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International Politics of East Asia

Monday, 15 May 2006 : 10.00am to 1.00pm

Candidates should answer **THREE** of the following **TWELVE** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

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1. How complete is United States hegemony in East Asia?
2. 'The greatest threat to regional security in Northeast Asia is the conflict across the Taiwan Strait.' Discuss
3. 'Japan does not have an autonomous Asia policy.' Discuss
4. The evidence for China's 'peaceful rise' is as difficult to find as the evidence for the 'China threat'. Do you agree?
5. 'Nationalism is at the heart of problems in Sino-Japanese relations.' Discuss
6. Is Southeast Asia the 'second front' in the war against terror?
7. Assess ASEAN's contribution to regional security in the post-Cold War period.
8. 'Bilateralism, not multilateralism is all the rage in regional economic relations in East Asia'. Discuss
9. Do you agree that the ASEAN Regional Forum is irrelevant?
10. Is North Korea responsible for the continued crisis on the Korean Peninsula?
11. 'Balance of power politics remain alive and well in East Asia, but it is no longer of the conventional countervailing type.' Discuss.
12. Discuss the role of **either** Russia **or** India in the international politics of East Asia.

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