

Geography

Section II

25 marks

Attempt Questions 16–19

Allow about 45 minutes for this section

Use the Stimulus Booklet and your knowledge of geography to answer Questions 16–19 in the spaces provided.

Marks

Question 16 (6 marks)

Refer to Source C.

Using evidence from the photographs, identify ONE challenge of living in mega cities in the developing world and describe TWO responses to this challenge.

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Photograph 1 of Source C suggests ~~housing shortages~~ ^{unmet housing shortages} to be a challenge of living in mega cities. Housing supply is often unable to meet the demands of a rapidly growing population, and so many reside in squatter settlements, similar to that in photograph 1. A response to such a problem is core-housing projects where the basic materials are provided and the people build their own houses, adding to them progressively. This is implemented in Mexico City, as 'Vivienda progresiva'. Government tolerance is another response to housing shortages. Though squatters do not have legal title to land, governments allow them to build settlements, or in some cases give them legal title.