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2nd Week Test

Q1)

i) Female harassment at workplaces
exposes deeper social fault-lines

(a) This is an expository essay.

(b) The topic is clearly close-ended,
meaning that it expects the audience
to explore its different dimensions,
namely how workplace gender biases
expose social fault-lines.

Primary focus = Expose

Secondary focus = Deeper social fault-lines

Background = female harassment

ii) Is Pakistan facing the challenge
of hybrid warfare efficiently?

(a) This is an argumentative essay.

(b) The topic is marked by binary

thinking. We are supposed to take a
stance (thesis) and then present anti-thesis & synthesis.

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iii) Choose your friends wisely but choose your enemies even more carefully.

(a) This is an abstract essay.

(b) The topic is open-ended, meaning that it can be interpreted in any way. Personally, if I were to write the topic, I would deal with it at state level.

iv) Mankind faces the challenge of using Artificial Intelligence responsibly

(a) This is an argumentative essay.

(b) I think it is too early to say that AI is a challenge. So, the topic can be divided into three parts: thesis, antithesis, and synthesis.

v) ~~Online~~ Online education has given more opportunities than challenges

(a) This is an argumentative essay.

(b) The essay is debatable which is why it is argumentative.

vi) Over-dependence on nuclear balance of power is misleading

(a) This is an argumentative essay

(b) Again, one could go against the statement by saying that over-dependence on nuclear balance of power is what maintains peace among nation-states.

vii) A friend walks in when everyone else walks out

(a) This is an abstract essay

(b) It can be interpreted in any way.

viii) Is loyalty to the nation and loyalty to the state same?

(a) This is an ~~abstract~~ ^{argumentative} essay.

(b) Can be argued in both ways.

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ix) Commercialization of education in Pakistan as challenge to intellectual development

(a) This is an expository essay.

(b) It is fixed and cannot be discussed outside the given scope.

x) Turning a blind eye to military adventurism as a threat to the environment

(a) This is an expository essay.

(b) Again, we are supposed to explore different dimensions of the topic.

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Outlines - Section #1

(B) Globalization and climate change
are interrelated

OUTLINE

1. Introduction

Thesis statement:

2. The dynamics of globalization

(a) A marked increase in trade
and transnational corporations

(b) The demise of the nation state

3. The aspects of climate change

(a) The intensification of extreme
weather patterns

(b) The rising sea levels

4. The interrelation of globalization and climate change

(i) The impact of globalization
on climate change

(a) Increased carbon emissions

(b) Deforestation and land-use change

(c) Energy consumption

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- (d) Waste generation and global trade
- (e) Ecosystems and loss of biodiversity
- (f) Challenges in climate policy
- (ii) Climate change reversing the gains of globalisation
 - (a) Increased migration and social tensions
 - (b) Disruption to supply chains
 - (c) Economic losses and instability

5. Way forward:

- (a) Green economy and investment opportunities
- (b) Resilient and sustainable supply chains
- (c) climate-driven policy and cooperation
- (d) Focus on social and environmental justice

6. Conclusion

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Is Commercialisation the biggest ill of media?

OUTLINE

1. Introduction

Thesis statement:

2. Launch Paragraph

3. Commercialisation is undermining the role of media as a fourth pillar of state (Thesis)

(a) The prioritisation of corporate interests over authentic content creation

(b) The failure to expose the commercial sector due to entrenched powers

(c) Commercial preoccupations compromising the process of authenticating news

(d) The dominance of the advertisement industry over media houses

(e) Profit-seeking media enterprises: an hindrance to making an informed citizenry

4. In spite of the loopholes, media has reassessed its importance (Antithesis)

(a) Corporate interests and authentic content creation are not mutually exclusive

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(b) Despite the shortcomings, media has exposed many commercial power-wielders

(c) News authentication has altogether different media policies

(d) The reassertion of media houses in the face of the advertisement industry

(e) Regardless of the enterprise, the general become has become more aware

5. The net effect is that commercialisation has taken a heavy toll on media (synthesis)

(a) Despite running parallel, corporate interests overshadow all aspects of media

(b) The limitations of the media sector in the face of commercial powers

(c) Media policies converge when commercialisation takes precedence over news authentication

(d) Advertisements have made people passive recipients

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(e) The awareness has not expanded to other critical domains

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