**Centre for Public Policy and Governance**

**Forman Christian College (A Chartered University) Lahore.**

**Admission Test**

**PhD in Public Policy**

[A 2-3 page short essay on a public policy issue facing Pakistan or South Asia. The essay will require giving a reasoned understanding of the given issue.]

**Question 1: Essay Writing**

Please draft a 2-3-page short essay on one of the following options.

Option 1: How can Pakistan survive climate change? Give concrete policy proposals, not a wish list.

Option 2: If the Taliban do not change their behavior and act as they did in the late 1990s, what policy options Pakistan has to minimize conflict?

Option 3: How can government contribute to improve social connections in Pakistani society in the emerging post-Covid-19 world?

Option 4: What kind of policy research you think Pakistani government should prioritize?

Option 5: Are policy problems technical? Or political? Please give your views.

**Question 2: Mathematical Section**

Question 1: **Find the value of X
4x - 6=7x + 18**

Question 2: **Ahmad purchased a sofa for $400 and sold it for $380. Calculate his loss percent.**

Question 3: Question ?

 

Question 4: **A is 2 years older than B who is twice as old as C. If the total of the ages of A, B and C be 27, then how old is B?**

[A section consisting of short questions on public policy issues to assess applicant’s analytical capacity]

**Question 3: Analytical Capacity**

Question 1: Why violence against women is rising in Pakistan?

Question 2: Has technology taken over our lives and hindered social relationships?

Question 3: Why do public policies fail in Pakistan? How do you analyze policy failings?

Question 4: If cities are engines of growth, why urban expansion is considered a problem?

Question 5: Why Pakistani policymakers do not use insights from social science and policy research?

[A brief comments section (maximum one page) on the policymaking institutions of Pakistan to check applicant’s familiarity with them]

**Question 4: Policymaking Institutions**

Option 1: How can we the students and teachers encourage women in Pakistan to take a more active role in joining political parties?

Option 2: How can political parties establish party based policy formulation and policy analysis wings? Give practical suggestions.

Option 3: Are you satisfied with the role of the Planning and Development Department, Government of the Punjab? Give reasons for your answer.

Option 4: How impactful do you think the Single National Curriculum will be? What are some issues with it and what suggestions would you give to improve it?

Option 5: How the Federal Board of Revenue can be made more efficient and effective?

Option 6: How will you reform the officer/official training institutes of the federal and provincial governments?

Option 7: Do courts have a role in effective policymaking? Discuss.