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Paper 4 Advanced Human Geography Options

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)
Insert (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **four** questions in total:
Answer questions from **two** options.
For **each** option, follow the instructions inside on which questions to answer.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.
- Sketch maps and diagrams should be drawn whenever they serve to illustrate an answer.
- You should make reference to appropriate examples studied in the field or the classroom, even where such examples are not specifically requested by the question.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The insert contains all the resources referred to in the questions.

LICs = low income countries.

MICs = middle income countries.

HICs = high income countries.

This document has **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.



Answer questions from **two** different options.

Production, location and change

If answering this option, answer Question 1 and **either** Question 2 **or** Question 3.

- 1 Fig. 1.1 shows the current land use of large areas of land that have changed from informal land tenure to formal land tenure, 2007–2021.
- (a) Describe the distribution of land use types shown in Fig. 1.1. [4]
- (b) Explain **two** political factors affecting agricultural land use and practices on farms. [6]
- 2 For your case study of **one** country, evaluate the success of attempts to manage agricultural change. [20]
- 3 ‘Technology is the most important factor affecting the location of manufacturing and related service industry.’
- With reference to one or more examples, to what extent do you agree with this statement? [20]

Environmental management

If answering this option, answer Question 4 and **either** Question 5 **or** Question 6.

- 4 Fig. 4.1 shows carbon capture and storage (CCS) facilities in different world regions, 2023.
- (a) Compare the distribution of operational and under construction CCS facilities with the distribution of planned CCS facilities as shown in Fig. 4.1. [4]
- (b) Explain **two** reasons why some countries rely on the use of fossil fuels. [6]
- 5 ‘Hydroelectric power (HEP) offers a sustainable solution for issues in energy production.’
- With reference to one or more examples, to what extent do you agree with this statement? [20]
- 6 ‘Environments at risk can be protected by effective management.’
- With reference to one or more examples, how far do you agree with this statement? [20]

Global interdependence

If answering this option, answer Question 7 and **either** Question 8 **or** Question 9.

- 7 Fig. 7.1 shows the contribution of tourism to gross domestic product (GDP), for selected countries, in 2018.
- (a) Compare the contribution of tourism to gross domestic product (GDP) for the countries shown in Fig. 7.1. [4]
- (b) Explain **two** impacts of the tourism multiplier effect. [6]
- 8 Assess the extent to which international debt is a problem for some countries. [20]
- 9 For **one** tourist area or resort, evaluate the issues of sustainability it faces. [20]

Economic transition

If answering this option, answer Question 10 and **either** Question 11 **or** Question 12.

- 10 Fig. 10.1 shows the number of operations of an Indian transnational corporation (TNC) in 2023.
- (a) Describe the spatial organisation of the TNC shown in Fig. 10.1. [4]
- (b) Explain **two** benefits to transnational corporations (TNCs) of outsourcing their manufacturing. [6]
- 11 Evaluate the relative importance of the factors in the emergence and growth of one or more newly industrialised countries (NICs). [20]
- 12 Evaluate the success of the attempts to overcome regional disparities in **one** country you have studied. [20]

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