

**Question 21 (7 marks)**

Evaluate the impact of industrial sources of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides on the environment, making use of appropriate chemical equations.

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The industrial sources of Sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides such as  $\text{NO}$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$  &  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$  can cause significant negative impacts on the environment.  $\text{SO}_2$  and the effect of SO<sub>2</sub>. The impact that  $\text{SO}_2$  and nitrogen oxides can have when released into the air, that could impact the environment, is that it could cause acid rain. Acid rain water usually has a pH level of around 7-7.5.  ~~$\text{NO}_2$~~  When  $\text{SO}_2$  and ~~not~~ nitrogen oxides being released into the environment can cause the pH level of rain & the clouds to a pH level of 5-6.5 which is acidic and can even be corrosive to the skin. Acid rain can even endanger plant and animal environment due to the rain being acidic.

