

CHAPTER-5

ALTERNATIVE TO URDU (COMPULSORY)

5.1 Alternative to Urdu compulsory at SSC level

Geography of Pakistan I & II in lieu of Urdu Compulsory I & II will be offered to the following categories of students:

- (a) Foreign national.
- (b) Pakistani national who remains/remained abroad, where the opportunity to study Urdu did not exist, for a continuous period of three years or more immediately before seeking admission in class 9th or in case of private candidate before submitting the examination form to the Board.
- (c) Pakistani whose mother is of foreign origin.

Note-I: The period for stay abroad will be counted at the time of submission of admission form in case of private candidate.

Note-II: Facility of alternative subjects given to a candidate at SSC level will be extendable at HSSC level without any administrative approval and fee.

5.2 Alternative to Urdu (Compulsory) at HSSC level

Pakistani Culture I & II in lieu of Urdu Compulsory I & II will be offered to the following categories of students:

- (a) Foreign national.
- (b) Pakistani national who remains/remained abroad, where the opportunity to study Urdu did not exist **in the stream/scheme of studies a student is pursuing**, for a continuous period of four years or more before seeking admission in class-11th or in case of private candidate immediately before submitting the examination form to the Board.
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- (c) Pakistani whose mother is of foreign origin.

5.3 A candidate coming from any other Board after qualifying the SSC Part-I/HSSC Part-I examination with the alternative to Urdu Compulsory shall be permitted to appear in the same paper of Part-II if already offered by the FBISE to the students of its affiliated institutions; otherwise, he/she shall have to opt for Geography of Pakistan/Pakistan Culture in lieu of Urdu (Compulsory) and the result of SSC Part-I/HSSC Part-I examination will be considered by Migration Committee of FBISE as per rules.

5.4 A Pakistani national passing “O” level examination from Pakistan or those who passed SSC with Urdu Compulsory from within Pakistan or abroad shall not be allowed alternative to Urdu Compulsory. **However, a student who has passed “O” level or equivalent examination without Urdu Compulsory from abroad will be eligible for alternative to Urdu Compulsory.**
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5.5 A student migrating from other Boards after having cleared Sindhi/approved provincial language will be granted Geography of Pakistan/Pakistan Culture in lieu of Urdu (Compulsory) Paper-II as the case may be.

5.6 **In hardship cases, Chairman is empowered to approve/ consider/decide the case for alternative to Urdu Compulsory.**
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