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GEOGRAPHY**9696/41**

Paper 4 Advanced Human Geography Options

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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 Figure 1.1 shows the global use of selected agricultural crops in 2020.
 - (a) Compare the uses of the agricultural crops shown in Figure 1.1. [4]
 - (b) Explain how **two** physical factors affect agricultural practices on farms. [6]
 - 2 'The success of attempts to manage agricultural change depends on involvement at the **local scale**.'
- With reference to one or more examples, how far do you agree with this statement? [20]
- 3 With reference to **one** country's industrial policy, assess the extent to which the issues faced led to changes in location of manufacturing industry. [20]

Environmental management

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

- 4 Figure 4.1 shows the percentage of electricity produced by nuclear energy, by country, in 2023.
 - (a) Describe the distribution of electricity produced by nuclear energy shown in Figure 4.1. [4]
 - (b) Explain **two** advantages for a country of using nuclear energy to produce electricity. [6]
 - 5 Assess the extent to which levels of development influence the demand for energy at the national scale. [20]
 - 6 'The main cause of water pollution is economic development.'
- With reference to 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** Figure 7.1 shows primary product export dependence for countries in each world region in 2019.
- (a) Describe the pattern of primary product export dependence shown in Figure 7.1. [4]
- (b) Explain the problems for a country of exporting mostly primary products. [6]
- 8** Assess the extent to which lenders are the main cause of the international debt crisis. [20]
- 9** With reference to **one** tourist area or resort, assess the extent to which changes in tourist numbers cause issues of sustainability. [20]

Economic transition

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

- 10** Figure 10.1 shows the change in gross domestic product (GDP) per capita, by state, in Brazil, an MIC in South America, 2010–18. Figure 10.2 shows the names of the states of Brazil.
- (a) Describe the pattern of change in GDP per capita shown in Figure 10.1. [4]
- (b) Explain **two** ways that government regional policy can increase development of a region. [6]
- 11** Evaluate the role of the secondary sector in economic development. [20]
- 12** ‘The growth of newly industrialised countries (NICs) causes more positive impacts than negative impacts.’
- With reference to examples, how far do you agree with this statement? [20]

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