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This booklet contains **50 meticulously crafted, advanced-level Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)** on Pakistan Current Affairs 2026, specifically designed for aspirants appearing in **PPSC, FPSC, CSS, PMS, NTS, SPSC, KPPSC**, and other competitive examinations.

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■ SOLVED MCQs — PAKISTAN CURRENT AFFAIRS 2026

Q1 Pakistan brokered a ceasefire between the United States and Iran on which date in 2026?

A) March 24, 2026

✓ B) April 8, 2026

C) May 1, 2026

D) June 12, 2026

■ **EXPLANATION:** After 40 days of continuous fighting following the February 28 US–Israel strikes on Iran, Pakistan brokered the first ceasefire on April 8, 2026. PM Shehbaz Sharif publicly announced Pakistan's willingness to mediate on March 24, 2026.

Q2 The Islamabad Talks between the US and Iran were held on which dates in April 2026?

A) April 5–6, 2026

B) April 9–10, 2026

✓ C) April 11–12, 2026

D) April 18–19, 2026

■ **EXPLANATION:** The Islamabad Talks were held on April 11 and 12, 2026. The 21-hour negotiations were the highest-level direct talks between Iran and the US in 47 years and were moderated by Pakistan.

Q3 Who led the US negotiating team at the April 2026 Islamabad Talks?

A) Donald Trump

B) Mike Pompeo

✓ C) JD Vance

D) Marco Rubio

■ **EXPLANATION:** Vice President JD Vance led the 300-member US negotiating team at the Islamabad Talks. He was accompanied by special envoys Steve Witkoff and Jared Kushner.

Q4 Who led the Iranian negotiating team at the April 2026 Islamabad Talks?

A) President Pezeshkian

✓ B) Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf

C) Abbas Araghchi

D) Ali Khamenei

■ **EXPLANATION:** Parliamentary Speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf led the 70-member Iranian team, alongside Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi. President Pezeshkian was not personally present at the April talks.

Q5 The Islamabad Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the US and Iran was formally signed on which date?

A) June 12, 2026

B) June 15, 2026

✓ C) June 17, 2026

D) June 21, 2026

■ **EXPLANATION:** President Trump and Iranian President Pezeshkian signed the MOU remotely on June 17, 2026. Trump signed it during dinner with French President Macron at the Palace of Versailles following the G7 summit.

Q6 PM Shehbaz Sharif announced the US–Iran peace deal text was agreed on which date?

A) June 10, 2026

B) June 12, 2026

✓ C) June 15, 2026

D) June 18, 2026

■ **EXPLANATION:** In the early hours of June 15, 2026, PM Shehbaz Sharif announced on X (formerly Twitter): 'we are pleased to announce that the Peace Deal between the United States and the Islamic Republic of Iran has been REACHED.'

Q7**Which Swiss location hosted the Bürgenstock Summit where the Islamabad MOU framework was finalized?**

A) Geneva

B) Zurich

C) Davos

✓ D) Lake Lucerne (Bürgenstock)**■ EXPLANATION:**

The Bürgenstock Summit was held at a luxury resort overlooking Lake Lucerne, Switzerland, on June 21–22, 2026. Pakistan and Qatar jointly mediated the quadrilateral meeting between the US and Iran.

Q8**The Islamabad MOU established a ceasefire extension of how many days for further negotiations?**

A) 30 days

B) 45 days

✓ C) 60 days

D) 90 days

■ EXPLANATION:

The Islamabad MOU established a 60-day extension of the ceasefire to negotiate the final terms of a permanent peace deal. The 60-day window began around June 18, 2026.

Q9**Which country was the primary broker of the Islamabad MOU between the US and Iran?**

A) Qatar

B) Saudi Arabia

✓ C) Pakistan

D) Turkey

■ EXPLANATION:

Pakistan was the primary broker of the Islamabad MOU. Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and Egypt also played facilitative roles, but the credit for the breakthrough is primarily attributed to Pakistan.

Q10 Iranian President Pezeshkian visited Islamabad on June 23, 2026. What was the significance of this visit?

A) It was his first foreign visit after taking office

✓ B) It was his first foreign trip since the US–Israel war on Iran began in February 2026

C) He came to sign the MOU in Islamabad

D) He visited to attend an SCO summit

■ **EXPLANATION:** Pezeshkian's June 23, 2026 visit to Islamabad was his first overseas trip since Iran was attacked by the US and Israel on February 28, 2026. The visit was widely viewed as an expression of gratitude for Pakistan's pivotal mediation role.

Q11 The 2026 Iran War began when the US and Israel launched strikes on Iran on which date?

A) January 15, 2026

✓ B) February 28, 2026

C) March 5, 2026

D) April 1, 2026

■ **EXPLANATION:** The US and Israel launched air strikes on Iran on February 28, 2026, killing Iran's Supreme Leader and many senior officials. This event triggered the 2026 Iran War and Pakistan's subsequent diplomatic engagement.

Q12 Pakistan and China jointly released a peace initiative for the Iran war on which date?

A) March 15, 2026

B) March 24, 2026

✓ C) March 31, 2026

D) April 5, 2026

■ **EXPLANATION:** On March 31, 2026, Pakistan and China jointly released a five-point peace initiative calling for an immediate end to all hostilities and allowance of humanitarian aid into the region.

Q1
3

Pakistan's debt-to-GDP ratio as of 2026 stands at approximately:

A) 40–50%

B) 55–65%

✓ C) 70–80%

D) 90–100%

■ EXPLANATION:

Pakistan's debt-to-GDP ratio sits between 70% and 80% as of 2026, with debt servicing at times consuming up to two-thirds of government spending. The country remains on IMF support under its 25th arrangement since joining the Fund in 1950.

Q1
4

The State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) repaid an international bond of how much on April 7, 2026?

A) \$800 million

B) \$1.0 billion

✓ C) \$1.43 billion

D) \$2.1 billion

■ EXPLANATION:

On April 7, 2026, the State Bank of Pakistan successfully repaid an international bond totaling \$1.43 billion, including a principal of \$1.3 billion. This was seen as a positive signal for Pakistan's financial stability.

Q1
5

Pakistan is targeting what GDP growth rate for the upcoming fiscal year (post-FY2026)?

A) 2.5%

B) 3.0%

✓ C) 4.0%

D) 5.5%

■ EXPLANATION:

Pakistan is targeting GDP growth of 4.0% and inflation of 8.2% for the coming fiscal year, compared with 3.7% projected growth in FY2026. The IMF projected real GDP growth of 3.6% for 2026.

Q1 6 The Pakistani co-founded AI startup reportedly nearing a \$60 billion deal with SpaceX in late April 2026 is:

A) Anthropic

✓ B) Cursor (Anysphere)

C) Mistral AI

D) Cohere

■ **EXPLANATION:** As of late April 2026, the Pakistani co-founded AI startup nearing a \$60 billion deal with SpaceX is Cursor (parent company Anysphere). It was co-founded by Sualeh Asif, a Karachi-born software engineer and MIT graduate.

Q1 7 Which two Pakistani astronauts were selected as candidates for China's manned space program in April 2026?

A) Namira Salim and Khalid Mahmood

✓ B) Muhammad Zeeshan Ali and Khurram Daud

C) Imran Mirza and Tariq Maqsood

D) Rashid Minhas and Sohail Akhtar

■ **EXPLANATION:** In April 2026, Muhammad Zeeshan Ali and Khurram Daud were selected as candidates for China's manned space program. They are undergoing training in Beijing for a future mission to the Tiangong space station.

Q1 8 Pakistani astronaut candidates selected in 2026 are being trained for which Chinese space station?

A) Shenzhou

B) Chang'e

✓ C) Tiangong

D) Fengyun

■ **EXPLANATION:** The two Pakistani astronaut candidates, Muhammad Zeeshan Ali and Khurram Daud, are undergoing training in Beijing for a future mission to China's Tiangong space station.

Q19 Who is Pakistan's Chief of Defence Forces (Field Marshal) who played the central role in brokering the Islamabad MOU?

A) General Qamar Bajwa

✓ B) Asim Munir

C) General Raheel Sharif

D) General Faiz Hameed

■ **EXPLANATION:** Field Marshal Syed Asim Munir, Pakistan's Chief of Defence Forces, laid the groundwork for the Islamabad MOU in late March 2026. He initiated backchannel contacts with both Washington and Tehran, leveraging ties built with President Trump and Iranian security counterparts.

Q20 Pakistan signed a major bilateral defence pact with which country in 2025, deepening its regional ties?

A) UAE

✓ B) Saudi Arabia

C) Qatar

D) Turkey

■ **EXPLANATION:** Pakistan signed a major bilateral defence pact with Saudi Arabia in 2025, as part of its broader diplomatic strategy to position itself as an important regional partner.

Q21 The PCB imposed a record-breaking Rs 20 million fine on which Pakistani cricketer on March 30, 2026?

A) Shaheen Afridi

B) Babar Azam

✓ C) Naseem Shah

D) Mohammad Rizwan

■ **EXPLANATION:** The PCB imposed a Rs 20 million fine (approximately \$72,000) on fast bowler Naseem Shah on March 30, 2026, for violating his central contract and social media guidelines after he posted a sarcastic tweet about VIP protocol given to Punjab CM Maryam Nawaz during the PSL 2026 opening ceremony.

Q2 Which Pakistani mountaineer is associated with record-setting altitude achievements in Pakistan's 8,000-metre peaks?

✓ A) Sirbaz Khan

B) Sajid Sadpara

C) Naila Kiani

D) Naseer Hussain

■ **EXPLANATION:** Sirbaz Khan is Pakistan's renowned high-altitude mountaineer who has scaled all 14 of the world's 8,000-metre peaks without supplemental oxygen, setting records and putting Pakistan on the global mountaineering map.

Q2 Who is the current Prime Minister of Pakistan as of June 2026?

A) Imran Khan

B) Shahid Khaqan Abbasi

✓ C) Shehbaz Sharif

D) Bilawal Bhutto Zardari

■ **EXPLANATION:** Shehbaz Sharif is the Prime Minister of Pakistan as of June 2026. He played a central role in Pakistan's diplomatic efforts, personally leading the mediation team alongside Field Marshal Asim Munir.

Q2 Who is the Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Pakistan as of 2026?

A) Hina Rabbani Khar

B) Bilawal Bhutto

✓ C) Ishaq Dar

D) Khawaja Asif

■ **EXPLANATION:** Ishaq Dar serves as both Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Pakistan. He was part of the Pakistani mediating team alongside PM Shehbaz Sharif and Field Marshal Asim Munir during the Islamabad Talks.

Q2 5 Who is the President of Pakistan as of 2026?

A) Arif Alvi

✓ B) Asif Ali Zardari

C) Fazl-ur-Rehman

D) Mamnoon Hussain

■ **EXPLANATION:** Asif Ali Zardari is the President of Pakistan. He received Iranian President Pezeshkian at a military base near Islamabad during the June 23, 2026 state visit.

Q2 6 The new Inspector General (IG) of Pakistan Railways Police, appointed on March 25, 2026, is:

A) Rai Tahir

✓ B) Muhammad Wisal Fakhar Sultan

C) Ghulam Nabi Memon

D) Abdul Hamid Khalid

■ **EXPLANATION:** Mr. Muhammad Wisal Fakhar Sultan was appointed Inspector General (IG) of Pakistan Railways Police on March 25, 2026. He replaced Rai Tahir (Muhammad Tahir Rai), who retired in February 2026 after completing his tenure. Pakistan Railways was founded in 1861.

Q2 7 Trump reportedly said which words about Pakistan's Field Marshal Asim Munir at the Bürgenstock Summit?

A) 'Pakistan is our greatest ally'

✓ B) 'What's up, man?' — and embraced him

C) 'We love Pakistan'

D) 'Pakistan is the bridge-builder of the 21st century'

■ **EXPLANATION:** At the Bürgenstock Summit, US Vice President JD Vance spotted Field Marshal Asim Munir and said 'This guy. What's up, man?' while pulling him into a hug. Vance also told journalists: 'I have joked that I have two very, very important people in my life, an Indian and a Pakistani.'

Q2 8 US Senator Lindsey Graham criticized Pakistan's role as mediator, calling it 'problematic' primarily due to:

A) Pakistan's debt to China

✓ **B) Reports an Iranian military aircraft was sheltered during talks and Pakistan's anti-Israel stance**

C) Pakistan's human rights record

D) Pakistan's nuclear weapons program

■ **EXPLANATION:**

Senator Lindsey Graham said he didn't trust Pakistan with the negotiations, citing reports that an Iranian military aircraft was sheltered during the Islamabad talks and Pakistan's anti-Israel stance and position on the Abraham Accords.

Q2 9 Which country is described by the CFR as viewing Pakistan's emergence as a peace broker as geopolitically threatening?

A) China

B) Afghanistan

✓ **C) India**

D) Israel

■ **EXPLANATION:**

India is described as the country most strategically threatened by Pakistan's emergence as a credible, US-embraced peace broker. India has always refused outside mediation in its disputes with Pakistan and wants Pakistan seen as a problem, not a partner.

Q3 0 The EU–Pakistan Business Forum was held at which venue in Islamabad in 2026?

A) Marriott Hotel

B) Pearl Continental

✓ **C) Serena Hotel**

D) Islamabad Club

■ **EXPLANATION:**

The two-day EU–Pakistan Business Forum was held at the Serena Hotel in Islamabad. It aimed to strengthen economic ties focusing on investment and trade in green energy, digital innovation, and textiles, and launched the EU–Pakistan Business Network.

Q3 1 Trump first hosted Pakistan's Army Chief Field Marshal Asim Munir at the White House in which year?

A) 2023

B) 2024

✓ C) 2025

D) 2026

■ **EXPLANATION:** Trump hosted Field Marshal Asim Munir at the White House in June 2025 — the first time a US president hosted a Pakistani army chief at the White House — setting the stage for Pakistan's diplomatic role in 2026.

Q3 2 A key unresolved issue in the US–Iran MOU relates to Iran's uranium enrichment. Iran reportedly holds approximately how much uranium enriched to 60%?

A) 100 kilograms

B) 250 kilograms

✓ C) 440 kilograms

D) 600 kilograms

■ **EXPLANATION:** Iran holds approximately 440 kilograms of uranium enriched to 60%, which remains a major unresolved issue. The Islamabad MOU calls for downgrading Iranian uranium from weapons-grade to reactor-grade following a final agreement.

Q3 3 The US imposed a naval blockade on Iran on which date after the Islamabad Talks failed?

A) April 10, 2026

✓ B) April 13, 2026

C) April 20, 2026

D) May 1, 2026

■ **EXPLANATION:** Following the failure of the Islamabad Talks on April 12, 2026, US President Trump imposed a naval blockade on Iran on April 13, 2026, interdicting any ships entering or departing Iranian ports.

**Q3
4** Israel's Prime Minister Netanyahu stated after the Islamabad MOU was signed that Israel:

A) Fully supported the peace deal

B) Would join subsequent negotiations

✓ C) 'Would preserve its freedom of action' and was not bound by the agreement

D) Would immediately withdraw from Lebanon

■ **EXPLANATION:** Israeli PM Netanyahu stated that Israel was not bound by the Islamabad MOU and that Israel would 'preserve its freedom of action' against threats from Hezbollah in Lebanon. Israel continued operations in Lebanon after the MOU was signed.

**Q3
5** During the Islamabad Talks in April 2026, which city in Pakistan saw Shia protesters attack the US consulate, killing at least 10 people?

A) Lahore

B) Quetta

✓ C) Karachi

D) Peshawar

■ **EXPLANATION:** Shia protesters attacked the US consulate in Karachi in early March 2026. At least 10 people were killed. A three-day curfew was also imposed in Gilgit-Baltistan due to Iran-related tensions during this period.

**Q3
6** A curfew was imposed in which region of Pakistan during the Iran-war-related tensions in 2026?

A) FATA

✓ B) Gilgit-Baltistan

C) Azad Kashmir

D) South Punjab

■ **EXPLANATION:** A three-day curfew was imposed in Gilgit-Baltistan due to Iran-related tensions during the period of Pakistan's mediation efforts. Field Marshal Munir was simultaneously meeting Shia clerics in Rawalpindi asking for calm.

Q3
7

Pakistan Railways was founded in which year?

A) 1847

B) 1857

✓ C) 1861

D) 1875

■ EXPLANATION:

Pakistan Railways was founded in 1861, during the British colonial era. It is one of the largest employers in Pakistan and runs a vast rail network across the country.

Q3
8

Pakistan's most impoverished province, which has faced a more than two-decade armed insurgency, is:

A) Sindh

B) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

C) South Punjab

✓ D) Balochistan

■ EXPLANATION:

Balochistan is Pakistan's most impoverished province, facing a more than two-decade armed campaign by rebel groups seeking secession. Analysts have noted that economic benefits from Pakistan's diplomatic gains must reach Balochistan to help eliminate terrorism.

Q3
9

Pakistan owes approximately how much to China as highlighted in CFR analysis in 2026?

A) \$30 billion

B) \$50 billion

✓ C) \$70 billion

D) \$90 billion

■ EXPLANATION:

According to the Council on Foreign Relations, Pakistan owes China nearly \$70 billion, making China its primary creditor partner alongside IMF obligations.

Q4
0

Pakistan is the 25th time on an IMF programme since joining the Fund in which year?

A) 1945

✓ B) 1950

C) 1955

D) 1960

■ EXPLANATION:

Pakistan joined the IMF in 1950, and the current arrangement is its 25th since joining. Pakistan's debt servicing at times consumes up to two-thirds of government spending.

Q4
1

The Pakistan–China Five-Point Peace Initiative for the Iran war was delivered on behalf of Pakistan by which official?

A) President Asif Ali Zardari

✓ B) PM Shehbaz Sharif, jointly with China

C) Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar alone

D) Field Marshal Asim Munir

■ EXPLANATION:

PM Shehbaz Sharif jointly with China released the five-point peace initiative on March 31, 2026, calling for an immediate end to hostilities, humanitarian corridors, and diplomatic dialogue as a framework for peace in the Iran war.

Q4
2

The Islamabad Talks in April 2026 were held at which hotel in the Red Zone?

A) Marriott Hotel

✓ B) Serena Hotel

C) Pearl Continental Hotel

D) Ramada Hotel

■ EXPLANATION:

The Serena Hotel in Islamabad, located within the heavily secured Red Zone near key government buildings and foreign embassies, was requisitioned to host the US and Iranian delegations for the April 2026 Islamabad Talks.

Q4
3

The official name of the MOU signed between the US and Iran on June 17, 2026 is:

A) The Geneva Accord 2026

✓ B) The Islamabad Memorandum of Understanding between the United States and the Islamic Republic of Iran

C) The Bürgenstock Declaration

D) The Pakistan Peace Framework

■ EXPLANATION:

The official name is 'The Islamabad Memorandum of Understanding between the United States of America and the Islamic Republic of Iran.' It is named after Islamabad in recognition of Pakistan's central role in brokering the agreement.

Q4
4

In which summit did Pakistan's PM Shehbaz Sharif and Field Marshal Asim Munir participate on June 21–22, 2026?

A) The Davos Economic Forum

B) The G7 Summit

✓ C) The Bürgenstock Summit in Switzerland

D) The UN General Assembly

■ EXPLANATION:

PM Shehbaz Sharif and Field Marshal Asim Munir participated in the Bürgenstock Summit at a resort overlooking Lake Lucerne, Switzerland, on June 21–22, 2026, where they helped finalize the peace framework alongside US and Iranian delegations.

Q4
5

Trump signed the Islamabad MOU while attending dinner with which world leader at the Palace of Versailles?

A) UK PM Keir Starmer

B) German Chancellor Friedrich Merz

✓ C) French President Emmanuel Macron

D) Italian PM Giorgia Meloni

■ EXPLANATION:

Trump signed the Islamabad MOU remotely on June 17, 2026, during dinner with French President Emmanuel Macron at the Palace of Versailles, following the G7 summit.

Q4 6 Which Pakistani institution is described as Pakistan's 'IMF arrangement no. 25' in 2026 reporting?

A) State Bank of Pakistan

B) Ministry of Finance

✓ C) Pakistan's overall government financial arrangement

D) SECP

■ **EXPLANATION:**

Pakistan's current (2026) IMF support programme is referred to as its 25th arrangement since joining the Fund in 1950, reflecting the country's long history of recurring financial support from the international lender.

Q4 7 The Islamabad Talks in April 2026 consisted of how many rounds of negotiation?

A) Two

✓ B) Three

C) Four

D) Five

■ **EXPLANATION:**

The Islamabad Talks consisted of three rounds: the first was indirect, and the second and third were direct face-to-face negotiations between the US and Iranian delegations. The 21-hour talks ended without a formal agreement.

Q4 8 Pakistan's diplomatic framework of positioning itself as an ongoing mediator (not a one-time broker) is referred to as:

✓ A) The Islamabad Process

B) The Pakistan Initiative

C) The Shehbaz Doctrine

D) The South Asian Bridge

■ **EXPLANATION:**

Pakistan's framing of itself as an ongoing diplomatic track is referred to as the 'Islamabad Process.' This directly challenges India's historical narrative that wants Pakistan seen as a problem rather than a partner.

Q4
9

What was the IMF's projected inflation rate for Pakistan in 2026?

A) 5.1%

✓ B) 7.2%

C) 9.8%

D) 12.4%

■ **EXPLANATION:**

The IMF projected Pakistan's inflation rate at 7.2% for 2026, while Pakistan itself targets inflation of 8.2% for the coming fiscal year. Significant progress has been made in reducing the inflation that peaked above 30% in 2023.

Q5
0

Pakistan's Balochistan province borders which Iranian province, making it strategically relevant to the 2026 Iran war context?

✓ A) Sistan-Baluchestan

B) Kerman

C) Hormozgan

D) Khuzestan

■ **EXPLANATION:**

Pakistan's Balochistan province shares a long border with Iran's Sistan-Baluchestan province. This geographic proximity made the Balochistan–Iran border region sensitive during the 2026 conflict and relevant to Pakistan's mediation role.

Q5
1

Which multilateral body's summit was taking place around the same time as the Islamabad MOU signing, providing a diplomatic backdrop for Trump's signature?

A) NATO Summit

B) UN Security Council

✓ C) G7 Summit

D) SCO Summit

■ **EXPLANATION:**

The G7 Summit was taking place around the time of the MOU signing. Trump signed the document during dinner with French President Macron at the Palace of Versailles following the G7 summit.

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