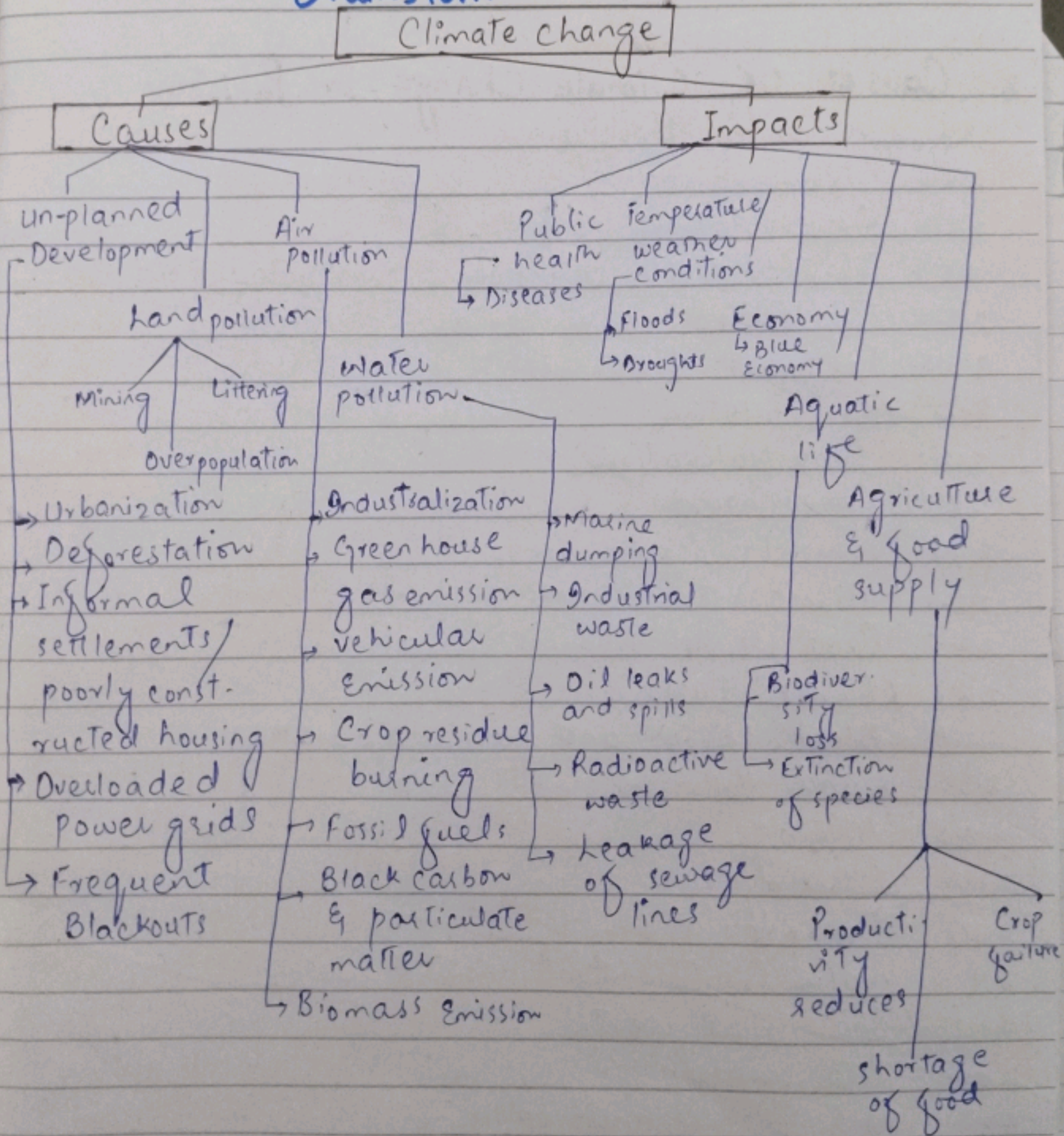


Topic: Causes And Impacts Of Climate Change On Pakistan

Brainstorm



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2. Causes of Climate Change In Pakistan

2.1 Un-planned Development

2.1.1 Urbanization

2.1.2 Deforestation

2.1.3 Informal settlements/poorly constructed housing

2.1.4 Overloaded power grids

2.1.5 Frequent blackouts

2.2 Air Pollution

2.2.1 Industrialization

2.2.2 Green house gas emission

2.2.3 Vehicular emission

2.2.4 Biomass emission

2.2.5 Crop residue burning

2.2.6 Fossil fuels

2.2.7 Black carbon and particulate matter

2.3 Land Pollution

2.3.1 Mining

2.3.2 Littering

2.3.3 Overpopulation

2.4 Water Pollution/Contaminated water

2.4.1 Industrial waste

2.4.2 Marine dumping

2.4.3 Oil leaks and spills

2.4.4 Radioactive waste

2.4.5 Leakage of sewage lines

3 Impacts of Climate Change On Pakistan

- 3.1 Impacts On Weather Conditions
 - 3.1.1 Torrential Rainfalls
 - 3.1.2 Irregular floods
 - 3.1.3 Landslides
 - 3.1.4 Un-usual fogs
 - 3.1.5 Sea level rise
 - 3.1.6 Global warming / Heat waves
 - 3.1.7 Droughts
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- 3.2 Impacts On Public Health
 - 3.2.1 Respiratory disorders
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 - 3.4.2 Decline of fisheries (threat to blue economy)
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 - 3.5.5 Loss of nutrients
 - 3.5.6 Soil erosion

Essay:

"Sirens are blaring across all major indicators. Some records are not just chart topping, they are chart busting and changes are speeding up". Antonio Guterres. The earth's climate has been evolving since it came into being. However, extreme climatic events have been observed in 21st century mainly due to increasing influence of human activities (burning fossil fuels, deforestation and greenhouse gas emission), and these have highlighted climate change as a global concern. Climate change refers to long term changes in average weather pattern on earth. It is hitting water resources of world, heat waves are more frequent and rainfall patterns are shifting due to global warming affecting some nations more than others in terms of magnitude and rate of change. Climate change influences South Asian monsoon, impacting agriculture, water resources and socio-economic stability. According to Global climate risk index Pakistan is one of the most vulnerable nations when it comes to effects of climate change over past 2 decades with eighth rank among most affected countries though being minor contributor of green house effect. The causes of climate change in Pakistan include un-planned development, land pollution, air pollution and water pollution which create impacts on public health, aquatic life, economy, agriculture and food supply and weather conditions. Effective management strategies are needed to mitigate risks.