



National Officers Academy
Mock-8 for CSS-2024
January 2024
GENERAL KNOWLEDGE-II
(CURRENT AFFAIRS)

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS PART-I(MCQS): MAXIMUM 30 MINUTES	PART-I (MCQS) PART-II	MAXIMUM MARKS = 20 MAXIMUM MARKS = 80
NOTE: <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Part-II is to be attempted on the separate Answer Book.ii. Attempt ONLY FOUR questions from PART-II. ALL questions carry EQUAL marks.iii. All the parts (if any) of each Question must be attempted at one place instead of at different places.iv. Write Q. No. in the Answer Book in accordance with Q. No. in the Q. Paper.v. No Page/Space be left blank between the answers. All the blank pages of Answer Book must be crossed.vi. Extra attempt of any question or any part of the question will not be considered.		

SUBJECTIVE PART — PART-II

- Q. 2.** India-Middle East Europe Economic Corridor is projected as a competitor to the Belt and Road Initiative of China. Critically evaluate the potential and the future prospects of the two projects.
- Q. 3.** China and Pakistan are celebrating the Decade of CPEC. Critically evaluate success and failures of the project.
- Q. 4.** KSA- Iran rapprochement would have far reaching positive implications on the conflicts in the Middle East but would also have far reaching impacts on Pakistan. Discuss.
- Q. 5.** SIFC is expecting huge foreign direct investment in Pakistan from Middle East and China. How do you see the chance of investment in Pakistan?
- Q. 6.** How do you see Pak-Afghan relations in the wake of repeated attacks by TTP and ISKP in Pakistan using Afghan land against Pakistan and in return Islamabad decided to pull out Afghan refugees?
- Q. 7.** The socio- economic future of Pakistan is directly linked with reforms in the power sector. Analyze.
- Q. 8.** Critically evaluate the causes of US crisis. What do you think how it would affect US global leadership in the days to come.

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Current Affairs

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Q The Socio-economic future of Pakistan is directly linked with reforms in the Sector power Sector

Ans:

Reforms in the Power Sector can significantly impact the Socio-economic future of Pakistan. A stable and efficient power sector is crucial for various reasons:

1 Industrial Growth:

Reliable and affordable electricity is vital for industrial development. A well-functioning power sector supports manufacturing and industrial activities leading to economic growth and job creation.

2 Business Competitiveness:

Businesses, both large and small, depend on a stable power supply. Reforms that improve the reliability of electricity contribute to the competitiveness of businesses in the global market.

(3) Infrastructure Development:

Adequate power supply is essential for infrastructure development. It supports the construction and maintenance of facilities such as schools, hospitals and transportation networks, contributing to the well-being of communities.

4 Environmental Sustainability: Reforms that promote cleaner and renewable energy sources contribute to environmental sustainability.

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In Summary, the power sector plays a pivotal role in shaping the socio-economic future of Pakistan. Well-planned and implemented reforms can lead to a more resilient, sustainable and inclusive economic development trajectory.



Q3 China and Pakistan are celebrating the Decade of CPEC. Critically evaluate success and failure of projects

A CPEC is complex and multifaceted. Evaluating its complex impact require a nuanced understanding of economic, social, political and environments factors. Additionally, developments and assessments may have evolved since
Successes

1 Infrastructure Development

CPEC has led to the construction and enhancement of major infrastructure projects, including roads, ports and energy facilities.

These projects can develop connectivity, trade and economic growth.

2 Energy projects

CPEC has addressed Pakistan energy crisis by initiating various power projects contributing to increased electricity.

- generation and reducing power shortages.
- 3 Diplomatic Relations.
- 3 The projects has strengthened diplomatic ties between China and Pakistan fostering CPEC collaboration in various sectors beyond infrastructure.

Potential failures:

1 Debt Concern:

CPEC has faced criticism crisis criticism for the potential debt burden in Pakistan. There are concerns about the sustainability of the loans and the impact on the country's fiscal health.

(2) Local opposition: Certain local communities and regions have expressed concerns about the social-economic and environmental impact of CPEC projects, leading to protests and disputes.

(3) Uneven development:

There are concerns that the benefits of CPEC projects may not be distributed evenly across different regions of Pakistan, potentially exacerbating regional disparities.

Q8 Critically evaluate the cause of US Crisis. what do you think how it would affect US global leadership in the days to come?

Potential Causes.

- 1 Political Polarization. Deep political divisions and polarization within the United States have led to challenges in governance.
- 2 Economic inequality. Income and wealth inequality have been persistent issues with implications for social cohesion and economic opportunities.
- 3 Racial & Social justice issues. Ongoing discussions and protests related to racial injustice and social inequality have highlighted division. Systemic change.

Impact on US. Goals & leadership

- 1 Domestic Policy Reforms
- 2 Global leadership
- (3) Innovation and Adaptation
- (4) Social cohesion
- (5) Sustainable Practices:

