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**Rationalised Exam Specifications  
for HSSC Part II  
Annual and Re-sit Examinations 2021**

FOR THE EXAMINATION SESSION OF 2021 ONLY

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**Introduction:**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and government directives, schools across the country are opening late, resulting in a short academic year 2020-21.

The Aga Khan University Examination Board (AKU-EB) has been proactively responding to the pandemic situation. Following international best practices, AKU-EB has rationalised the exam specifications for Annual and Re-sit Examinations 2021 and engaged with school leadership and teachers of affiliated school to validate the same.

Finalised after thorough consultation with experts and teachers, this document provides the exam specifications for all subjects offered for HSSC II.

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# **Compulsory Subjects**

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### **English Compulsory HSSC Part II**

The English Compulsory Exam for HSSC Part II will consist of two papers of 100 marks in total. Paper I will have 40 multiple choice questions to be answered in 55 minutes. Paper II will consist of two constructed response and two extended response questions worth 60 marks to be done in 125 minutes (2 hours and 05 minutes).

#### **Paper I**

**40 marks**

Paper I will have two separate sections:

- Listening comprehension section will be of 20 marks. It will be of 25 minutes duration which includes the time for listening to the recorded passages. This part will have two listening passages; each passage will be followed by 10 MCQs.
- Reading comprehension section will be of 20 marks and 30 minutes long. This part will consist of two reading passages. 10 MCQs will be asked on each passage. These MCQs will test the use of scanning, skimming, top-down and bottom up techniques.

#### **Paper II**

**60 marks**

This paper will be of 60 marks with the following tasks and marks allocation:

- A text-based passage paired with a visual text/ comic strip OR two comparative paired texts followed by literal and inference-based questions which require skills to synthesise and interpret information 21 marks
- Résumé + Covering Letter OR personal statement 18 marks
- Essay writing (a choice of any ONE from expressive/ reflective, persuasive/ argumentative and analytical essays) 21 marks

The students will be asked to give an elaborate response to the essay question. Their responses to the writing composition questions will be marked against the given tasks. Rote memorization and reproduction of irrelevant details will be discouraged. Responses will be marked for their content relevance, vocabulary, structure, expression and overall impression.

(Students should **NOT** mention their names, names of their schools or any other form of identification anywhere in the examination paper)

**Note:** The cloze passage section and report writing will NOT be assessed in the examination but may be taught as classroom activity.

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**Urdu Compulsory HSSC Part II**

**تخصیص پرچہ برائے امتحان بارہویں جماعت**

اُردو لازمی کا امتحان دو پرچوں پر مشتمل ہوگا جن کے کل نمبر 100 ہوں گے۔ پرچہ اول میں 40 نمبر کے کثیر الانتخابی سوالات ہوں گے جن کے جوابات 55 منٹ میں دیئے ہوں گے۔ پرچہ دوم 4 موضوعی و تحریری 'مجموعہ نظم و نثر' اردو ادب' (نصابی کتاب): مختصر آدو ضاحتی جواب، تخلیقی تحریر: مضمون نویسی اور درخواست نویسی سے متعلق سوالات پر مشتمل ہوگا اور جن کے نمبر 60 ہوں گے ان سوالات کے جوابات 125 منٹ میں دینے ہوں گے۔ اس طرح مجموعی طور پر یہ امتحان 180 منٹ پر مشتمل ہوگا۔

**تفصیل پرچہ اول:**

درج ذیل حصوں اور نمبروں کی تخصیص کے ساتھ یہ پرچہ 40 نمبر اور 55 منٹ کا ہوگا۔

☆ سمعی تفہیم کا امتحان 20 نمبر کا ہوگا۔ اس کا دورانیہ 25 منٹ ہوگا جس میں محفوظ شدہ (Recorded) اقتباسات (آواز) کو سننے کا وقت شامل ہے۔ اس حصے میں دو سمعی اقتباسات ہوں گے جو کہ مجموعہ نظم و نثر سے نہیں لیے گئے ہوں گے۔ اس حصے میں 20 کثیر الانتخابی سوالات ہوں گے۔ ہر اقتباس 10 کثیر الانتخابی سوالات پر مبنی ہوگا۔ (20 نمبر)	سننے کی مہارت
☆ تفہیمی خواندگی کا امتحان 20 نمبر کا ہوگا۔ اس کا دورانیہ 30 منٹ ہوگا جس میں دو خوانی اقتباسات 'نثر' برائے تفہیم ہوں گے جو مجموعہ نظم و نثر میں شامل ادبا و شعرا کی ان تخلیقات پر مشتمل ہوں گے جو کہ مجموعہ نظم و نثر کا حصہ نہیں ہیں۔ منتخب کردہ اقتباسات سے 20 کثیر الانتخابی سوالات پوچھیں جائیں گے۔ ہر تفہیمی اقتباس 10 کثیر الانتخابی سوالات پر مبنی ہوگا۔ (20 نمبر)	پڑھنے کی مہارت

**تفصیل پرچہ دوم:**

درج ذیل حصوں اور نمبروں کی تخصیص کے ساتھ یہ پرچہ 60 نمبر اور 125 منٹ کا ہوگا۔

☆ حصہ نثر: (15 نمبر) ☆ حصہ نظم: (20 نمبر) (یاد رہے! اس حصے میں حاصلاتِ تعلیم کے تناظر میں سوالات ترتیب دیے جائیں گے۔) (توجہ فرمائیے! اس حصے میں 'مجموعہ نظم و نثر' کے جن اسباق کو امتحان میں شامل نہیں کیا جائے گا وہ یہ ہیں: ۱۔ چند لمحے سجاد حیدر یلدرم کے ساتھ از مولانا اصلاح الدین احمد، ۲۔ ابن سینا از ڈاکٹر غلام مصطفیٰ خاں، ۳۔ مبادیاتِ آبادی از تسلیم فاطمہ، ۴۔ میاں خوجی کا جھانسا دینا از پنڈت رتن ناتھ سرشار، ۵۔ مجھے گھریا د آتا ہے از میراجی، ۶۔ دعا از ڈاکٹر وزیر آغا، ۷۔ آمد از مرزا دبیر، ۸۔ مسدس بد حالی از سید ضمیر جعفری۔)	پڑھنے کی مہارت از مجموعہ نظم و نثر
☆ تخلیقی تحریر: مضمون نویسی (توجہ فرمائیے! اس سوال میں دیگر اصناف کا انتخاب ختم کر دیا گیا ہے۔) (15 نمبر) ☆ درخواست نویسی: حکمانہ درخواست نویسی (توجہ فرمائیے! اس سوال میں غیر رسمی خط کا انتخاب کو ختم کر دیا گیا ہے۔) (10 نمبر)	لکھنے کی مہارت

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**Pakistan Culture HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
6.	Sufis and their Shrines	17
7.	Archaeological Treasures	CA <sup>a</sup>
8.	Architecture and Historical Monuments	21
9.	Major Trends in Arts and Literature and Their Exponents	27
10.	Festivals, Social Customs and Dresses	CA
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 65<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>

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<sup>b</sup> The marks obtained on the 65 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 100 for the theory examination results.

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**Pakistan Studies HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
1.	The Idea of Pakistan and its Historical Background	8
2.	Constitutional Development in Pakistan	10
3.	Administrative Structure of Pakistan and Good Governance	8
4.	Cultural Heritage of Pakistan	3
5.	Economic Planning and Development in the Islamic Republic of Pakistan	11
6.	National Integration and Prosperity	CA <sup>a</sup>
7.	Foreign Policy of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan	CA
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 40<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>80 min</b>

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<sup>b</sup> The marks obtained on the 40 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 50 for the theory examination results.



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**Islamiyat HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
1.	القرآن الكريم	10
2.	الحديث، تعارف	8
3.	موضوعاتی مطالعہ	16
4.	مسلم ثقافتیں	6
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 40<sup>a</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>80 min</b>

<sup>a</sup> The marks obtained on the 40 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 50 for the theory examination results.

**Rationalised Exam Specification for Annual and Re-sit Examinations 2021**  
**Ethics HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
1.	Introduction to Ethics	12
2.	Religions of Pakistan	CA <sup>a</sup>
3.	Values	16
4.	Personalities	12
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 40<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>80 min</b>

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<sup>b</sup> The marks obtained on the 40 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 50 for the theory examination results.

# **Science Elective Subjects**

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**Physics HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs	
		Theory	ATP <sup>a</sup>
11.	Electrostatics	7	3
12.	Current Electricity	9	5
13.	Electromagnetism	5	
14.	Electromagnetic Induction	5	
15.	Alternating Current	5	
16.	Physics of Solids	CA <sup>b</sup>	
17.	Electronics	7	5
18.	Dawn of the Modern Physics	12	2
19.	Atomic Spectra	CA	
20.	Nuclear Physics	CA	
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 50<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>ATP 15*</b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>	

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<sup>c</sup> The marks obtained on the 50 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 85 for the theory examination results.

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**Biology HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs	
		Theory	ATP <sup>a</sup>
15.	Homeostasis	10	
16.	Support and Movement		6
17.	Co-ordination and Control	18	
22.	Variation and Genetics		5
18.	Reproduction	6	4
19.	Growth and Development	CA	
20.	Chromosomes and DNA	5	
21.	Cell Cycle	6	
23.	Biotechnology	5	
24.	Evolution	CA	
25.	Ecosystem	CA	
26.	Some Major Ecosystems		
27.	Man and his Environment	CA	
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 50<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>ATP 15</b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>	

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**Chemistry HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs	
		Theory	ATP <sup>a</sup>
13.	s- and p-Block Elements	4	3
14.	d- and f- Block Elements	4	1
15.	Organic Compounds	8	2
16.	Hydrocarbons	8	
17.	Alkyl halides and Amines	4	2
18.	Alcohols, Phenols and Ethers	6	2
19.	Carbonyl Compound I: Aldehydes and Ketones	6	3
20.	Carbonyl Compound II: Carboxylic Acid and Functional Derivatives	6	2
21.	Biochemistry	CA <sup>b</sup>	
22.	Industrial Chemistry	4	
23.	Environmental Chemistry	CA	
24.	Analytical Chemistry	CA	
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 50<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>ATP 15</b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>	

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**Mathematics HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
11.	MAPLE	
12.	Functions and Limits	8
13.	Differentiation	12
14.	Higher Order Derivative and Application	
15.	Partial Fractions	12
16.	Integration	
17.	Plane Analytical Geometry ( Straight Line)	14
18.	Linear Programming	CA <sup>a</sup>
19.	Circles	7
20.	Parabola	12
21.	Ellipse	
22.	Hyperbola	
23.	Translation and Rotation	CA
24.	Vectors	CA
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 65<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>

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<sup>b</sup>The marks obtained on the 65 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 100 for the theory examination results.

**Rationalised Exam Specification for Annual and Re-sit Examinations 2021**  
**Statistics HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs	
		Theory	ATP <sup>a</sup>
10.	Counting Techniques	7	2
11.	Probability	10	3
12.	Random Variables and Probability Distribution	10	3
13.	Special Discrete Probability Distributions	7	2
14.	Special Continuous Probability Distribution	6	2
15.	Sampling and Sampling Distributions	6	2
16.	Estimation	CA <sup>b</sup>	
17.	Hypothesis Testing	CA	
18.	Association of Attributes	4	1
19.	Design of Experiment	CA	
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 50<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>ATP 15</b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>	

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**Note:** This subject is offered in both Science and Humanities group.



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**Computer Science HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs	
		Theory	ATP <sup>a</sup>
9.	Operating System (OS)	CA <sup>b</sup>	
10.	System Development Life Cycle (SDLC)	CA	
11.	Introduction to C++ Programming	22	10
12.	Control Structures		
13.	Arrays and Strings	6	
14.	Functions	10	
15.	Pointers	4	5
16.	Object Oriented Programming (OOP)	8	
17.	File Handling	CA	
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 50<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>ATP 15</b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>	

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# **Humanities Elective Subjects**

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**Geography HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs	
		Theory	ATP <sup>a</sup>
7	The geography of the Continents	24	15
8	Economic Geography	26	
9	Population Geography	CA	
10	The Environment	CA	
11	Practical Geography	CA	
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 50<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>ATP 15</b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>	

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**Civics HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
4.	Ideology of Pakistan	30
5.	Constitution of Pakistan	35
6.	Foreign Affairs of Pakistan	CA <sup>a</sup>
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 65<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>

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<sup>b</sup> The marks obtained on the 65 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 100 for the theory examination results.

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**Education HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
9.	Muslim Education in the subcontinent	20
10.	The British Education System in the subcontinent	20
11.	Policies and Plans of Education in Pakistan	CA <sup>a</sup>
12.	Educational problems in Pakistan	11
13.	Role of various organizations contributing towards education	14
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 65<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>

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**Sociology HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
10.	Social Control	12
11.	Environmental and Social Life	9
12.	Social Research	17
13.	Social Change	12
14.	Culture and Society	CA <sup>a</sup>
15.	Social Problems	15
16.	Communities	CA
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 65<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>

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**Psychology HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs	
		Theory	ATP <sup>a</sup>
10.	Development of Psychology	12	
11.	Psychology of Health	16	
12.	Social Psychology	10	
13.	Guidance and counseling	CA	
14.	Statistics	12	15
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 50<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>ATP 15</b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>	

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**Islamic Studies HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
5.	القرآن	25
6	الحديث	25
7.	تهذيب وتمدن	15
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 65<sup>a</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>

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**Islamic History HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
6.	خلافتِ بنو امیہ	25
7.	خلافتِ بنو امیہ کا عروج و زوال	16
8.	خلافتِ بنو عباس	24
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 65<sup>a</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>

<sup>a</sup> The marks obtained on the 65 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 100 for the theory examination results.

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**Statistics HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs	
		Theory	ATP <sup>a</sup>
10.	Counting Techniques	7	2
11.	Probability	10	3
12.	Random Variables and Probability Distribution	10	3
13.	Special Discrete Probability Distributions	7	2
14.	Special Continuous Probability Distribution	6	2
15.	Sampling and Sampling Distributions	6	2
16.	Estimation	CA <sup>b</sup>	
17.	Hypothesis Testing	CA	
18.	Association of Attributes	4	1
19.	Design of Experiment	CA	
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 50<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>ATP 15</b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>	

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### **English Literature HSSC Part II**

The Literature in English Exam for HSSC Part II will consist of one paper of 100 marks in total.

This paper will comprise three sections; plays, stories and poetry. Each section will consist of constructed response questions and two extended response questions (a choice will be given in the extended response questions). This paper will be of 3 hours.

#### **Section I: (Plays)**

Section I will have two parts A and B representing the two recommended plays. Students will attempt one of these parts. This section will be of 35 marks with the following tasks and marks allocation.

A reading passage from the play followed by constructed response questions. 20 Marks

Two questions based on theme, plot, setting or characters which imply an extended response. 15 Marks

Students will have to attempt any one question.

#### **Section II: (Essays)**

Section II will be of 30 marks with the following tasks and marks allocation.

Constructed response questions from the recommended essays. 15 Marks

Two questions based on theme, setting, symbolism or author's viewpoint which imply an extended response. Students will have to attempt any one question. 15 Marks

**Note:** The following essays/ short stories will NOT be assessed for the examination session of Annual and Re-sit 2021. These essays/ short stories can be taught as a classroom activity on the discretion of the school and teachers.

- My Mother Never Worked
- History and the Reader
- Interlopers

#### **Section III: (Poetry)**

Section III will have 35 marks in total. It will be comprised of the following tasks and marks allocation.

Reference to context questions from the recommended poems. 20 Marks

Two questions based on theme, setting, symbolism, figurative language or author's viewpoint which imply an extended response. Students will have to attempt any one question. 15 Marks

**Note:** The following poems will NOT be assessed for the examination session of Annual and Re-sit 2021. These poems can be taught as a classroom activity on the discretion of the school and teachers.

- Ode on a Grecian Urn
- Lady of Shallot
- Fear No More the Heat of the Sun
- Ghazal

Schools will select one of the two novels in class XI and one of the two plays in class XII for assessment purposes. Questions will be set on all the plays and novels to allow students the option of answering questions on the texts they have studied.

Questions will be in a structured question format involving short answers and longer essay-type responses.

Candidates will be required to respond to these questions by writing on the question paper, which is also the answer book.

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# **Commerce Subjects**

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**Principles of Accounting HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
6.	Accounting for Incomplete Records/ Single Entry	12
7.	Accounting for Non-Profit Organisation (NPO)	CA <sup>a</sup>
8.	Accounting for Partnership	27
9.	Accounting for Company's	26
10.	Valuation of stock/ Inventory Valuation (IAS 2)	CA
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 65<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>

<sup>a</sup> CA = Classroom Activity, not to be assessed under examination conditions.

<sup>b</sup> The marks obtained on the 65 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 100 for the theory examination results.

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**Banking HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
1.	Introduction to Banking and Banking System	8
2.	Commercial Bank	11
3.	Central Bank	12
4.	Banking Instruments	11
5.	Bank Advance and Funds	CA <sup>a</sup>
6.	Foreign Exchange	8
7.	Pakistan Specialised Financial Institutions	CA
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 50<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>100 min</b>

<sup>a</sup> CA = Classroom Activity, not to be assessed under examination conditions.

<sup>b</sup> The marks obtained on the 50 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 75 for the theory examination results.

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**Commercial Geography HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
1.	Scope and Field of Commercial Geography	8
2.	Environment and Human Activities	
3.	Livestock and Fishing Activities	16
4.	Natural Vegetation or Forestation	
5.	Agricultural Activities	
6.	Water Resources of the World	CA <sup>a</sup>
7.	Mineral Resources, Energy Resources and their Resources	
8.	Manufacturing and Industries	16
9.	Transportation and Trade	
10.	World Population Growth	10
11.	Commercial Geography of Pakistan	
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 50<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>100 min</b>

<sup>a</sup> CA = Classroom Activity, not to be assessed under examination conditions.

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**Economics HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
13.	Introduction of Macroeconomics	29
14.	National Income	
15.	Money	
16.	Banks and Banking in Pakistan	
18.	International Trade	24
20.	Introduction to Pakistan Economy	
21.	Economic Development and Planning	
22.	Communication	CA <sup>a</sup>
23.	Human Resource	CA
17.	Public Finance	12
19.	Economic System of Islam	CA
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 65<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>130 min</b>

<sup>a</sup> CA = Classroom Activity, not to be assessed under examination conditions.

<sup>b</sup> The marks obtained on the 65 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 100 for the theory examination results.

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**Business Statistics HSSC Part II**

No.	Topic(s)	Number of MCQs
		Theory
1.	Introduction to Statistics	3
2.	Presentation of Statistical Data	6
3.	Graphical Representation	8
4.	Measure of Central Tendency	9
5.	Measure of Dispersion	6
6.	Index Number	CA <sup>a</sup>
7.	Counting Technique and Probability	8
<b>Total</b>		<b>MCQs 40<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Total Time</b>		<b>80 min</b>

<sup>a</sup> CA = Classroom Activity, not to be assessed under examination conditions.

<sup>b</sup> The marks obtained on the 40 MCQs will be equated to the total marks of 50 for the theory examination results.