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for the guidance of teachers

0680 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

0680/41 Paper 41 (Alternative to Coursework), maximum raw mark 60

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- 1 (a) some products used for food/personal use; timber used for building; no spare products for export/eq; not profitable/not of high value; [2]
- (b) country gains foreign exchange/revenue/eq;
can be used to pay for imports; sensible reference to balance of payments/controlling national budget/debt/company profits; helps government spending on infrastructure/eq; maintains/ creates jobs; [2]
- (c) (i) 20 plants on each row (+/-1); even spacing; [2]
- (ii) orientation; labelled axes (both, minimum yield/density); plots;; [4]
- (iii) allow correct figure from drawn graph; (58–62 usually) [1]
- (iv) no increase in yield compared to 70 thousand; so profits reduced/not profitable; more work for no return/eq; more work to harvest; more expensive to plant; [2]
- (d) (i) as planting density increases reduction of soil erosion increases/eq; not much change in soil erosion between 60–80 planting density/eq; [2]
- (ii) 50 or 60 max yield (per Ha)/profit compared to planting costs; nutrients retained to help yields/eq; [2]
- (iii) removal of topsoil/eq; [1]
- (iv) removal of plant cover; overcropping; loss of root binding; reference to lack of interception/described; infiltration/soil saturation; removal of topsoil/fertile layer; surface run-off; erosion by water; wind; reference to flooding; [4]
- (e) (i) only two densities sampled; two pineapples not representative/eq; only diameter measured; [2]
- (ii) suitable table, rows/columns for 25 items of data; densities/field number; and diameter headings; [3]
- (iii) more measurements for each pineapple to see changes with density/type of growth/eq; several densities sampled to see pattern/could be presented as a graph; [2]
- 2 (a) (i) 4000;; [2]
- (ii) so government could gain more revenue form HEP/eq; people would not object to scheme; [1]
- (b) generate more power/electricity; unlikely to dry out/eq; allow one of – does not release carbon dioxide/so does not contribute to greenhouse effect/ low running costs/renewable source of energy; [2]

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- (c) so numbers of people fishing can be known/controlled; to prevent overfishing/eq; [2]
- (d) (i) No, averages similar; for nitrate; and phosphate; idea that most readings close to average (0.2 difference); reference to figures; [3]
- (ii) Sample point 1: nitrate/55; much higher than the others; a measuring error may have occurred; ignore this reading as it's the only one not in close agreement/eq; [2]
- (iii) to make it more reliable; [1]
- (e) algal bloom; blocks out light so plants die; bacteria multiply; use up oxygen; fish die; reference to eutrophication; [3]
- (f) (i) overall bromacil passes through soil to water; 50 m in 60 days; breaks down in all soils after 180 days/eq; enters the water; from both fields; reference to figures to show absence; [3]
- (ii) P – S cross *and* T tick; [1]
- (iii) (even with a larger soil barrier) bromacil entered the water/lake; do not know what damage bromacil might do to water; not worth taking the risk; [2]
- 3 (a) (i) advantage must be a statement amplified in candidate's own words; [1]
- (ii) disadvantage must be a statement amplified in candidate's own words; [1]
- (iii) disadvantage must be a statement amplified in candidate's own words; [1]
- (b) (i) non polluting/oxygen not a greenhouse gas/eq/uses renewable energy; [1]
- (ii) *in favour*: could develop aluminium processing industries to create jobs; smelter creates jobs; raises standard of living; not polluting; transport by sea uses less fuel; may be able to use own bauxite later if price rises; AVP;
- against*: too much electricity used so not enough for the country; country will not make much money/company will make most money; country needs to invest heavily for several years/other things to spend money on; AVP;
- MAX 4 for an argument only in favour or against [5]