# UNIVERSITY OF DHAKA
# DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
## Professional Masters in International Relations (PMIR) Program
## 15th Batch Admission Test (Summer 2026)

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Test Duration: 2 (Two) Hours

Total Marks: 100

The Admission Test includes the following sections:

*Section I - Objective Questions : 30 marks*
*Section II - English Language : 20 marks*
*Section III - Analytical Writing Skills : 50 marks*

**PLEASE NOTE**

1. Each question in Sections I and II carries 1 mark.

2. In Section III, candidates need to answer any 2 essay questions out of 5, each carrying 25 marks. Please use the blank pages in this booklet to answer the questions. No additional papers will be provided.

3. **Candidates must not turn over this page until they are asked to do so**. Any breach of this instruction by the candidates may result in the cancellation of the admission test.

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*June 28, 2026*

## SECTION I: OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS
**Marks: 30**

This section contains **30 (thirty)** questions. Each question carries **1 (one)** mark.

**Tick (✓) the correct answer from the given alternatives (1-15)** (15x1=15)

1. Which organization is responsible for maintaining international peace and security?

   a. WTO
   b. IMF
   c. UN
   d. OPEC

2. Which UN agency publishes the annual Human Development Report?

   a. ILO
   b. UNDP
   c. FAO
   d. WHO

3. The term "Net Zero" is primarily associated with -

   a. Military spending
   b. Population growth
   c. Carbon emission reduction
   d. International trade

4. Which country launched the Belt and Road Initiative?

   a. Japan
   b. India
   c. China
   d. South Korea

5. Nelson Mandela was imprisoned on which island?

   a. Robben
   b. Borneo
   c. Madagascar
   d. Baffin

6. Who is the author of The Art of War?

   a. Sun Tzu
   b. Sun Bin
   c. Mao Zedong
   d. Kautilya

7. What does IORA stand for?

    a. Indian Ocean Regional Association
    b. Indian Ocean Research Association
    c. Indian Ocean Rim Association
    d. Indian Ocean Regional Alliance

8. Which two countries border the Strait of Hormuz?

    a. Iran and Iraq
    b. Iran and Qatar
    c. Iran and Oman
    d. Iran and Bahrain

9. Which three countries are jointly hosting the 2026 FIFA World Cup?

    a. The United States, Mexico and Canada
    b. Canada, Mexico and Italy
    c. Canada, Mexico and Spain
    d. Mexico, Canada and United Kingdom

10. The Aztec civilization was located in which modern-day country?

    a. Peru
    b. Canada
    c. Mexico
    d. Brazil

11. Which country acted as a mediator between the United States and Iran during the 2026 conflict?

    a. Türkiye
    b. Pakistan
    c. Lebanon
    d. Qatar

12. Which countries are involved in the Kaladan Multi-Modal Transport Project?

    a. India and Nepal
    b. India and Myanmar
    c. Myanmar and China
    d. China and India

13. Which country exercises administrative control over the Senkaku Islands?

    a. China
    b. Japan
    c. USA
    d. Taiwan

14. Which country is not a permanent member of the UN Security Council?

    a. Germany
    b. France
    c. China
    d. Russia

15. The headquarters of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) is located in -

    a. Geneva
    b. Vienna
    c. Brussels
    d. The Hague

**Answer the following short questions (16-30)** (15x1=15)

16. What does NATO stand for?

    **Answer:**

17. Which city hosts the headquarters of the European Union?

    **Answer:**

18. Which organization publishes the World Economic Outlook report?

    **Answer:**

19. Which sport is associated with the Wimbledon tournament?

    **Answer:**

20. Where are the headquarters of BIMSTEC located?

    **Answer:**

21. Which country is the largest export destination for Bangladesh?

    **Answer:**

22. What does ASEAN stand for?

    **Answer:**

23. Which country controls the Suez Canal?

    **Answer:**

24. Which country first gave women the right to vote?

    **Answer:**

25. Who was elected as President of the 81st session of the United Nations General Assembly in 2026?

    **Answer:**

26. Who is the current Secretary-General of the United Nations?

    **Answer:**

27. Who is the author of Orientalism?

    **Answer:**

28. Kharg Island is located in which country?

**Answer:**

29. The New Development Bank is associated with which intergovernmental organization?

**Answer:**

30. Who was the world's first female Prime Minister?

**Answer:**

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## SECTION II: ENGLISH LANGUAGE
**Marks: 20**

**Rearrange the words to make complete sentences (1-5)** (5x1=5)

1. A sacrosanct of international law sovereignty principle is.

   **Answer:**

2. Risen sharply has the number of asylum applications this year.

   **Answer:**

3. The security of peace women in processes advances inclusion.

   **Answer:**

4. Conducting Ukraine on infrastructure Russian is strikes drone energy.

   **Answer:**

5. Essential remains diplomacy to reopening the Hormuz of Strait.

   **Answer:**

**Fill in the blanks with appropriate adjectives (6-10)** **(**5x1=5)

6. The Gaza ceasefire agreement remains …….. amid ongoing violations. (fragile/fragility/fragilely)

7. Cultural diplomacy is an …….tool to promote people-to-people contact. (effective/effectively/effectiveness)

8. Norway has the …….. press in the world. (free/more free/freest)

9. Bernard Brodie was an ……. Strategist. (influencer/influence/influential)

10. The world environment is ……. degrading. (rapid/rapidly/rapidestly)

**Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence (11-15)** (5x1=5)

11. Economic development should not come …… the expense of environmental protection.

    a. for
    b. at
    c. by
    d. with

12. The Nights Are Quite in Tehran is a book penned ……. Shida Bazyar.

    a. to
    b. from
    c. by
    d. in

13. States must act in accordance ……. International law.

    a. to
    b. with
    c. by
    d. for

14. Ceasefires are unlikely to last …….all parties respect them.

    a. unless
    b. although
    c. because
    d. wherreas

15. Governments must ……. that disaster funds reach the most vulnerable communities.

    a. insure
    b. assure
    c. ensure
    d. assume

**Re-write the following sentences in correct forms (16-20)** (5x1=5)

16. The U.S. government **has introduce** new visa regulations for international students.

    **Answer:**

17. Carbon-removal technologies must grow **more faster** to meet climate goals.

    **Answer:**

18. Cyber defenses **requires** cooperation between governments and private firms.

    **Answer:**

19. The Kutupalong refugee camp is one of the world's **large** refugee camps.

    **Answer:**

20. She performs her work **diligent**.

    **Answer:**

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## SECTION III: ANALYTICAL WRITING SKILLS
**Marks: 50**

**Answer any 2 (two) of the following questions** (25x2=50)

1. Do you agree with the view that the Iran-US-Israel war has paradoxically strengthened Tehran's geopolitical leverage and strategic position rather than crippling it? Provide reasons for your answer.

2. As the President-elect of the United Nations General Assembly, Bangladesh holds a significant international position. In your view, what opportunities does this role provide for advancing the interests of developing countries? How can Bangladesh effectively use this platform to strengthen the voice of the Global South in global governance?

3. What factors have hindered the safe, voluntary, and sustainable return of the Rohingyas to Myanmar? Discuss the roles of Myanmar, Bangladesh, regional actors and international actors in resolving the crisis.

4. Given the recent trend of the rise of right-wing politics worldwide, do you think that democracy is under threat? Justify your answer.

5. What are the major challenges to peace and security in South Asia?

**[Please start answering from below the line and write on both sides of the papers]**