

PAPER: CURRENT AFFAIRS AND PAKISTAN AFFAIRS (150 MARKS)

CURRENT AFFAIRS (75 Marks)

Candidates will be expected to display such general knowledge of history, politics and International Affairs, as deemed necessary to interpret current affairs.

I. Pakistan's Domestic Affairs (15 marks)

Political
Economic
Social

II. Pakistan's External Affairs (30 marks)

Pakistan's relations with its Neighbors (India, China, Afghanistan, Russia)
Pakistan's relations with the Muslim World (Iran, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Turkey)
Pakistan's relations with the United States
Pakistan's relations with Regional and International Organizations (UN, SAARC, ECO, OIC, WTO, CW)

III. Global Issues (30 marks)

International Security
International Political Economy
Human Rights
Environment: Global Warming, Kyoto Protocol, Copenhagen Accord
Population: world population trends, world population policies
Terrorism and Counter Terrorism
Global Energy Politics
Nuclear Proliferation and Nuclear Security
Nuclear Politics in South Asia
International Trade (Doha Development Round and Bali Package)
Cooperation and Competition in Arabian Sea, Indian and Pacific Oceans.
Millennium Development Goals, Current Status,
Globalization
Middle East Crisis
Kashmir Issue
Palestine Issue

PAKISTAN AFFAIRS (75 Marks)

- I. Ideology of Pakistan-----definition and elucidation, historical aspects: Muslim rule in the Sub-Continent, its downfall and efforts for Renaissance. Movements for reforms- Shaikh Ahmad Sarhindi, Shah Waliullah, Sayyid Ahmad Shaheed, Aligarh, Deoband, Nadwah, and other educational institutions-----Sindh Madrassah and Islamia College Peshawae. Ideology of Pakistan in the light of Speeches and statements of Allama Iqbal and Quaid- i Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah.
- II. Land and people of Pakistan - ---- Geography, Society, Natural Resources, Agriculture, Industry and education with reference to characteristics, trends and problems.
- III. Pakistan and Changing Regional Apparatus
- IV. Nuclear Program of Pakistan, its Safety and Security; International Concerns
- V. Regional Economic Cooperation (SAARC,ECO,SCO) and the Role of Pakistan
- VI. Civil-Military Relations in Pakistan
- VII. Economic Challenges in Pakistan
- VIII. Non-Traditional Security Threats in Pakistan: Role of Non-State Actors
- IX. Pakistan's Role in the Region
- X. The Palestine Issue
- XI. Changing Security Dynamics for Pakistan: Challenges to National Security of Pakistan.
- XII. Political Evolution Since 1971
- XIII. Pakistan and US War on Terror
- XIV. Foreign Policy of Pakistan Post 9/11
- XV. Evolution of Democratic System in Pakistan
- XVI. Ethnic Issues and National Integration
- XVII. Hydro Politics ; Water Issues in Domestic and Regional Context
- XVIII. Pakistan's National Interest
- XIX. Challenges to Sovereignty
- XX. Pakistan's Energy Problems and their Effects
- XXI. Pakistan's Relations with Neighbors excluding India
- XXII. Pakistan and India Relations Since 1947 XXIII.
- XXIII. The Kashmir Issue
- XXIV. The war in Afghanistan since 1979 and its impact on, and challenges to Pakistan, in the Post 2014 era.
- XXV. Proxy Wars: Role of External Elements
- XXVI. Economic Conditions of Pakistan, the Most Recent Economic Survey, the Previous and Current Budgets, and the Problems and Performance of Major Sectors of Economy.
- XXVII. The Recent Constitutional and Legal Debates, the Latest Constitutional Amendments and Important Legislations, Legal Cases and the Role of Higher Courts.

- XXVIII. The Prevailing Social Problems of Pakistan and the Strategies to Deal with Them, Poverty, Education, Health and Sanitation.

SUGGESTED READINGS (CURRENT AFFAIRS)

S.No.	Title	Author
1.	Pakistan Foreign Policy 1947-2005: A Concise History, 2011	Abdul Sattar,
2.	Issue in Pakistan's Economy, 2010	Akbar S. Zaidi
3.	Pakistan: A Hard Country, 2012	Anatol Lieven
4.	Government & Politics in South Asia, 6th ed., 2009	Baxter, Malik, Kennedy & Oberst,
5.	Introduction to International Political Economy, 2010	David Balaam & Bradford Dillman
6.	International Organization (Second Edition) 2012	Volker Rittberger, Bernhard Zangl and Andress Kruck
7.	The Age of Deception: Nuclear Diplomacy in Treacherous Times (2011)	Mohamed Elbaradei
8.	International Relations, 2012	Joshua Goldstein
9.	World Politics: Trends & Transformation, 2011	Kegley & Blanton
10.	Pakistan Beyond the Crisis, 2011	Maleeha Lodhi
11.	Globalization in Question, 2009	Paul Hirst
12.	International Political Economy: Interests & Institutions in the Global Economy, 2010	Thomas Oatley
13.	Politics and Change in the Middle East, 10th Ed., Pearson, 2012	Andersen, Seibert, and Wagner
14.	Eating Grass: The Making of the Pakistani Bomb, (2012)	Feroz Khan
15.	Pakistan and World Affairs	Shamshad Ahmad (Edition-2015)
16.	World Times Magazine	

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S.No.	Title	Author
1.	Federalism and Ethnic Conflict Regulation in India and Pakistan.	Adeney, Katharine. , New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2007.
2.	Labor, Democratization and Development in India and Pakistan.	Candland, Christopher, New York: Routledge, 2007.
3.	Perception, Politics and Security in South Asia: The Compound Crisis in 1990.	Chari, P.R. at al, New York: Routledge, 2003.
4.	The Future of Pakistan.	Cohen Stephen P. et al. Washington: Brookings Institute Press, 2011.
5.	Frontline Pakistan: The Struggle with Militant Islam.	Hussian, Zahid. New York: I.B.Tauris, 2007.
6.	Modern South Asia: History, Culture, Political Economy.	Jalal, Aisha and Bose, Sugata. New York: Routledge, 1998.
7.	Democracy and Authoritarianism in South Asia.	Jalal, Aisha, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1995.
8.	Conflict Between India and Pakistan: an Encyclopedia.	Lyon, Peter. California: ABC-CLIO, 2008.
9.	Back to Pakistan: A Fifty Year Journey.	Mass, Leslie Noyes. Plymouth: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2011.
10.	Judging the State: Courts and Constitutional Politics in Pakistan.	Newberg, Paula R. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1995.
11.	Pakistan: Manifest Destiny.	Qureshi, Atiff. London: Epic Press, 2009.
12.	Pakistan, America, and the Future of Global Jihad.	Riedel, Bruce. Deadly Embrace: Washington: Brookings Institute Press, 2011.
13.	Kashmir in Conflict: India, Pakistan and the Unending War.	Schofield, Victoria. New York: I.B.Tauria, 2003.
14.	Islamic Law and the Law of Armed Conflict: The Armed Conflict in Pakistan.	Shah, Niaz A. New York: Routledge, 2011.
15.	Making Sense of Pakistan.	Shaikh, Farzana. New York: Colombia University Press, 2009.
16.	A Brief History of Pakistan.	Wynbrandt, James. New York: Infobase Publishing, 2009.
17.	Powering Pakistan: Meetings Pakistan Energy Needs in 21 st Century	Robert M. Hathaway and Michael Gugelman
18.	Pakistan's Energy Sector: From Crisis to Crisis-Breaking the Chain	Zaid Alahdad