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## Course: National and International Current Affairs-I (9264) Semester: Spring, 2025

## Level: BS

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**Assignment No1**

Q.1 Evaluate the current political situation in Pakistan. How can political institutions be strengthened in Pakistan? Discuss. (20)

Q.2 How can poverty and unemployment be minimized in Pakistan? Suggest some workable steps in this regard. (20)

Q.3 What are the factors that contributed to the ban of different social media platforms in the country during 2024? Write some suggestions to regulate social media in the country. (20)

Q.4 How bad is the impact of environmental pollution on Pakistan? How can Pakistan safeguard its people from this menace? (20)

Q.5 How far do you agree on the importance of judicial reforms in Pakistan for the smooth functioning of the judiciary in the country? (20)

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**Assignment No 2**

Q .1 Why is Pakistan facing terrorist attacks and threats as well? How can Pakistan formulate a strategy to bring peace to the country? (20)

Q.2 Why is our country facing the issue of brain drain, especially during the last few years? What steps do you suggest for the well-being of youth in the country? (20)

Q.3 How do you see the relationship between the current government and the media? How can both enjoy good symbiotic relationships? Suggest. (20)

Q.4 Critically evaluate the current economic situation of the country. Suggest some workable steps for Pakistan’s economy to stand out. (20)

Q.5 Write comprehensive notes on the following: (20)

I. Causes of Political Polarization in Pakistan

II. Current State of Religious Freedom in Pakistan

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**Assignment No 1**

Q.1 What are the factors that have contributed to the end of Bashar al-Assad’s regime in Syria? How has the international community responded to it? (20)

Q.2 Evaluate the current situation of relations between Pakistan and Russia. How can the relations between these two can be strengthened? Suggest. (20)

Q.3 Examine the present situation of Palestine. How can Palestine and Israel settle their issue? Comment. (20)

Q.4 What are the repercussions of war between Russia and Ukraine? (20)

Q.5 How can India and Pakistan settle their long-standing disputes? Discuss. (20)

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**Assignment No 2**

Q.1 Discuss the US Election of 2024. In your opinion why has Donald J. Trump dominated this particular election? (20)

Q.2 How can sustainability be achieved in the Middle East, particularly in the contexts of Palestine, Syria, and Iran? (20)

Q.3 What factors have led to an increase in Earth’s temperature, and what are its potential consequences? (20)

Q.4 How are China and the United States expected to influence global politics? Provide your analysis on this topic. (20)

Q.5 Write comprehensive notes on the following: (20)

* 1. Role of the United Nations in Global Peace
  2. Relations between the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) and Iran