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**(Department of Sociology)**

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1. **PLAGIARISM OR HIRING OF GHOST WRITER(S) FOR SOLVING THE ASSIGNMENT(S) WILL DEBAR THE STUDENT FROM AWARD OF DEGREE/CERTIFICATE, IF FOUND AT ANY STAGE.**
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## **Course: Urban Sociology (9456)**

## **Level: BS Programme Semester: Spring, 2025**

## **Please read the following instructions for writing your assignments. (AD, BS, Bed, 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.

3. Avoid irrelevant discussion/information and reproducing from books, study guide or allied material.

4. Handwritten scanned assignments are not acceptable.

5. Upload your typed (in Word or PDF format) assignments on or before the due date.

6. Your own analysis and synthesis will be appreciated.

7. Late assignments can’t be uploaded at LMS.

8. The students who attempt their assignments in Urdu/Arabic may upload a scanned copy of their handwritten assignments (in PDF format) on University LMS. The size of the file should not exceed 5MP.

## **Total Marks: 100 Pass Marks: 50**

**ASSIGNMENT No. 1**

**(Units 1-4)**

Q. 1 What do you know about the origin of urban sociology? Who were the main contributors to the development of this discipline? (20)

Q. 2 Explain different paradigms in contemporary urban sociology. (20)

Q. 3 What do you understand by the growth of cities? Explain in detail. (20)

Q. 4 Discuss key components of planned urban development. Give examples of Islamabad city as a planned urban city. (20)

Q. 5 Rapid urbanization in Pakistan poses significant environmental and infrastructural challenges that need to be addressed for sustainable development. Discuss in detail. (20)

**Total Marks: 100 Pass Marks: 50**

**Assignment No. 2**

**(Unit 5-9)**

Q. 1 The city serves as a multifaceted subject of study across various academic disciplines. Why the location of the city is an important aspect to study? What does it provide? (20)

Q. 2 What are the functions of small groups? What kind of needs group meet? Why do we need to be part of the group? (20)

Q. 3 Why rest and recreational activities in the city are important? How they are for the well-being of urban dwellers? How sustainable urban reset and recreational activities can be planned thoughtfully? (20)

Q. 4 Discuss the lack of coordination in various social systems in the city. What are the causes and solutions for the lack of coordination? (20)

Q. 5 If you were to work for a mayor of a large city to help address one specific problem in that city, which problem would you prefer to work on? Why? (20)