

PIDE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

MS IN PUBLIC POLICY

SAMPLE ENTRANCE EXAM PAPER

<i>Entrance Exam Structure</i>		
Category	Questions (No.)	Weightage in Total Grade (%)
1. Multiple Choice Questions on topics related to:		80
I. Pakistan Economy	10	20
II. Mathematics	10	20
III. General Knowledge	10	20
IV. Analytical Skills	2	20
2. Essay Question	1	20
Total		100

Section I: Pakistan Economy

1. The largest sector of the economy (in terms of contribution to GDP) is:
 - a. Agriculture
 - b. Manufacturing
 - c. Services
 - d. Commodity Producing

2. Pakistan's largest export (in terms of revenue) is:
 - a. Automobiles
 - b. Textiles
 - c. Electronics
 - d. Foodstuff

3. What is the amount that the government allocated for development spending in federal budget 2014-15?
 - a. PKR 320 thousand
 - b. PKR 430 million
 - c. PKR 540 billion
 - d. PKR 620 trillion

(contd.)

PIDE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

MS IN PUBLIC POLICY

Section II: Mathematics

1. Public debt of country X is 5 billion and increases by 1 billion every year. How much will the public debt be 6 years from now:
 - a. 5 billion
 - b. 7 billion
 - c. 9 billion
 - d. 11 billion

2. What is the annual growth rate of a series between 1990 and 2000 (10 years) if it increased from 10 million to 18 million
 - a. 4 %
 - b. 6 %
 - c. 8 %
 - d. 10%

3. What is solution to: $3+3/3-3$?
 - a. 0
 - b. -3
 - c. 6
 - d. ∞

(contd.)

PIDE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

MS IN PUBLIC POLICY

Section III: General Knowledge

4. Who is the current foreign minister of the United States?
 - a. William Hague
 - b. John Kerry
 - c. Barrack Obama
 - d. Hillary Clinton

5. What does NATO stands for?
 - a. No Action, Talk Only
 - b. National Association of Taxi Owners
 - c. North Atlantic Treaty Organization
 - d. North Atlantic Terrorist Organization

6. Who is the current Secretary General of United Nations?
 - a. William Jefferson Clinton
 - b. Christine Lagarde
 - c. Jim Yong Kim
 - d. Ban Ki-moon

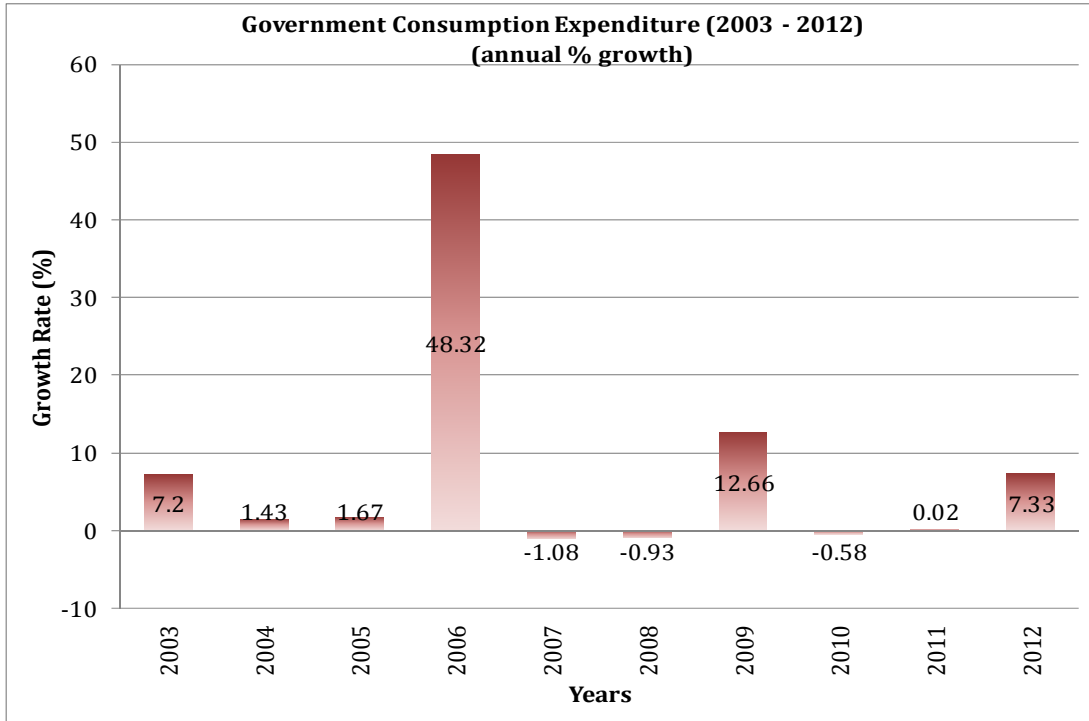
(contd.)

PIDE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

MS IN PUBLIC POLICY

Section IV: Analytical Skills

1. Describe and analyse in 100 words (maximum), the data and trends evident in the graph below:



(contd.)

PIDE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

MS IN PUBLIC POLICY

2. Describe and analyse in 100 words (maximum), the key details and trends that can be inferred from the table below:

Table 10.2: Progress towards Goal 2 by 2012-13 at Provincial Level (percentage)

Indicators	National	Punjab	Sindh	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	Balochistan
Net Primary Enrolment Rate (5-9 Years)	Total: 57 Male: 61 Female: 54	Total: 62 Male: 64 Female: 60	Total: 52 Male: 56 Female: 48	Total: 54 Male: 59 Female: 48	Total: 45 Male: 54 Female: 35
Completion/Survival Rate 1 grade to 5	-	-	-	-	-
Literacy Rate (%) 10 years and above	Total: 60 Male: 71 Female: 48	Total: 62 Male: 71 Female: 54	Total: 60 Male: 72 Female: 47	Total: 52 Male: 70 Female: 35	Total: 44 Male: 62 Female: 23

Source: Pakistan Social and Living Standards Measurement (PSLM) Survey 2012-13

(contd.)

PIDE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

MS IN PUBLIC POLICY

Essay Question

In 300 words, give your opinion on the impact of the Hamid Mir incident on the media landscape in the country in the coming months.

OR

In 300 words, describe Pakistan's performance in achieving the MDG goals, and where you think the deficiency (if any) lies that inhibits the country's ability to achieve those goals.

Total Exam Duration: ~ 75 minutes