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## Course: Dynamics of Population Change (9610) Semester: Spring, 2025

## Level: Postgraduate/ PGD /BS

## Please read the following instructions for writing your assignments. (AD, BS, B.Ed. MA/MSc, MEd) (ODL Mode).

1. All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks but within a question the marks are distributed according to its requirements.

2. Read the question carefully and then answer it according to the requirements of the questions.

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## Total Marks: 100 Pass Marks: 50

**ASSIGNMENT No. 1**

**(Units: 1–4)**

Q. 1 Explain how economic, social, and environmental factors contribute to shifts in population dynamics. Provide specific examples. **(20)**

Q. 2 Define fertility in demographic terms and explain how it differs from related concepts such as natality and fecundity. Also, how can governments use fertility measures to shape population policies (e.g., pro-natalist policies or family planning programs)? Provide examples of countries that have implemented such policies. **(20)**

Q. 3 Explain the role of gender roles in fertility decisions. How do cultural expectations of women and men influence the number of children they have? Provide an in-depth discussion. **(20)**

Q. 4 Define mortality in demographic terms and explain how it differs from morbidity. Also, how do social factors such as income inequality, education, and access to healthcare influence mortality rates in a population? **(20)**

Q. 5Write notes on the following: **(10+10)**

i. Various Processes of Population Change

ii. Global Trends of Population Change

## Total Marks: 100 Pass Marks: 50

**ASSIGNMENT No. 2**

**(Units: 5–9)**

Q. 1 The impact of global mortality rates on the developing world is a significant topic for understanding the broader implications of mortality trends. The developing world often faces unique challenges due to high mortality rates, which can affect social, economic, and political stability. Discuss. **(20)**

Q. 2 Define migration in demographic terms. What are the main types of migration (e.g., internal vs. international, voluntary vs. forced)? Further, discuss the patterns of international migration from Pakistan. Which countries do most Pakistanis migrate to, and why? **(20)**

Q. 3 Discuss the cultural and religious expectations surrounding marriage in Pakistan. How do these expectations shape the timing of marriage and family size? **(20)**

Q. 4 How do factors such as economic opportunities, natural disasters, and conflict influence migration patterns in specific regions of Pakistan? **(20)**

Q. 5Write notes on the following: **(10+10)**

1. Fertility and Mortality Relationship
2. Push and Pull Factors in Migration

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