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**GEOGRAPHY**  
**MEMORANDUM**  
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**GRADE 12**

**MARKS: 60**

**N.B. This question memorandum consists of 5 pages.**

**QUESTION 1**

1.1

1.1.1 Mature✓

1.1.2 Clockwise✓

1.1.3 Cold air✓

1.1.4 Gentle pressure gradient✓

1.1.5 Warm sector ✓

1.1.6 D/Cumulonimbus✓

[6]

1.2

1.2.1 A storm with sustained winds near 190 kilometers per hour, torrential rain and heavy flooding✓

A storm that causes snapped and uprooted trees✓

A storm that causes major damage to homes✓

A storm that cause vehicles to be washed away by surges of water✓

(1 x 1) (1)

(ANY ONE)

1.2.2 One✓

Named alphabetically in the season of occurrence✓

(2 x 1) (2)

1.2.3 Cyclone Belal tracked in the warm waters of the Indian Ocean that was ideal for promoting high rate of evaporation✓✓

Friction over the large sea track was minimum, assisting rising air (convection) ✓✓

The water vapour content over the ocean is greater, containing latent heat and this formed the trigger for the full development of the cyclone✓✓

Human-caused climate change has intensified extreme weather in the region✓✓

(1 x 2) (2)

(ANY ONE)

1.2.4 Information is received immediately and can be used to warn people ✓✓

Information can be monitored and evacuation plans can be devised, especially for people in low lying areas. ✓✓

Can take images of large inaccessible areas. ✓✓

The intensity of the storm can be monitored ✓✓

Information can be used to determine wind speed, temperature, wind direction ✓✓

Can be used to predict the path ✓✓

(1 x 2) (2)

(ANY ONE)



## 1.2.5 Damage to infrastructure which is costly to repair✓✓

Damage to beachfront properties which would negatively affect tourism and the economy✓✓

Loss of crops which leads to food shortages, higher prices and food imports✓✓

Loss of fertile soil leads to increase in production costs and rise in food prices✓✓

Less income generated by farms✓✓

Loss of life will reduce the economically active✓✓

Industries that depend on the primary sector for a supply of raw materials are adversely/negatively affected and have to close temporarily✓✓

Disruption to water and electricity supply due to damaged cables and burst pipes✓✓

Increase in health care costs due to outbreak of diseases✓✓

Increase in insurance claims and cost as a result of storm damage✓✓

Job losses result in loss of income✓✓

(4 x 2)(8)

## 1.3.1. Urban heat island/pollution dome ✓

(1 x 1) (1)

## 1.3.2 6°C ✓

(1 x 1) (1)

## 1.3.3 Geometric shapes of buildings increases surface area for heating✓✓

Building density traps heat✓✓

Multiple reflection of heat✓✓

Less plants/vegetation in city centre to reduce heat ✓✓

Pollutants above city trap/prevent heat from escaping✓✓

Tall buildings prevent circulation ✓✓

Less evaporation because of fewer water surfaces

Concrete in urban areas is able to store three times more heat than the same volume of soil or vegetation✓✓

Concrete absorbs heat slowly during the day and releases it slowly at night thus raising temperatures considerably✓✓

Cities contain a large number of tarred streets which absorbs heat, giving rise to high temperatures✓✓

(1 x 2) (2)

[ALSO ACCEPT ANSWERS FROM OPPOSITE PERSPECTIVE:  
RURAL AREAS/FARMLAND/FORESTS]

(ANY TWO)

## 1.3.4 Respiratory problems/asthma/sinusitis✓

Skin irritations (disorder)✓

Heat stroke/cardiac arrest/human discomfort/fatigue ✓

Eye irritations ✓

Allergies ✓

Heat stress (hypertension) ✓

(1 x 1) (1)

(ANY ONE)



- 1.3.5 Most pronounced/developed at night because air is subsiding✓✓  
 High temperatures during the day lead to rising convection currents (and therefore has a greater vertical dimension)✓✓  
 Colder air subsides at night time therefore the pollution dome lies lower at night ✓✓  
 Fewer urban activities (or examples of) at night time that releases heat over the city centre therefore the pollution dome is compressed/more intensely developed✓✓  
 [Any TWO]

(2 x 2) (4)  
**[30]**

## QUESTION 2

2.1

- 2.1.1 B (width) ✓  
 2.1.2 C (upper, middle, lower) ✓  
 2.1.3 A (wide and shallow) ✓  
 2.1.4 C (rough and uneven) ✓  
 2.1.5 A (slip-off) ✓  
 2.1.6 D (concave slope with erosion) ✓

(6x1) (6)

2.2

- 2.2.1 A-Rectangular ✓  
 B-Dendritic ✓

(2x1) (2)

- 2.2.2 **Rock structure**  
 Jointed/faults ✓  
 Horizontally layered ✓  
 [ANY ONE]

### **Rock type**

- Igneous ✓  
 Sedimentary ✓  
 [ANY ONE]

(1+1) (2)

- 2.2.3 **Tributaries** join **the** main river at acute angles ✓✓  
**Tributaries** resembles the branches of a tree ✓✓  
 [ANY ONE]

(1x2) (2)

- 2.2.4 4<sup>th</sup> (order) ✓✓

(1x2) (2)

- 2.2.5 Low ✓

(1x1) (1)

- 2.2.6 Higher ✓

(1x1) (1)

- 2.2.7 The steeper slope (gradient) promotes runoff (cuts more river channels)✓✓(1x2) (2)

- 3.1
- 2.3.1 Lower ✓ (1x1) (1)
- 2.3.2 (Natural) levee ✓ (1x1) (1)
- 2.3.3 Forms on the banks of rivers that have been subjected to repeated flooding. ✓✓  
After the floods waters have receded it leaves behind gravel, sand and silt which builds up to form raised banks called a levee. ✓✓ (2x2) (4)
- 2.3.4 Reduces flooding of the flood plain and therefore loss of crops and equipment. ✓✓  
It prevents fertile soil from the floodplain washing back into the river. ✓✓  
(ANY ONE) (1x2) (2)
- 2.3.5 Braided stream. ✓ (1x1) (1)
- 2.3.6 Distributaries. ✓ (1x1) (1)
- 2.3.7 The gentle gradient in the lower course decreases river flow ✓✓  
The slow flowing river deposits its load within its channel. ✓✓  
(ANY ONE) (1x2) (2)

[30]

**GRAND TOTAL: 60**