

MARK SCHEME for the October/November 2012 series

0680 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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Paper 4 (Alternative to Coursework), maximum raw mark 60

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Mark schemes will use these abbreviations:

- ; separates marking points
- / alternatives
- ® reject
- A accept (for answers correctly cued by the question)
- [I] ignore
- AW alternative wording (where responses vary more than usual)
- AVP additional valid point (where there are a variety of possible additional valid answers)
- underline actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants excepted)
- D, L, T, Q quality of drawing / labelling / table / writing as indicated by mark scheme
- max indicates the maximum number of marks that can be given
- eq equivalent
- ORA or reverse argument
- IDEA OF where candidates are expected to make an argument which expresses a particular idea, but the ways in which they will do this will be many and varied

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- 1 (a) (i) to help people get jobs / more skilled jobs / eq / reduce unemployment / improve standard of living / example of raised standard of living such as family planning; [2]
- (ii) to stop loss of revenue / improve international standing / rule of law / reduce corruption / eq / AVP (e.g. to maintain biodiversity); [2]
- (b) (i) **B**;
 replicates present / an average can be taken / not relying on one result;
 same number of seeds;
 more seeds;
 same quantity of water;
 (A = no marks, C = max 2 for replicates and same quantity of water) [max 4]
- (ii) soil pH;
 soil type;
 soil texture;
 particle size(s);
 drainage;
 mineral / nutrient / organic content; [max 2]
- (iii) not stimulated by light (due to shading) / soil too dry / release chemical to stop germination / chemical from roots / chemical from leaves; [1]
- (c) (i) to gain maximum yield;
 more profit / eq;
 to reduce competition with other plants;
 reduce growth of alang alang / weeding;
 reduce soil erosion;
 easy to harvest; [max 2]
- (ii) *sustainable*:
 carbon neutral;
 this idea described;
 renewable / can regrow the oil palm.
not sustainable:
 fuels burnt in transport / describe example;
 soil fertility lost over time;
 encourages deforestation / reduces biodiversity;
 AVP (e.g. other land must be used to grow food crops); [max 3]
- (iii) the number / amount of (different) species (in an area / habitat) or ref. to different biological groups; A other valid definition A types [1]
- (iv) medicinal plants still available / genetic resource / genes kept for the future / rare / eq species help to promote ecotourism / maintain food webs / chains / balance of nature; [1]

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- (d) (i) orientation;
both axes labelled (yield in tonnes per hectare and years);
plots;; (allow one error on each plot)
- (ii) 16 and 21; (A 15–17 and 21–22) (A other correct reading from graph as an error carried forward) [1]
- (iii) IDEA OF the extra cost of the fertiliser must be less than the extra value of the crop; [1]
- (iv) 0.5, 2.5, 3.0, 3.0, 6.0, 4.0;;
(6 correct = 2 marks, 4–5 correct = 1 mark, 0–3 correct = 0 mark) [2]
- (v) $6 / 13 \times 100 = 46.1$ (allow 46, 46.15, 46.2) [1]
- (vi) earn more money / easier / cheaper to harvest / process / eq; [1]

- (e) *farmer:*
less work / labour / maintenance / weeding;
regular income;
clones give more product / income / eq;
rice / other crops grown;
ref. to medicinal plants used;
ref. to shorter time to first harvest;
environment:
some forest grow back / eq;
helps to maintain biodiversity / prevent further loss;
soils not likely to be eroded / lose fertility;
soils not damaged further;
good interception;
so less flooding risk;
AVP (for either part, e.g. ref. ecotourism);
(max 4 for either part) [max 6]

[Total: 32]

- 2 (a) (i) less interception;
less root absorption;
less infiltration / more surface run off;
soil not held by roots;
soil changes properties / e.g. becomes impermeable / eq;
ref. to transpiration;
rivers now silted up so flood more easily; [max 3]
- (ii) soil erosion / loss of fertility / damage to infra-structure / described example; [1]
- (iii) dust; (leads to weaker lungs / more infections) (A dirt) [1]
- (iv) rate doubled for children / eq;
(if answer given is 'change is greater in children' (no mark), then max 1 total if further qualification is given as below)
adults show smaller increase (however expressed);
quote the increase figures 3 or 5%; [max 2]

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(b) (i) same people;
 same numbers;
 same season;
 same area;
 same questions;
 same results table;
 all ages;
 both sexes;
 selected at random; [max 2]

(ii) yes:
 more (stagnant / standing) water;
 so more breeding mosquitoes / described; [2]
no: no valid answers possible so 0 marks

[Total: 11]

3 (a) (i) 19.7; ([!]) \$ sign) [1]

(ii) yes: justified by working to support answer (e.g. $41 - 19.7 = 21.3$);
 A $40 - 19.7 = 20.3$ [1]

(iii) June 2008; [1]

(b) (i) fewer leaves on plants near road;
 plants shorter;
 less (dense) vegetation;
 fewer species / types of plant / less biodiversity;
 no plants next to the road;
 no palm trees; [max 2]

(ii) no:
 after three years any of the points in (b) (i) have improved;;
marks are for two reasons, only one reason = only 1 mark [2]

(iii) sample at stated distance from road;
 transect line;
 each side of the road sampled;
 use of quadrat / defined area;
 record species inside quadrat / eq;
 record results in a notebook;
 ref. to other sensible method; [max 2]

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- (c) (i) marks or for reasons in support of either mine – table shows reasons in support of either Mine one or Mine two – maximum marks can be obtained by a coherent argument in support of either of the two mines as below

<i>Either</i>	<i>Or</i>
<i>Mine one:</i>	<i>Mine two:</i>
larger reserves so worth mining; (78 million tonnes)	smaller reserves so mining over more quickly; (35 million tonnes)
longer life (15 yrs) of mine so jobs for longer;	worth mining even if it only lasts 10 years;
investment worthwhile;	enough coal to make investment worthwhile;
more profit to government;	profit possible for government;
more profit to mining company;	profit possible for mining company;
smaller area (5000 hectares) so less environmental damage;	only a slightly larger area (6000 hectares) so not much more environmental damage;
long way (40 km) from the river so pollution very unlikely;	close to river (5 km) for easy / cheap transport;

A any sensible comment about the nature reserve for either answer; [max 6]

- (ii) save rare / endangered species;
 stop or reduce poaching;
 protect biodiversity;
 saved for breeding / genetic resource;
 genes can be use to make GMO's;
 value to encourage tourism;
 moral argument;
 AVP (e.g. genes available for selective breeding);

[max 2]

[Total: 17]