clear, grammatically correct sentences.
3. The paper consists of three (3) printed pages including the cover page.
4. All questions carry equal marks.

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Question 1

With reference to the books studied in this course, define what wisdom is and explain the possible sources of wisdom. [20]

Question 2

What does the author of Proverbs say about values of hard work as well as diligence and to what extent do you agree with the writer? [20]

Question 3

Is there any nexus between deeds and consequences according to the reasoning of sages of the Jewish community? [20]

Question 4

What have you to say about Job's charges against God in light of his personal life experiences? Give concrete examples to support your argument. [20]

Question 5

Explain ways in which some Israelite proverbs shed light on the distinctive cultural heritage and thought of this community.

Question 6

Identify and explain the conspicuous parallels between wisdom literature in the Jewish canon and other Ancient Near East texts. [20]