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Paper 2 The human and physical geography of Pakistan

Mark scheme

Specimen

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Level of response marking instructions

Level of response mark schemes are broken down into levels, each of which has a descriptor. The descriptor for the level shows the average performance for the level. There are marks in each level.

Before you apply the mark scheme to a student's answer read through the answer and annotate it (as instructed) to show the qualities that are being looked for. You can then apply the mark scheme.

Step 1 Determine a level

Start at the lowest level of the mark scheme and use it as a ladder to see whether the answer meets the descriptor for that level. The descriptor for the level indicates the different qualities that might be seen in the student's answer for that level. If it meets the lowest level then go to the next one and decide if it meets this level, and so on, until you have a match between the level descriptor and the answer. With practice and familiarity you will find that for better answers you will be able to quickly skip through the lower levels of the mark scheme.

When assigning a level you should look at the overall quality of the answer and not look to pick holes in small and specific parts of the answer where the student has not performed quite as well as the rest. If the answer covers different aspects of different levels of the mark scheme you should use a best fit approach for defining the level and then use the variability of the response to help decide the mark within the level, ie if the response is predominantly level 3 with a small amount of level 4 material it would be placed in level 3 but be awarded a mark near the top of the level because of the level 4 content.

Step 2 Determine a mark

Once you have assigned a level you need to decide on the mark. The descriptors on how to allocate marks can help with this. The exemplar materials used during standardisation will help. There will be an answer in the standardising materials which will correspond with each level of the mark scheme. This answer will have been awarded a mark by the Lead Examiner. You can compare the student's answer with the example to determine if it is the same standard, better or worse than the example. You can then use this to allocate a mark for the answer based on the Lead Examiner's mark on the example.

You may well need to read back through the answer as you apply the mark scheme to clarify points and assure yourself that the level and the mark are appropriate.

Indicative content in the mark scheme is provided as a guide for examiners. It is not intended to be exhaustive and you must credit other valid points. Students do not have to cover all of the points mentioned in the Indicative content to reach the highest level of the mark scheme.

An answer which contains nothing of relevance to the question must be awarded no marks.

Section A The landscape and natural resources of Pakistan

Question	Answer	Total marks
01.1	River Indus/ Indus	1 AO1 = 1

Question	Answer	Total marks
01.2	Kharan	1 AO1 = 1

Question	Answer	Total marks
01.3	C: Grows in saline water	1 AO1 = 1

Question	Answer				
01.4	 Describe one reason earthquakes occur in Pakistan. Award one mark for identifying a valid reason, and one additional mark for relevant further detail. Pakistan lies between the Indian and Eurasian plate (1) so when these move, they create vibrations in the ground (1). Pakistan lies at the intersection of the Indian, Eurasian and Arabian plate (1) which when they move can lead to friction (1). Movement in tectonic plates causing build up of pressure (1) when this is released this leads to seismic waves (1). Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be awarded marks as appropriate. 	2			

Question	Answer					
01.5	 Describe one natural cause of climate change. Award one mark for identifying a valid cause, and one additional mark for relevant further detail. Milankovitch cycles/changes in the earth's orbit (1) which can alter the amount of energy absorbed from the sun (1). Sunspots/solar variation (1) which alter the amount of energy which reaches the earth from the sun (1). Volcanic eruption (1) release large amounts of ash which contributes to global dimming (1). Volcanic eruptions (1) releasing large amounts of CO2 which contribute to the enhanced greenhouse effect (1). Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be awarded marks as appropriate. 	2 AO1 = 2				

	marks
State two sources of renewable energy. Award one mark for identifying any of the following. Apply this criterion twice. Solar Geothermal Wind Hydel/Hydroelectric/Hydropower Biomass/biofuel/bioenergy Tidal Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be	2 AO1 = 2

Question	Answer					
01.7	Identify and explain two reasons for differences in temperature experienced in Pakistan. One mark for identifying each valid reason for difference, and a further mark for each suitable explanation. Maximum of 2 marks for each reason. • Latitude (1) closer to the equator sun rays are more concentrated and so experience warmer temperatures (1). • Altitude (1) at higher altitudes the air is less dense and so absorbs less heat (1). • Maritime effect (1) cool winds from the sea towards the land can have a cooling effect (1). • Seasonal changes (1) as Earth will be tilted towards the sun in some seasons when it experiences higher temperatures (1). Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be	4 AO1 = 2 AO2 = 2				
	awarded marks as appropriate.					

Question			Answer	Total marks
			creased consumption of energy in Pakistan.	
	Level	Mark	Description	
	3	5-6	Detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of the topic.	
			Developed explanations and analysis, supported by examples which are mostly or all relevant.	
	2	3-4	Mostly accurate knowledge and understanding of the topic.	
			Clear explanation(s) and analysis showing partial substantiation, often supported by examples which are generally relevant.	
	1	1-2	Limited knowledge and understanding of the topic.	
01.8			Basic idea(s) identified with little or no further support or development.	6
01.0		0	Nothing written worthy of credit.	AO1 = 3
	to 110 Mtoe a year. Per capita el 2022. Industrialisar various indu 1,221 units, Growth of cir example, La million by 20 utilities, dom Changing coincreased us Experiences increased us	umption 2022 with hergy use tion has le stries. Fo and over ties has le hore has 22. Highe estic use onsumer le of extrer	has risen in Pakistan from around 40 Mtoe in 1990 in consumption continuing to increase around 2.7% in has risen from 2,647 kwh in 1990 to 4,684 in ed to increased demand for use of energy by a rexample, the textile industry has grown to over 450 factories by 2023. Ed to an increased demand for energy. For grown from 3.9 million people in 1990 to 13.9 for populations required increased energy for a transport etc. Inabits lead to increased energy use such as nology and personal transport. The temperatures and heatwaves has led to conditioning units which require electricity.	
	Note: This indicative contents a be awarded marks a		exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should priate.	

Question				Answer	Total marks
			portance of of Pakistar	of mineral extraction for the economic า.	
		Levels	Marks	Description	
		3	7-9	Detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of the topic.	
				Developed explanations and analysis, supported by examples which are mostly or all relevant.	
				Reasoned evaluation leading to a substantiated judgement.	
		2	4-6	Mostly accurate knowledge and understanding of the topic.	
				Clear explanation(s) and analysis showing partial substantiation, often supported by examples which are generally relevant.	
				Some evaluation leading to a partially substantiated judgement.	9
01.9		1	1–3	Limited knowledge and understanding of the topic.	AO1 = 3 AO2 = 3
				Basic idea(s) identified with little or no further support or development.	AO3 = 3
				The judgement, where present, is limited.	
			0	Nothing written worthy of credit.	
	Indica	ative con	tent		
	•	bauxite) marble)	and non-r	ige of metallic resources (such as iron ore, copper, netallic resources (gypsum, rock salt, limestone,	
	•			ve a wide range of uses (iron ore for steel; gypsum of soda ash; limestone for cement making are some	
		example	es) which n	neans there is great potential for generation of profit g of the materials. This could support industrial growth	
		for vario	us product	s. This could lead to additional employment.	
	•		•	s is expensive, particularly those such as coal which underground mines.	
	•	Some means	ninerals are	e located in areas that have poor accessibility which estment is needed for infrastructure for the country to	

- Students may argue that as many of the mineral resources are concentrated in Balochistan, the potential for economic development from mining itself is concentrated in this area.
- Students could emphasise the importance of mineral extraction by arguing how the export of minerals can contribute to GDP.
- Students may also evaluate how a lot of mineral extraction processes are damaging for the environment and to improve the sustainability of these processes large investments are needed.

Section B

The people and economy of Pakistan

Question	Answer	Total marks
02.1	Secondary (sector) / manufacturing	1 AO1 = 1

Question	Marking guidance	Total marks
02.2	D: South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA)	1 AO1 = 1

Question	Marking guidance	Total marks
02.3	 Describe one reason for the negative balance of trade in Pakistan. One mark for identifying a valid reason, and one additional mark for relevant further detail. Greater volume of exports than imports (1) which leads to a trade deficit (1). High exports of low value raw materials such as raw cotton (1) compared to high imports of high value consumer goods such as electronics (1). High imports of fossil fuels (1) as country is not self-sufficient for its energy production (1). Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be awarded marks as appropriate. 	2 AO1 = 2

Question	Marking guidance	Total marks
	State two key exports for Pakistan?	
02.4	One mark for each suitable export listed: Textiles / ready made garments /clothing Cotton Cereals Leather/Footballs Sugar (or sugar products) Mineral fuels (e.g. oil) Salt Cement Limestone Fish Poultry Rice Mangoes Surgical instruments Furniture Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be awarded marks as appropriate.	2 AO1 = 2

Question	Marking guidance	Total marks
	Define the term 'population density'.	
	One mark for a correct definition.	1
02.5	 The number of people that live per square kilometre (km²). 	AO1 = 1
	Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be awarded marks as appropriate.	

Question	Marking guidance	Total marks
	Describe one impact of international migration on Pakistan.	
	One mark for identifying a valid impact, and an additional mark for relevant further detail.	
02.6	 Loss of skilled workers (1) who go abroad and send back remittances (1). Rural isolation (1) as many young workers move abroad for work and study (1). More highly skilled work force (1) as many people have studied abroad (1). Increased cultural diversity (1) as immigrants from other countries bring new foods, cultures and traditions (1). 	2 AO1 = 2
	Note: Impacts can refer to the international migration to or from the country. No credit for references to internal migration such as rural-urban migration.	
	Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be awarded marks as appropriate.	

Question	Marking guidance	Total marks
	Identify and explain two human factors that have affected the rate of urbanisation in Pakistan. One mark for identifying each valid factor, and one additional mark for a	
02.7	 Growth of the secondary and tertiary industries in urban areas (1) which have created job opportunities (1). Decline of employment in the primary sector (1) which means people are moving away from rural areas in order to find work (1). Natural increase (1) as many migrants are young they have started their own families increasing the population (1). Cities typically have better infrastructure/services (1) and this may lead to greater rural-urban migration (1). 	4 AO1 = 2 AO2 = 2
	Note : This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be awarded marks as appropriate.	

Question				Marking guidance		Total marks
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Question				Marking guidance	Total marks
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		3	7-9	Detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of the topic. Developed explanations and analysis of both bullet points, supported by examples which are mostly or all relevant. Reasoned evaluation leading to a substantiated judgement.	
02.9		2	4-6	Mostly accurate knowledge and understanding of the topic. Clear explanation and analysis showing partial substantiation of one or both bullet points, often supported by examples which are generally relevant. Some evaluation leading to a partially substantiated judgement.	9 AO1 = 3 AO2 = 3 AO3 = 3
		1	1–3	Limited knowledge and understanding of the topic. Basic idea(s) identified relating to one or both bullet points with little or no further support or development. The judgement, where present, is limited.	
			0	Nothing written worthy of credit.	
	Indicative content				
	•	Balochis human Topogra Indus flo	stan is sigr factors tha aphy: Area	v is highest in Punjab and Sindh, followed by KPK. nificantly lower. There are a range of physical and t can affect population density. s with higher density tend to be the flat plains such as Punjab and Sundh rather than the mountainous areas eas.	

- Soil: fertile soils support the growth of crops such as in the Indus floodplain. Areas that have thin soils and little opportunity for vegetation such as the Balochistan plateau have lower population densities.
- Climate: higher population densities tend to be found in areas with more reliable rainfall and where possible moderate temperatures such as Northern Punjab and parts of KPK.
- Water supply: areas close to river such as the Indus, Dasht, Jhelum, or Chenab provide water for various uses.
- Irrigated land: availability of water supports the need for irrigation. Areas that have capacity for modern irrigation methods support higher population densities.
- Availability of jobs: towns and cities tend have the highest concentration of jobs. Areas such as Balochistan and Northern mountains have fewer industries and therefore low population densities.
- Transport infrastructure: Punjab and Sindh have the most dense transport networks for road and rail. Peshawar and Quetta are located at gaps in mountainous areas which allow transportation routes. Some areas of Pakistan such as the Northern mountains are very rugged which makes creating transport routes difficult leading to low population densities.
- Availability of utilities/services: densely populated districts in Punjab and Sindh tend to be where the highest availability of services and utilities can be found.
- Students may seek to compare/ relate the given factors in order to judge their relative importance of the given factors for population density. They may argue that physical factors are of greater importance, or they may assign greater importance to human factors.

Section C

Globalisation, transport and communication in Pakistan

Question	Marking guidance							
	State two characteristics of a transnational corporation (TNC). One mark for each suitable feature.							
03.1	 Operates/located in more than one country. Send profits back to country of headquarters. Aim to maximise profits and reduce costs. Supply chains across several countries. Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be awarded marks as appropriate.	2 AO1 = 2						

Question	Marking guidance	Total marks
03.2	Identify and explain two impacts of globalisation on Pakistan. One mark for identifying each valid impact, and a further mark for a related explanation. Maximum of two marks per impact. • Greater foreign direct investment (1) which can lead to increased Gross Domestic Product (GDP) (1). • Increased availability of jobs (1) which can improve standards of living (1). • Increased exposure to global brands (1) which can support demand for a wider range of consumer goods (1). • Potential for environmental degradation (1) if companies exploit natural resources such as water supplies (1). • Potential for exploitation of labour (1) where companies require workers to work long hours or for low pay (1). • Erosion of local cultures (1) as global brands can cause local businesses to close (1). Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be awarded marks as appropriate.	4 AO1 = 2 AO2 = 2

Question				Marking guidance	Total marks
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	3		5-6	Detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of the topic.	
				Developed explanations and analysis, supported by examples which are mostly or all relevant.	
	2		3-4	Mostly accurate knowledge and understanding of the topic.	
				Clear explanation(s) and analysis showing partial substantiation, often supported by examples which are generally relevant.	
	1		1-2	Limited knowledge and understanding of the topic.	
03.3				Basic idea(s) identified with little or no further support or development.	6 AO1 = 3
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	•			peen significantly affected by topography but is also ulation density.		

- Developing road networks would allow access to areas of the country that are not well connected. This could increase jobs, trade, business opportunities.
- Increased capacity for lorries to transports goods to support growth in industry.
- Potential to reduce travel times which means a greater volume of goods could be transported.
- Potential for reduced congestion if there is a broader road network available.
- Development of roads would lead to greater congestion and contribute to increased air pollution.
- Road maintenance is expensive, so it is not just the initial cost of expanding the road network which is required.
- Development of other transport networks including air, rail or ports could support economic development.
- Supporting developments in the renewable energy sector could provide greater energy security which is more important than improving transport routes.
- Students may argue that the development of road networks is the most important priority because of the positive impact that this would have on other areas of the economy of Pakistan.
- Students may argue against the statement by emphasising the limitations of developing road networks, or by showing how other priorities are more important.

Section C Creating a sustainable future for Pakistan

Question	Marking guidance							
04.1	State two causes of deforestation in Pakistan. One mark for each suitable cause. Logging/timber industry Clearing of land for agriculture/cattle farming Development of infrastructure Urbanisation Forest fires Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be awarded marks as appropriate.	2 AO1 = 2						

Question	Marking guidance							
04.2	Identify and explain two impacts of desertification in Pakistan. One mark identifying each valid impact, and an additional mark for a related explanation. Maximum of two marks for each impact. • Loss of biodiversity (1) as habitats destroyed (1). • Reduced crop yields (1) due to soil erosion (1). • Crop failure (1) can lead to poverty/food shortages/food insecurity (1). • Loss of soil fertility (1) which can reduce crop production (1). Note: This indicative content is not exhaustive, other creditworthy responses should be awarded marks as appropriate.	4 AO1 =2 AO2 = 2						

Indicative content Increased frequency/severity of extreme weather events including tropical storms, erratic monsoons, and flood events. Melting of glaciers has contributed to flood events. The floods in 2022, which caused Rs 3.3 trillion of damage and killed over 1,700 people were partly caused by glacial meltwater. Pakistan's projected temperatures are expected to be higher than the global average. The frequency of hot days and hot nights is expected to increase. Pakistan has already experienced intensified heatwaves. In May 2022 temperatures reached 51°C. Higher temperatures have led to increased consumption of energy to run air conditioners. Sea level rise is experienced at around 1.1mm per year on the Karachi coastline. Sea level rise is likely to affect the low-lying areas along the Karachi coastline leading to potential flooding and soil erosion. As a country dependent on agriculture, changing temperatures and rainfall, as well as possibility of flooding will impact ability to maintain crop yields. It is estimated that by 2040 climate change impacts may contribute	Question				Marking guidance	Total marks		
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	 The Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) define food security as 'a situation that exists when all people, at all times, have physical, social, and economic access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food that meets their dietary needs'. World Food Programme (WFP) estimates that 20.5% of Pakistan's population is under-nourished with 36.9% of the population facing food insecurity. 							

- The country is a food surplus country as it is a major producer of wheat, but there is limited access for the most vulnerable groups in the population to sufficient food supplies.
- Households in Pakistan spend around 50.8% of monthly income on food which makes them vulnerable to shocks in supply chains and changes in food process.
- Pakistan is vulnerable to the impacts of climate change on agricultural production. Improving resilience to the impacts of climate change are important to ensure food security.
- Food security has economic implications. If population cannot ensure self-sufficiency it may require greater resources for interventions from the government which would drain resources from development in other areas. Malnutrition already is estimated to cost the economy around 3% of it's GDP (linked to infant mortality rates, reduced productivity and loss of future labour force).
- Students may argue for the statement, for example that food security is a fundamental need for the country in order to have a healthy workforce to reduce poverty and drive wider economic development.
- Students may argue against the statement by showing how other priorities are more important for economic development.