

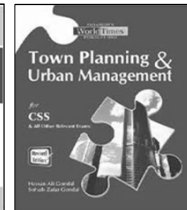
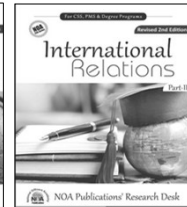


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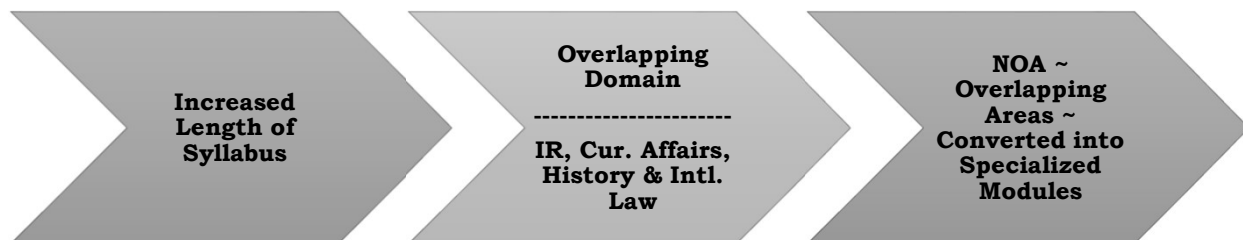
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(2~3)

3- International
Relations-I
(2~3)

4- International
Relations-II
(3~4)

5- Political Science-I
(1~2)

6- Political Science-II
(1~2)

7- Indo-Pak History
8- US-History
9- European History
(~1)

10- International Law
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Syllabus

Concepts Analysis
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Foreign Policy
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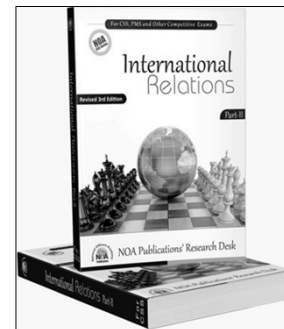
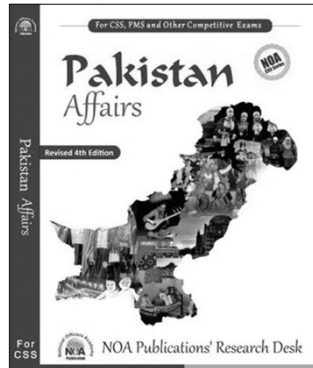
Regional Perspective
~ Peace Making
~ South Asia
~ Focus (Indo-Pak)

~ Pakistan Foreign Policy for USA Post 9/11 ~ China FP
~ Georgian Crisis ~ Crimean Crisis ~ Recognition of Israel
~ Maps ~ BRI/CPEC ~ US vs. Russia ~ USA vs. China ~ India vs. China

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Recommended Readings



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Topic: Foreign Policy & National Interest

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Introduction

Theme-1:
**A policy pursued by a state in its FUTURE DEALINGS
 with ANOTHER STATE in order to secure its own
 NATIONAL INTEREST.**

- **Roadmap for Future**
- **One-to-One Interaction**
- **Under the Rationale of National Interest**
- **Written/Unwritten, Declared/Undeclared, Covert/Overt**

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Case Study: National Interest

Survival

Immediate Existential Needs

Stability

Mid-Term Needs

Sustainability

Long-Term Needs

Raison D'état

Reason of Existence of a State

3S-RD-6NI

Significance : Primary NI
: Secondary NI

Permanence : Permanent NI
: Temporary NI

Relevance : General NI
: Specific NI

~ Security ~ Welfare ~ Law & Order ~ Justice ~ Freedom ~ Ideology

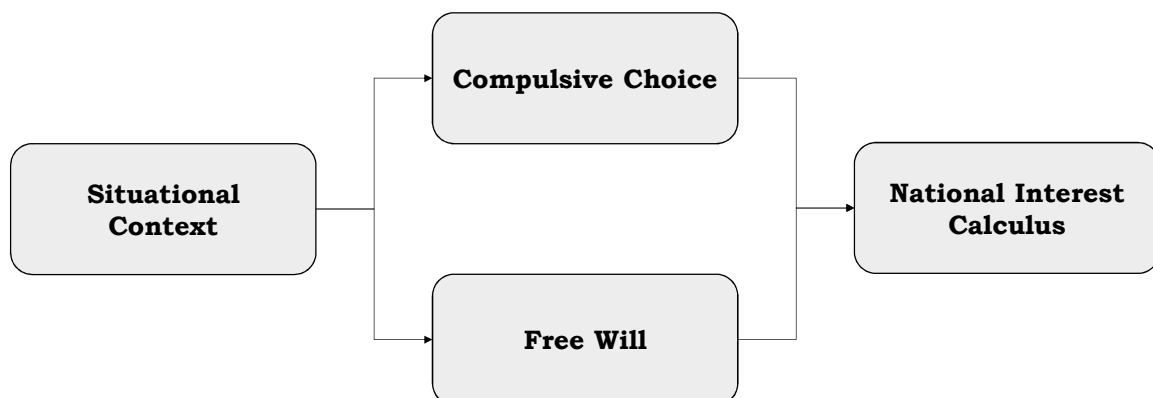
Challenge:
Anything with a potential negative impact

Paper Attempting Tip:
Bottom-Up Approach

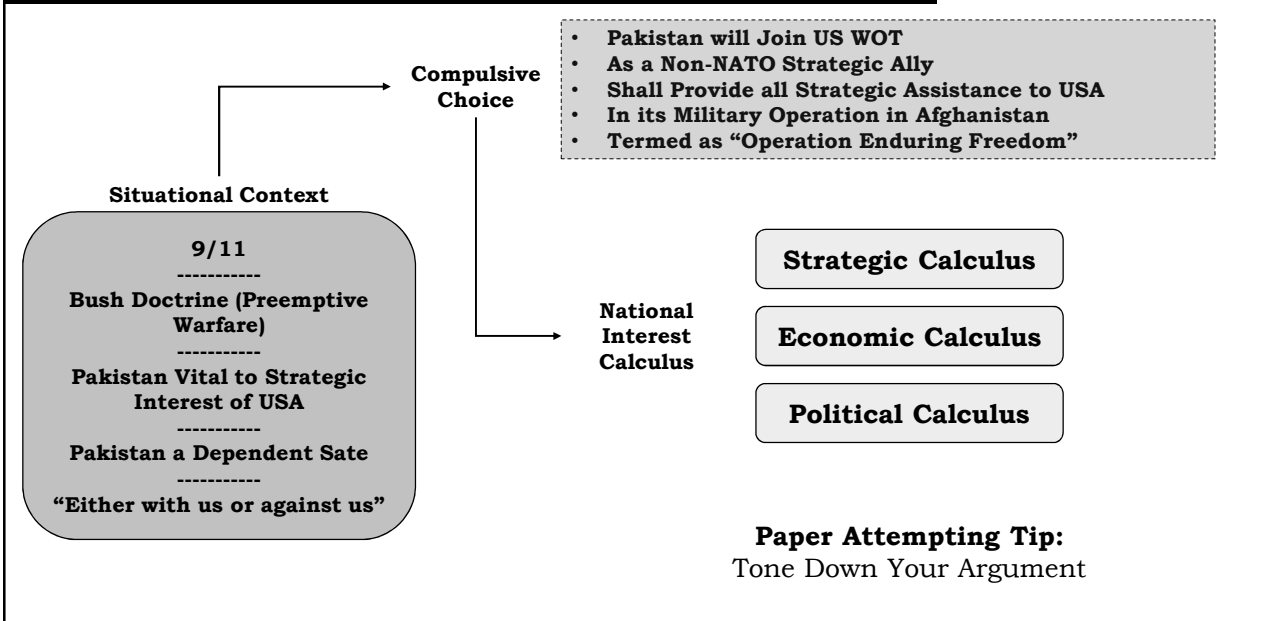
Evaluating Effectiveness of Foreign Policy
Theme-2:

**Success of a foreign policy is dependent upon
 COMPARATIVE GAINS of NATIONAL INTERESTS in
 state's own HISTORICAL CONTEXT.**

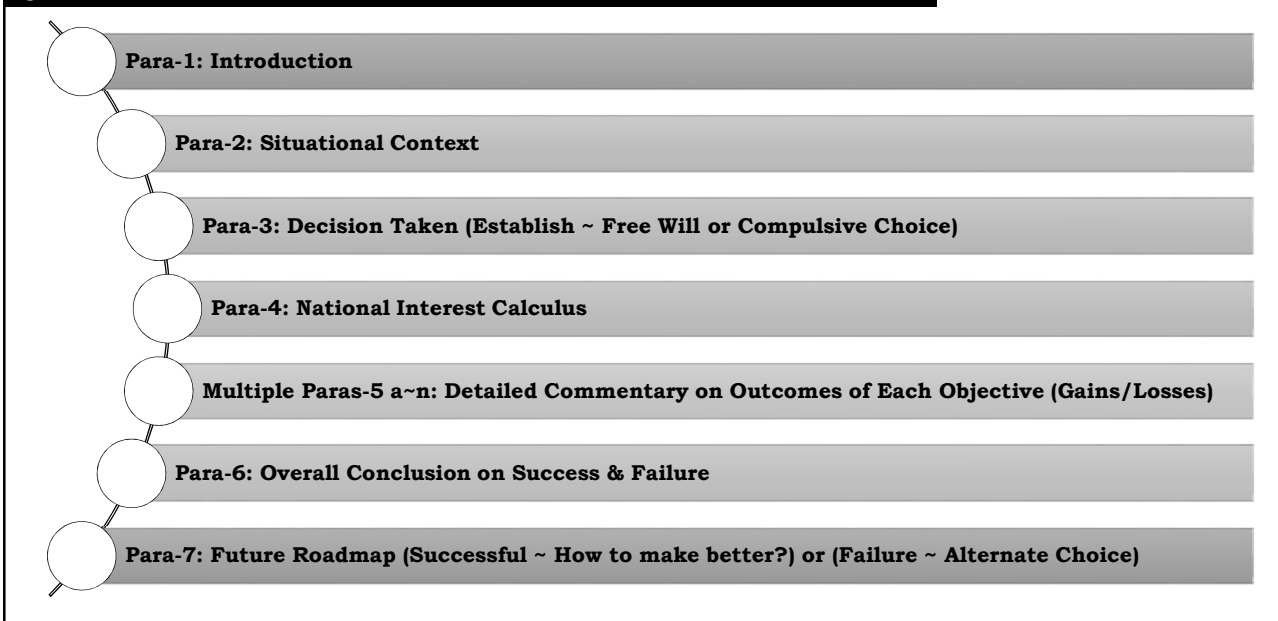
- **Leader to Leader Comparison**
- **Regime to Regime Comparison**
- **Event to Event Comparison**
- **Era to Era Comparison**
- **Point to Entire History Comparison**

Evaluating Effectiveness of Foreign Policy
Foreign Policy Formulation Process ~ Understand Jargons


Post 9/11 Pakistan Foreign Policy for USA



Question Pattern



Determinants of Foreign Policy

All those factors which are **BROUGHT UNDER CONSIDERATION** in order to reach any **FOREIGN POLICY DECISION** would be termed as **determinant of foreign policy.**

Domestic Determinants Domestic Stimuli Internal Factors Elements of National Power
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Military Capabilities • Economic Capabilities • Type of Government (Leader's Perception) • Size of a State & Geography • Culture and History • Technology • National Capacity • Social Structure • Public Mood & Role of Media • Political Accountability • Leadership

International Determinants International Stimuli External Factors Environmental Factors
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geo-Politics • International Organizations • World Public Opinion • Polar Structure

Assessing Role of Determinants

Theme-3:
Comparison of both states on basis of ELEMENTS OF NATIONAL POWER as well as ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS serves as determinants of foreign policy.

Analysis Method
Remember 'END'

E = Enabler

- Point of Strength
- Point of Advantage
- Free Will

N = No Impact

- Irrelevant in
Respective
Situational
Context

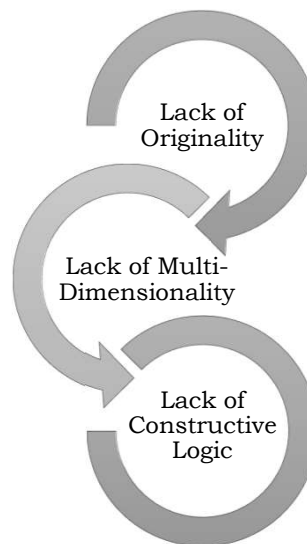
D = Disabler

- Point of Weakness
- Point of Disadvantage
- Compulsive Choice

Recognition of Israel

Brainstorming (Argument Building) Tip:
Why-Why Analysis?

Element	END	Decision
Military Capabilities	N	~
Economic Capabilities	N	~
Social System/ Values	D	No
Political System/ Culture	D	No



Sample Paragraph

Debate of recognition of Israel has once again resurfaced in diplomatic power corridors of Pakistan. However, careful consideration against multiple determinants shall reveal that any prospective decision of recognition shall come up with both advantages and disadvantages. On the front of advantages, there is a probability that we shall be able to acquire superior military technology to further boost our defense capabilities. Furthermore, we can gain diplomatic leverage of Israel as well its economic niche to bring positive economic outcomes for Pakistan's ailing economy. However, the strategic and economic gains can be traded-off by further boosting our ties with our existing strategic partners – primarily CHINA. However, on the end of disadvantages, this decision shall create major backlash as far as socio-political stability is concerned. There is a high probability that this non-populist decision shall create political instability. In addition, this decision can lead to extreme reaction from different religious factions resulting in further polarization of societal fabric. If we weigh both advantages and disadvantages, apparently the later one appears to be more significant. So, our decision should be based upon socio-political lens. AND it is not feasible to go for any hasty decision of recognition without changing the mindset of masses and a wider consensus building exercise at national level.

Decision Making & Analysis of FP

**Graham
Allison's
Models
(ABC Model)**

A. Rational Actor Model

B. Bureaucratic Politics Model

C. Bargaining Model

Topic: Russia in Focus
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Russian Foreign Policy Framework					
Discussion Building Theme Pre-Post 9/11					
Situational Context	Compulsive Choice	National Interest Calculus	Paradigm Shift	Situational Context	Free Will
Defeated in Cold War Collapsed in 15 Parts 4x Domain Weakness • Military • Economy • Political • Social + NATO Strict Surveillance	• Internalized • Isolationist • Skeptical • Reactive • Domestic Agenda Centric	4R • Restrengthen • Rehabilitate • Restructure • Reconstruct REGAIN IT LOST NATIONAL POWER BASE	Paradigm Shift	9/11 ----- Bush Misperception about Russia ----- Bush Doctrine "Preemptive Warfare Doctrine" ----- NATO + US Got Engaged in WoT (Afghanistan) ----- Strategic Vacuum for Russia	• Externalized • Expansionist • Hawkish • Proactive • Global Hegemony Centric RE-EMERGE AS A REVISIONIST GLOBAL SUPERPOWER AND OPENLY CHALLENGE THE UNIPOLAR STATUS QUO WORLD ORDER OF USA
1991				9/11	
					Today

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Thucydides Trap ~ Road to Resurgence	
Paper Attempting Tip: Use Concept "THUCYDIDES TRAP"	Situational Context: American Diverted Focus Free Will: Externalized, Expansionist, Hawkish, Proactive, Global Hegemony Centric Goal: Re-emerge as a Revisionist Global Superpower and Openly Challenge the Unipolar Status Quo World Order of USA
USSR ~ 1950 ~ Administrative Transfers South Ossetia Transferred to Georgia Crimea Transferred to Ukraine	
UN Led Boundary Commission "American Wilsonian Vision at Play"	
Irredentism at Play Historical claims of one state on the territory of another state.	



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Russian Build-Up (From Georgia to Crimea)


- 2007 ~ Military Operation in S-Ossetia
- Terrorism vs. Genocide (Ethnic Cleansing)
- Anti-Terrorism vs. Humanitarian Intervention
- Bush Response ~ POLICY OF APPEASEMENT
- Backfired

- 2014 ~ Annexation of Crimea
- Controversial Referendum
- Obama Response ~ POLICY OF BRINKMANSHIP
 - Assets & Investment Frozen
 - Stoppage of Gas Supplies to Europe
 - Embargo on Arm Supplies
 - Putin Entering into SYRIAN Theatre
- Backfired

Theme:
 “Continuity of American Miscalculations”

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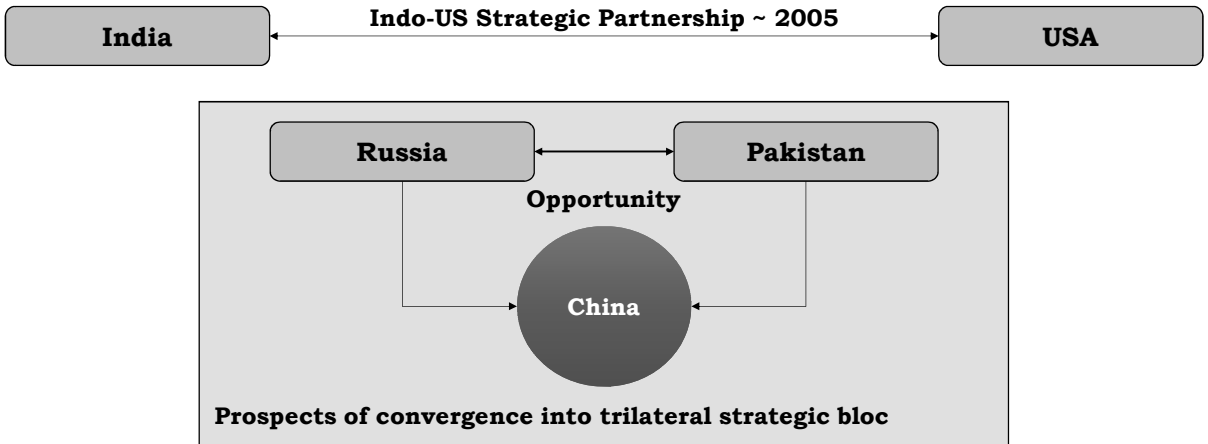
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Decoding Pak-Russia Relations


Indo-US Strategic Partnership ~ 2005



Thesis Statement: The growing pulse of cordial relationship between Islamabad and Moscow was in reality a reaction to Indo-US Strategic Partnership further facilitated and catalyzed by Chinese converging (facilitatory) factor.

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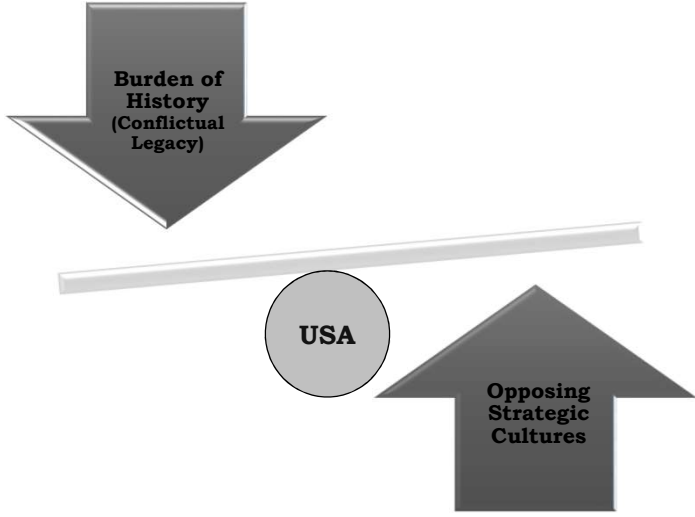


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Pak-Russia Relations (Irritants & Aspects)


Discussion Building Theme
Acronym for Russian Actions
(Foreign Policy)
“NOS”

- **N = Nature ~ Reactive**
- **O = Orientation ~ Anti-USA**
- **S = Scale ~ Entire Globe**



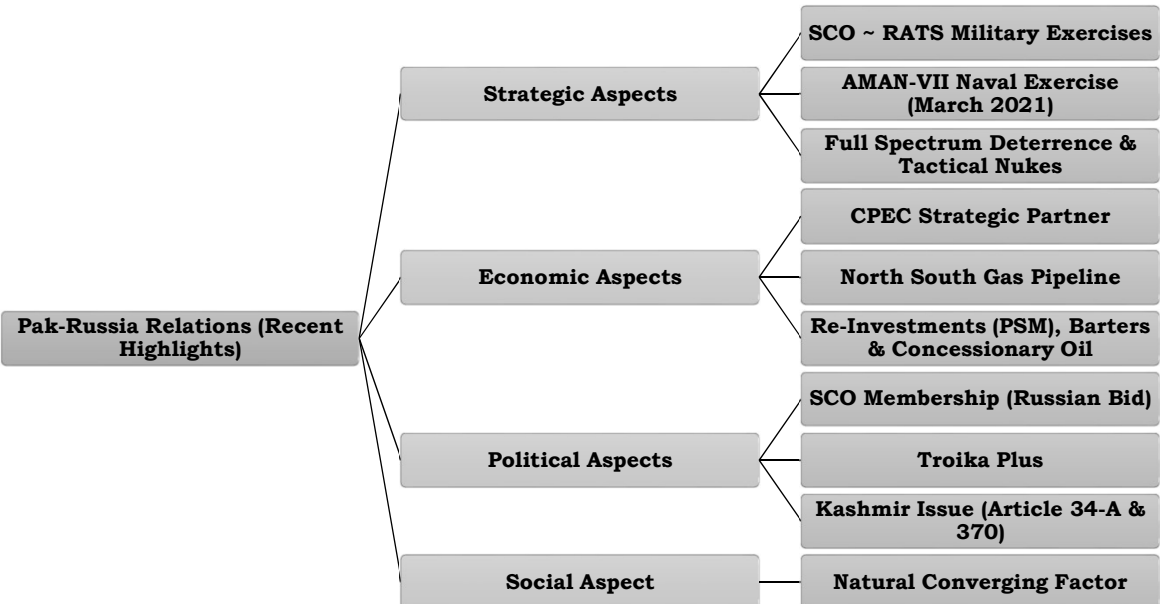
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Recent Cooperation & A Pulse for Future



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    Root[Pak-Russia Relations (Recent Highlights)] --> Strategic[Strategic Aspects]
    Root --> Economic[Economic Aspects]
    Root --> Political[Political Aspects]
    Root --> Social[Social Aspect]
    
    Strategic --> S1[SCO ~ RATS Military Exercises]
    Strategic --> S2[AMAN-VII Naval Exercise (March 2021)]
    Strategic --> S3[Full Spectrum Deterrence & Tactical Nukes]
    
    Economic --> E1[CPEC Strategic Partner]
    Economic --> E2[North South Gas Pipeline]
    Economic --> E3[Re-Investments (PSM), Barters & Concessionary Oil]
    
    Political --> P1[SCO Membership (Russian Bid)]
    Political --> P2[Troika Plus]
    Political --> P3[Kashmir Issue (Article 34-A & 370)]
    
    Social --> SO1[Natural Converging Factor]
    
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Topic: Understanding Key Aspects of Maps

Recommended Readings

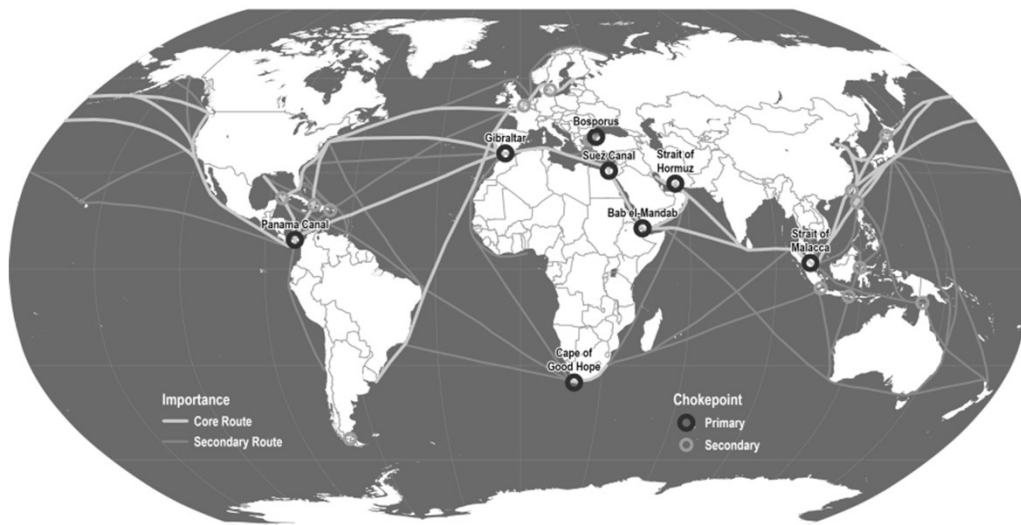
- **No Reading ~ For Interest ~ Prisoners of Geography (Tim Marshall)**



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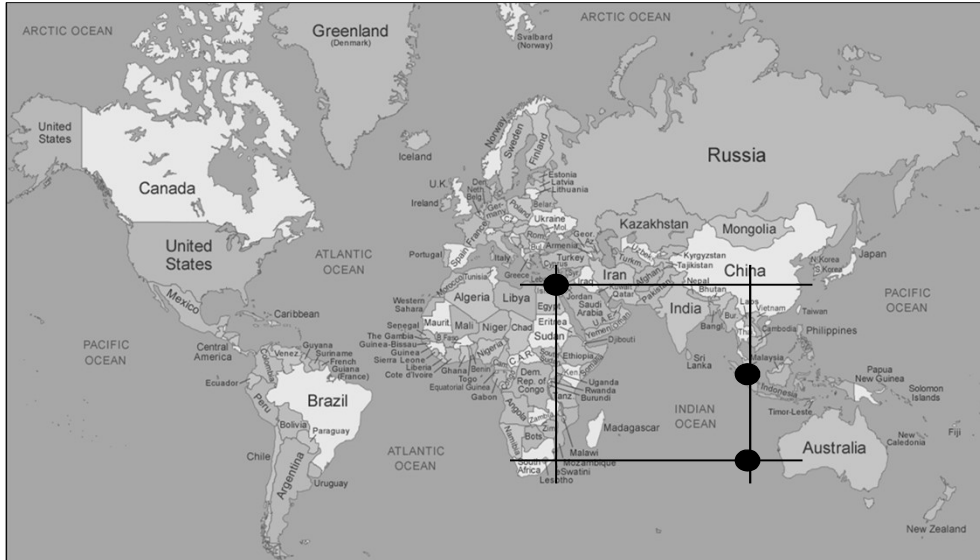
Understanding SLOCs & Choke Points

- **SLOCs** ~ **Sea Lanes of Communication**
- **Choke Points** ~ **Bottlenecks points connecting sea's pathways**



Understanding Regions (Indian Ocean Region)

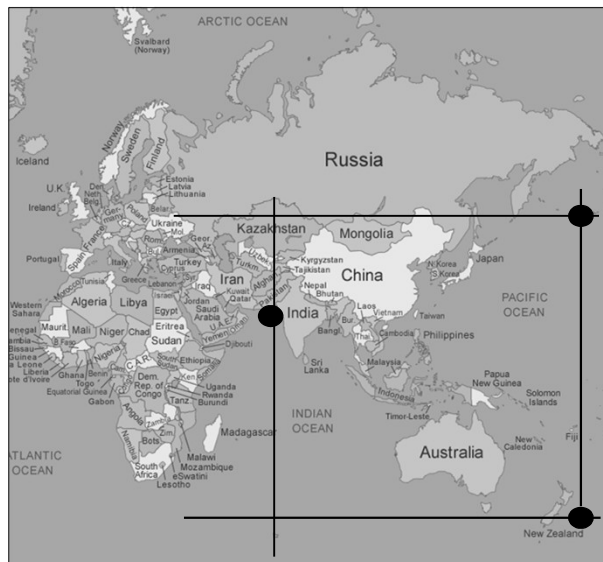
- **Regions are marked either by marking choke points or extreme points or both.**



- Hotspots**
- **Pak-India**
 - **KSA vs. Iran**
 - **China vs. India**
 - **Sri Lanka**
 - **Afghanistan**
 - **Persian Gulf**
 - **Yemen Crisis**
 - **BRI (CPEC)**
 - **Arabian Sea**
 - **Energy Politics**
 - **India vs. Nepal**
 - **Mynammar**
 - **7th Fleet (USA)**
 - **Critical Chokes**
 - **Etc.**

Understanding Regions (Asia-Pacific)

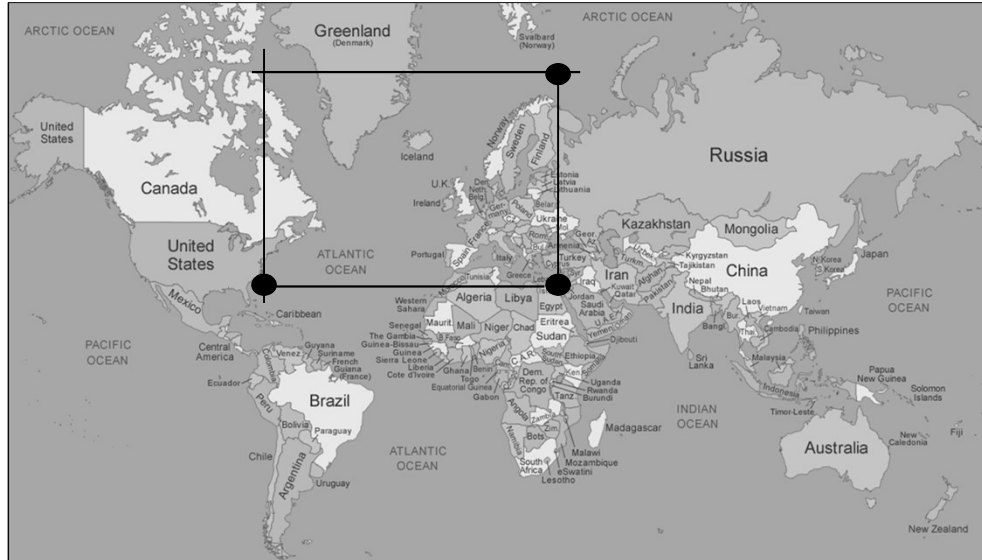
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- Hotspots**
- **Pak-India**
 - **China-India**
 - **South Asia**
 - **SEA**
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- **Korean Issue**
 - **Japan vs. China**
 - **AUKUS**
 - **QUAD**
 - **FOIP**
 - **SCS**
 - **ECS**
 - **BRI**
 - **RECP**

Understanding Regions (Euro-Atlantic Region)

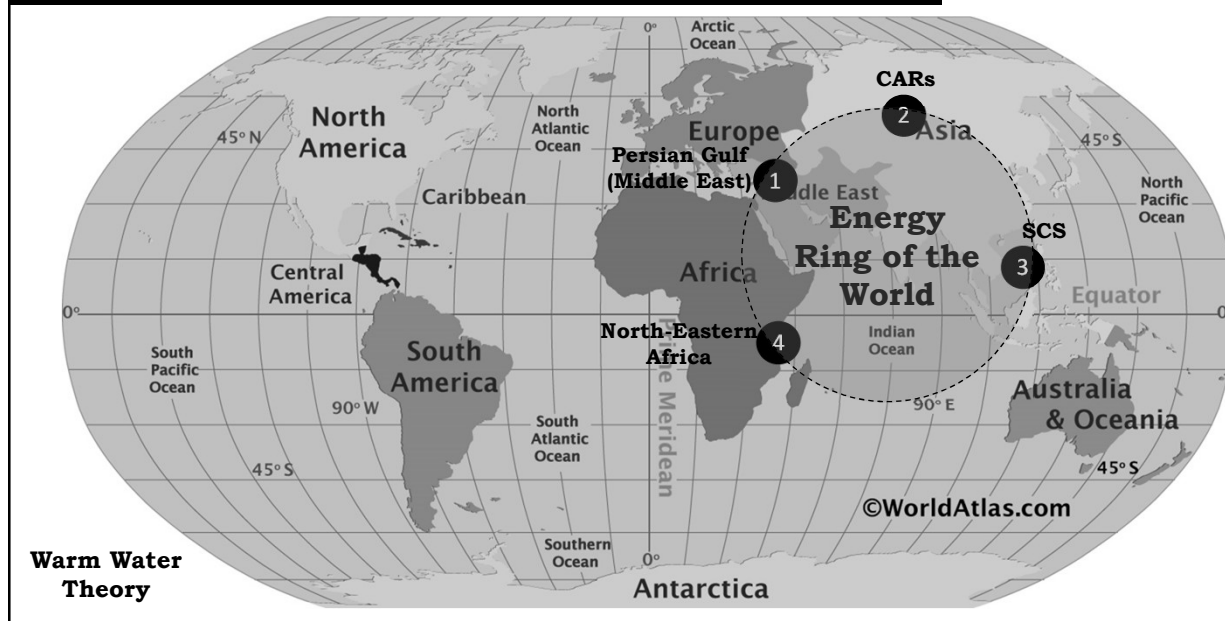
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Hotspots

- **Ukraine-Russia**
- **NATO**
- **EU Disintegration**
- **Exits**
- **Refugee Crisis**
- **Turkey**
- **France**
- **Germany**
- **B3W**
- **Etc.**

Energy Ring of the World (Live Energy Centers)





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Topic: China in Focus

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Chinese Foreign Policy

Discussion Building Theme Moral Principles & Slogans

**Period of
Strategic
Opportunity**

**Harmonious
World**

**Peaceful Rise
and
Development**

2002 – Next 20
Years, Relations
with USA and
Other Nations
will remain
stable to ensure
' **BUILDING OF
A WELL OFF
SOCIETY** '

Hu Jintao, 2005
at 60th General
Assembly
Session

Campaign to
Reassure world
that Chinese
Development
will not be
"Zero Sum
Game"

President Xi's Foreign
Policy Doctrine
Chinese Dragon

**BRI
(Economic Belts x
06)**

**String of Pearls
(Ports x 11
Strategic)**

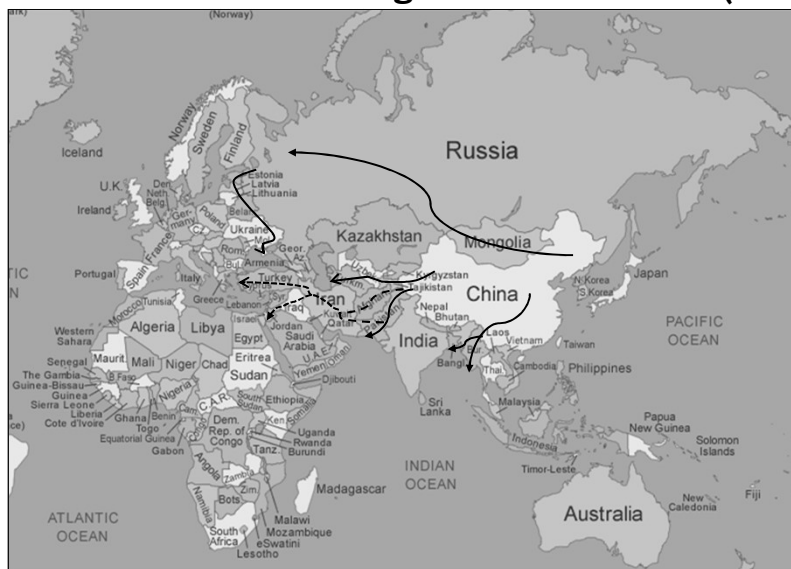
Chinese Dragon ~ String of Pearls

11 x Strategic Ports (Pearls)



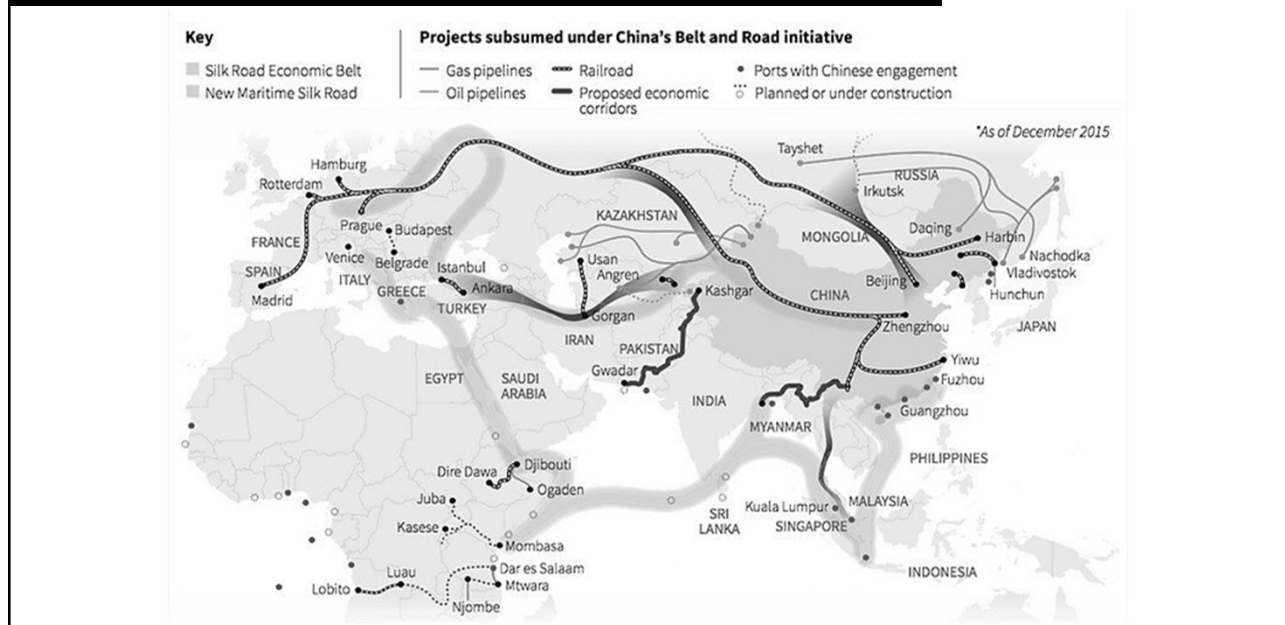
Chinese Dragon ~ Belt Road Initiative (BRI)

06 x Strategic Economic Belts (Road Connectivity)

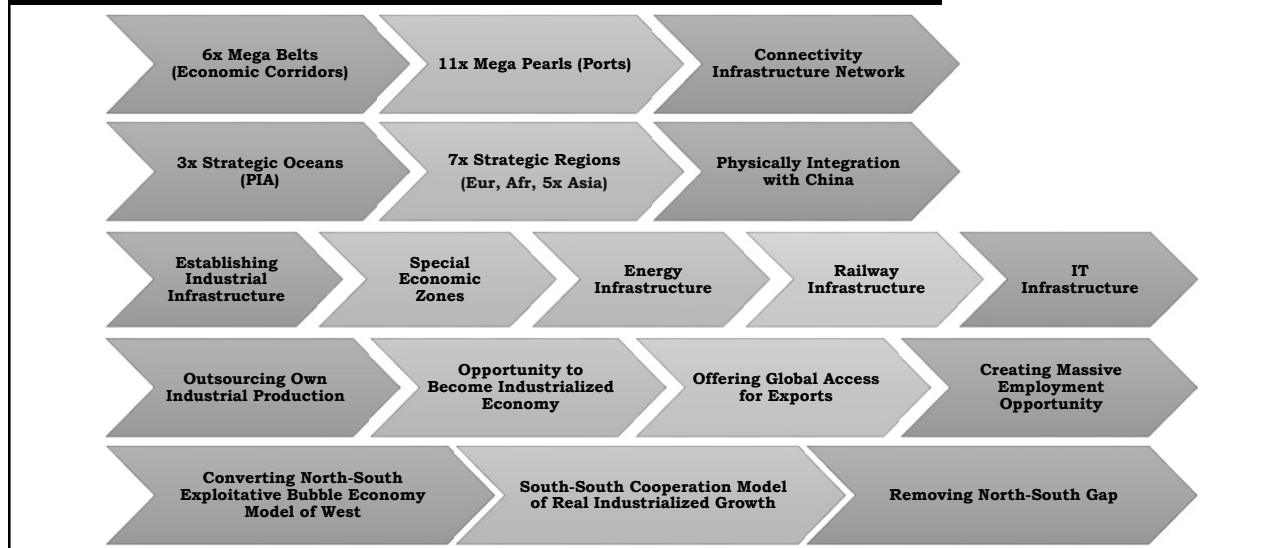


1. China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)
2. China-Myanmar-Bangladesh Economic Corridor
3. China-Mongolia-Russia Economic Corridor
4. TIT (Tajikistan-Uzbekistan-Turkmenistan) Economic Corridor
5. Eurasian Economic Corridor (Russia-Estonia-Latvia-Belarus-Ukraine Economic Corridor)
6. Middle Eastern Economic Corridor (Pakistan/Afghanistan to Iran to Iraq-Jordan/Turkey)

Chinese BRI in Totality



Grand Strategy behind BRI (Chinese Dragon)



Revival of Chinese Historical Maritime Silk Routes

Underlying Objective

Overt

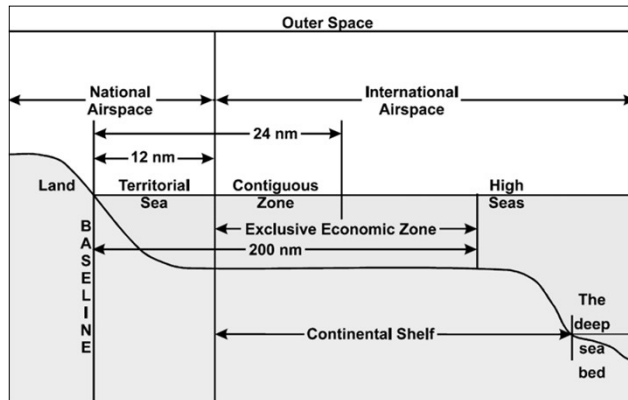
- Economic Connectivity Infrastructure

Covert

- Dominating Warm Waters
- Dominating World Connectivity
- Dominating Energy Ring
- Dominating Global Economy
- Changing USA Dominated Global Order

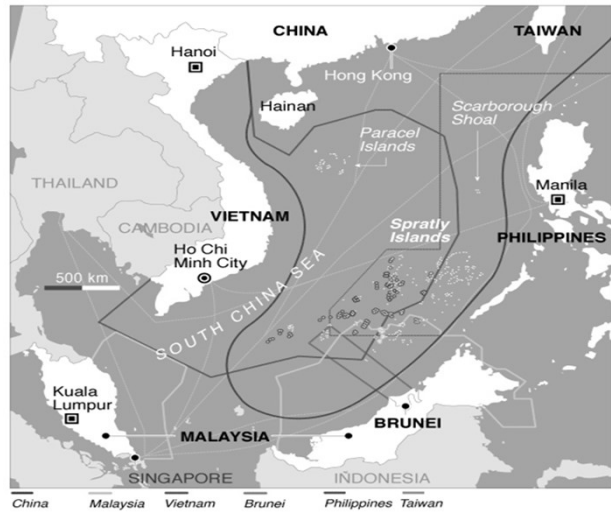
De-Coding South China Sea Dispute

**International Law on Seas
United Nation Convention on Law of Sea
(UNCLOS-III)**

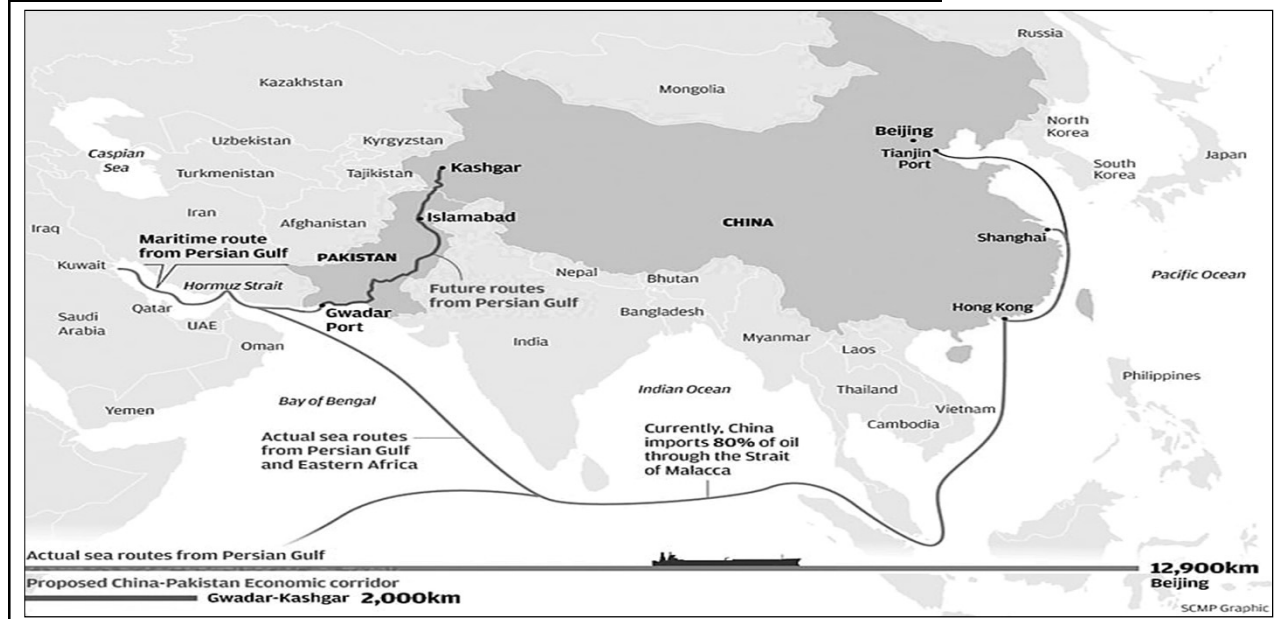


**China can't rely on it. Need to diversify connectivity and accessibility.
THE THESIS OF GWADAR (CPEC).**

**South China Sea Dispute
Chinese Nine Dashed Line**



Case of Gwadar (Pak-China Relations)

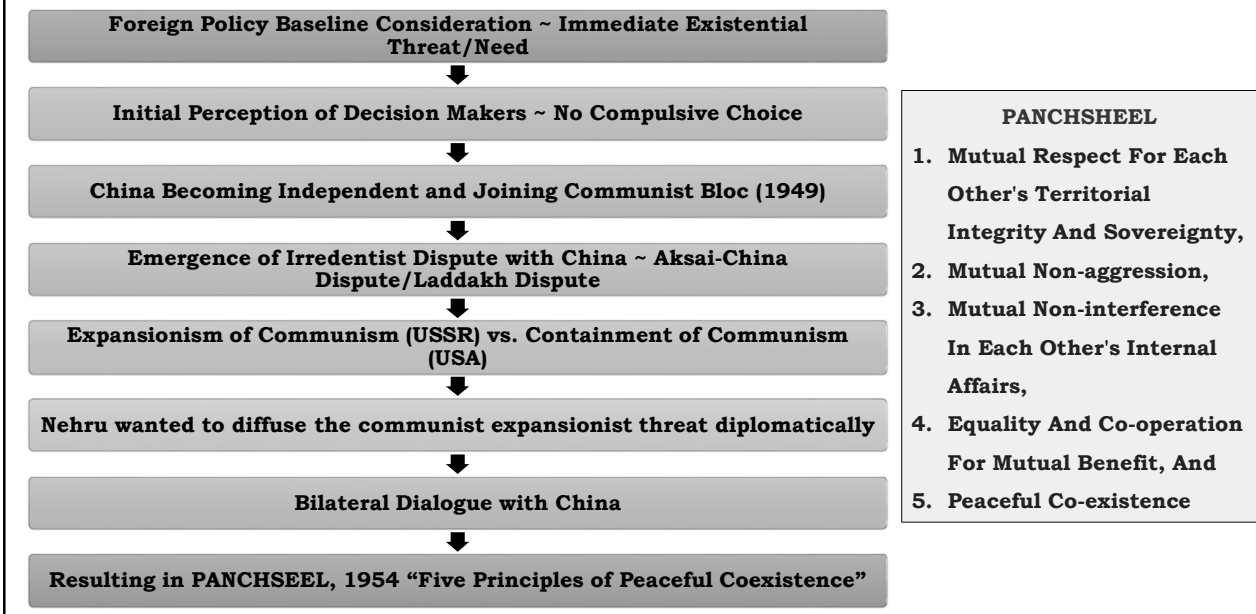


Topic: India in Focus

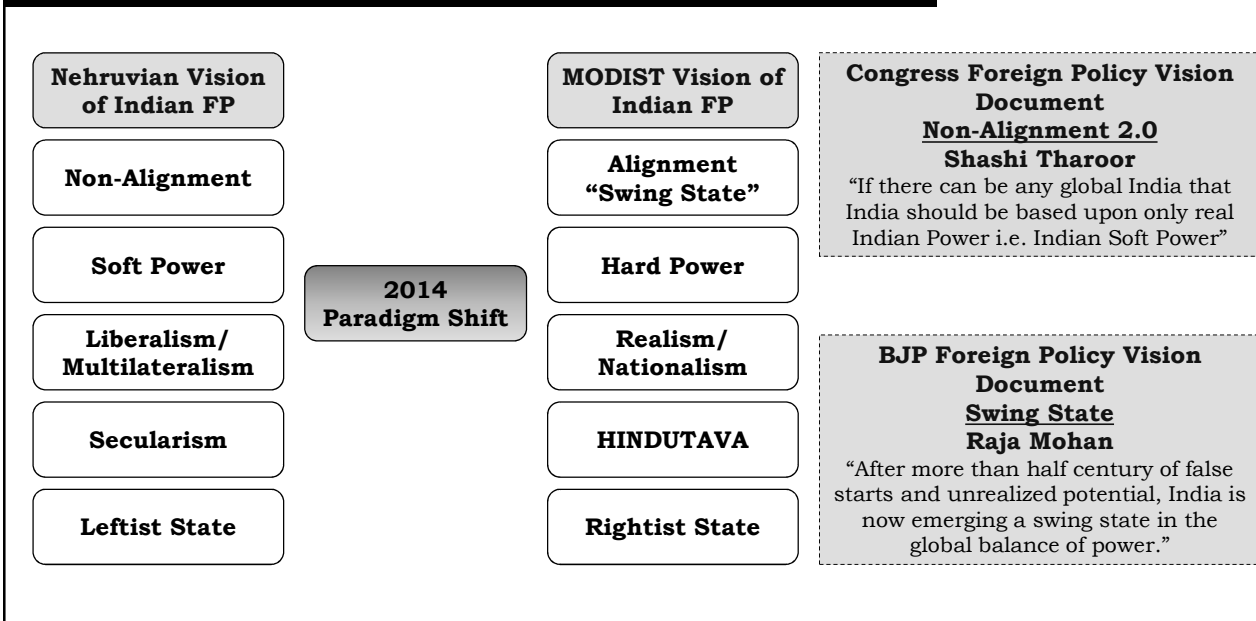
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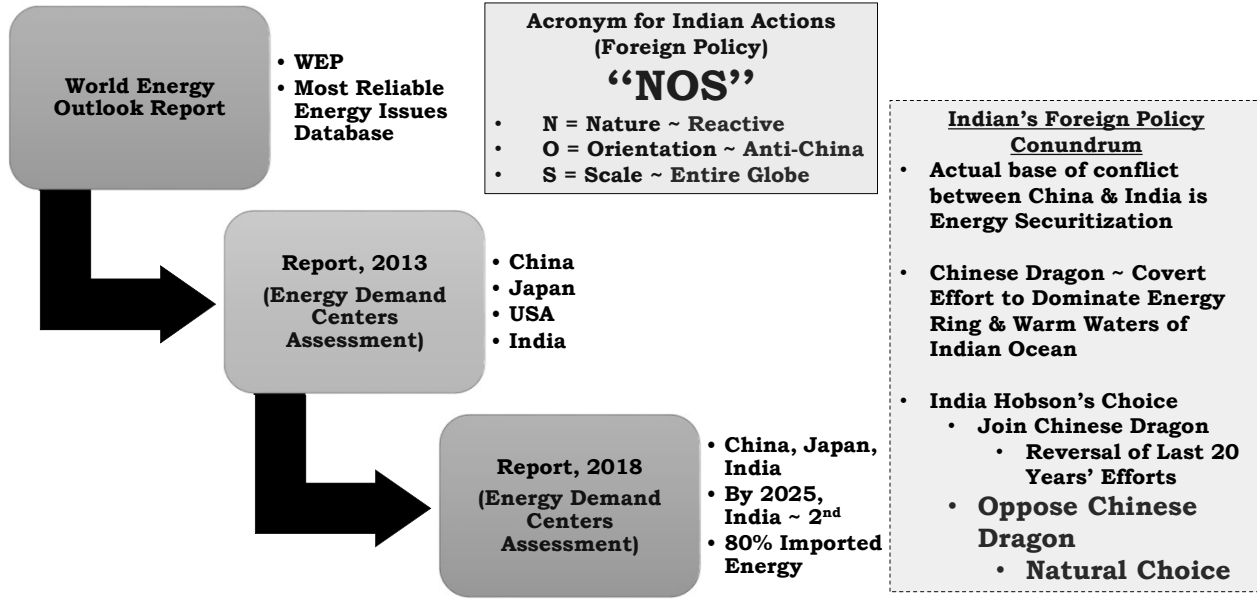
Indian Initial Foreign Policy Paradox



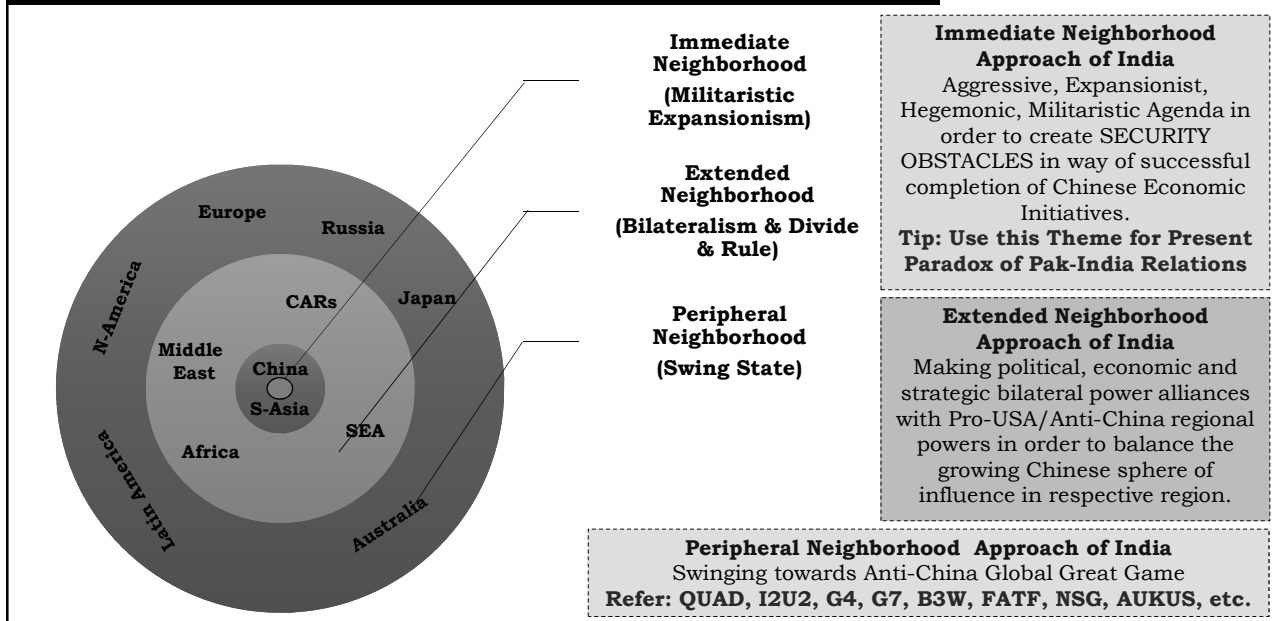
Resultant Visions of Indian Foreign Policy



Energy Security w.r.t. China



Concentric Sphere of Influence Model of FP



Pak-India Relations (Mapping Key Contours)

Colonial Legacies (Burden of History)	Irredentism (Kashmir)	Hyper Nationalism (Religion)	Traditional & Non- Traditional Security Competition	Arms Race (Conventional & Nuclear)
Regional & Extra- Regional Intervention (Geo-Strategic Interests of Great Power)	Terrorism	Begger thy Neighbor Policy of India (MFN, FATF)	Energy Securitization Complexity of India	CPEC (Pak-China Strategic Partnership) vs. Indo-US Strategic Partnership
Kashmir Issue (Article 35-A & 370)	Expansionist Policies of India in Immediate Neighborhood	Lack of Conflict Resolution (Too Much Focus on Unilateralism)	Chabar vs. Gwadar	Populist Domestic Politics

Dispute Resolution Mechanism ~ Best Route??

Methodology:

- Identify different routes/ways in which both countries tried to resolve their conflicts.
- Figure out which route was result-oriented and which was not.
- Debate the relevance (prospects) of result-oriented route in prevailing environment.

Bilateral Route

- Nehru-Liaquat Pact (1950)
- Khawaja-Nehru Dialogue, 1952
- Sikander Mirza-Nehru, 1957
- Bhutto-Sawaran Dialogue, 1960
- Ayub-Indra Gandhi, 1966
- Bhutto-Indra Gandhi, 1973, 1975
- Zia-Rajiv Gandhi, 1988
- Composite Dialogue, 1998
- Lahore Declaration, 1999
- Agra Summit, 2001
- Ufa Summit, 2015

No Big Breakthrough

Multilateral Route

- UN resolutions on Kashmir
- SAARC on Regional Cooperation

No Big Breakthrough

3rd Party Mediation Route

- Seize Fire Agreement, 1949 (UN)
- Indus Water Treaty, 1960 (WB)
- Tashkent Declaration, 1966 (USSR)
- Rann of Kutch Arb. 1968 (UNSG)
- Simla Agreement, 1972 (USSR)
- Nuclear CBMs, 1998 (USA)
- Kargil De-escalation, 1999 (USA)
- Balakot De-escalation, 2019 (KSA)

Only productive route in historical
discourse.

But not workable in prevailing
situation.



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Thematic Understanding of Past-Present

Discussion Building Theme Foreign Policy in Transition

Historical Outlook (1947~2017)	Attempt for Paradigm Shift (2018~2022)
Riyadh-Washington Centric	Beijing Centric
Socio-Strategic Lens	Geo-Economic Lens
Nationalism	Multilateralism
Realism (Military/Hard Power Lens)	Liberalism (Economic/Soft Power Lens)
Isolation (Indian Propaganda)	Global Agenda Centric
Bandwagoner (Extra-regional Approach)	Balancer/Inter-dependency (Region Centric Approach)
Client State	Mediator State

Determinants, Contours & Phases

Determinants

- Security Concerns
- Geo-Political Location
- Kashmir Issue
- Economic Dependency
- Regional & Global Alliances
- Nuclear Program
- Domestic Politics
- Global Events
- Islamic Identity
- Diaspora & People-to-People Ties

Contours

- Quest for Security
- Survival as Independent State
- Troubled Relations with India
- Reliance on West
- Solidarity with Muslim World

Phases

- Formative Years (1947-1953)
- Alliances and Non-Alignment (1954-1970)
- 1971 and Realignment (1971-1977)
- Cold War and Soviet Invasion of Afghanistan (1979-1988)
- Post-Cold War Era and Nuclearization (1988-2001)
- Post-9/11 and the War on Terror (2001-present)
- Engaging with Regional Powers (Recent Years)

Analysis Theme
Build Suggestions on
Following Themes

Region Centric Approach

Balancing (Non-Alignment)

CPEC (Economic Lens)

Stability

Additional Topics

Time Dependent



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Topic: Peace-Making & Peace Building in South Asia ~ Analytical Perspective

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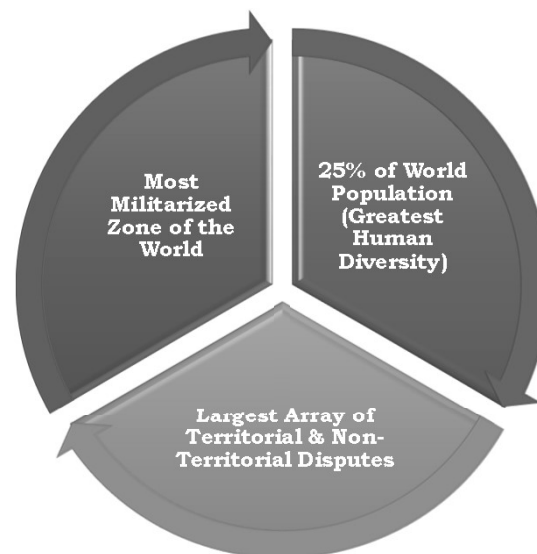


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Cause-Effect-Solution (Analytical Perspective)

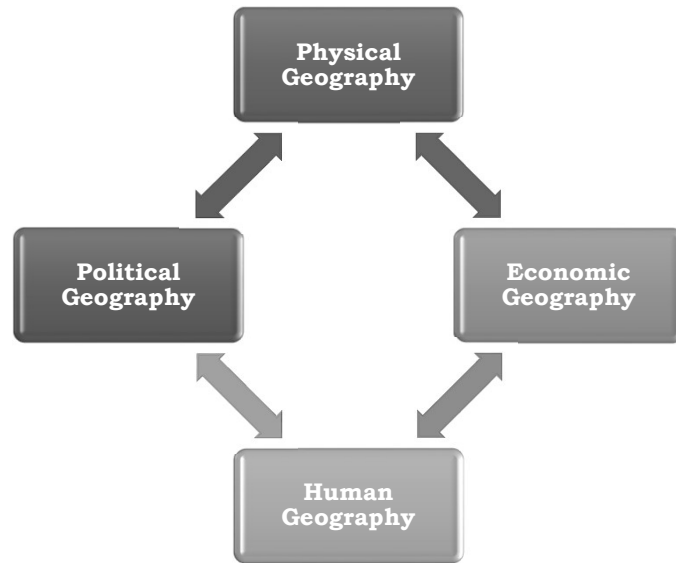
Discussion Building Theme Construct Arguments in Flow of Following Outline

1. **Corridor of Instability**
2. Multidimensional Complex Diversity
3. Burden of History
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5. Indian Expansionist Foreign Policy
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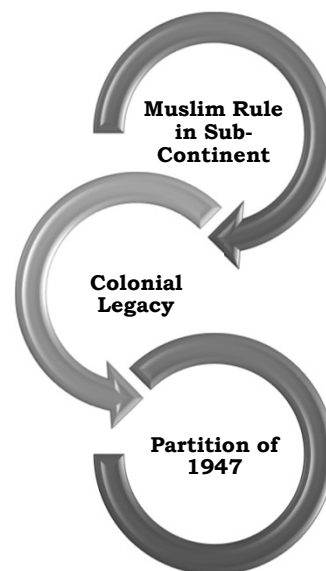


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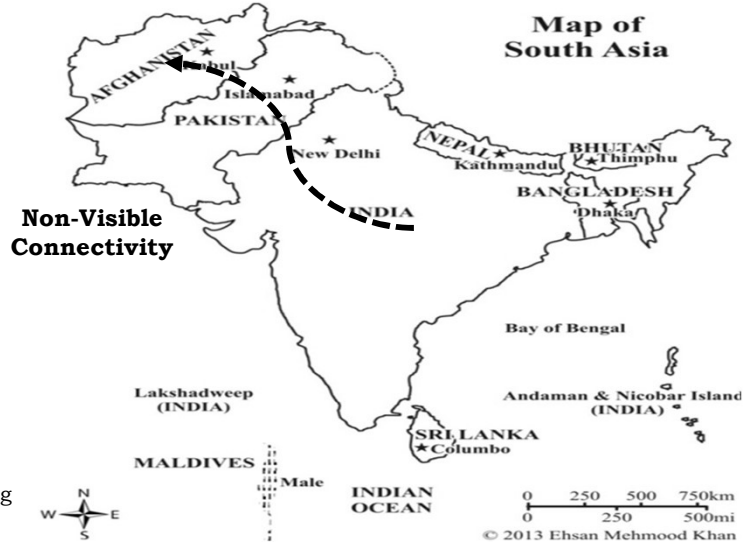
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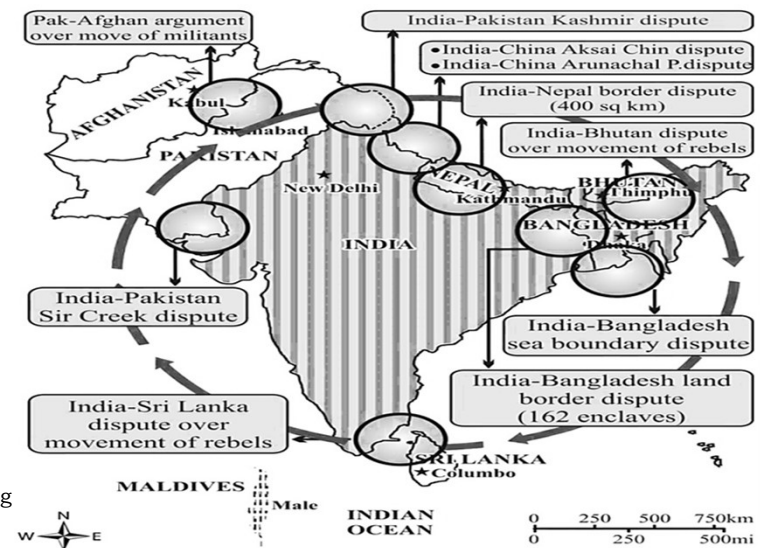
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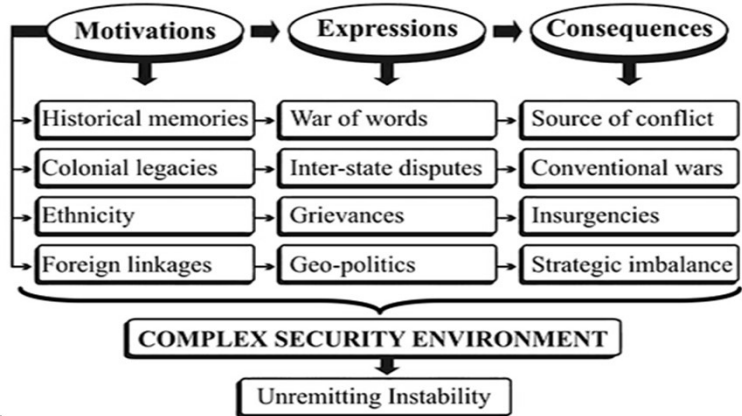
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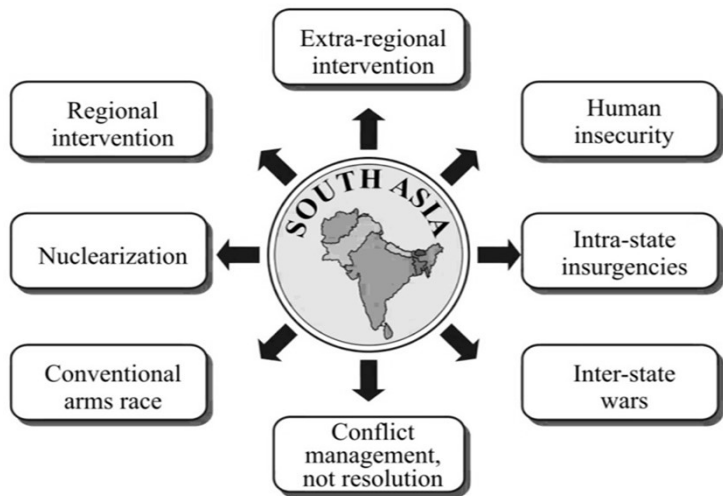
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Reforming and Revitalizing SAARC
South Asian Security Dialogue (SASD)
South Asian Nuclear Dialogue (SAND)
Conventional Arms Reduction Dialogue (CARD)
South Asian Parliament (SAP)
Confidence Building Measures (CBMs)
People to People Contact (PPC)
Multi-track Diplomacy (MTD)
Inter-Regional Trade (SAFTA)
South Asian Literacy Commission (SALC)
South Asian Free Media Association (SAFMA)
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Recommended Readings

- **Chapter 5 ~ International Relations (Part-II Book) by HA Gondal**

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USA Foreign Policy Analytical Overview

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**Discussion Building Theme
Balancing Dilemma**

Mindset Drivers	American Project	vs.	American Vulnerability
Leadership Approach	Hawkish	vs.	Skeptical
Orientation	Externalized	vs.	Internalized
Vision	Jacksonian Vision	vs.	Isolationism
	Jeffersonian Vision		
	Hamiltonian Vision		
	Wilsonian Vision		

Assess Foreign Policy Tools

- Stick Diplomacy
- Carrots Diplomacy

Exemplar Case Studies


← Israel-Palestine

← Iran Case

← China Trade War

← Uk-Russia War →

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Topic: Pak-Afghan Relations

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Pak-Afghan Relations ~ Key Contours

Historical Disputes

- Durand Line & The Pashtunistan Issue

Afghan Cold War Theatre

- Communism vs. Capitalism ~ Soviet Invasion, 1979
- Mujahedeen vs. Northern Alliance

Post-Soviet Conflict
(Mujahadin vs. Northern Alliance)

- Ideological Differences
- External Support
- Post-Soviet Vacuum

Pakistan Conundrum
(During~After Soviet Invasion)


- Pakistan as a Safe Haven
- Refugee Crisis
- Changing US-Pakistan Relations
- Impact on Regional Stability
- Soviet Withdrawal and Aftermath

Post 9/11

- Cross-Border Militancy, Safe Havens, Border Management & Fence Construction
- Accusations of Proxy Warfare & Spillover of Violence
- Refugee Crisis and Repatriation Challenges
- Peace and Reconciliation Efforts

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Analysis Technique
Strategic Need Analysis

Why Pakistan Needs Afghanistan?	Why Afghanistan Needs Pakistan?
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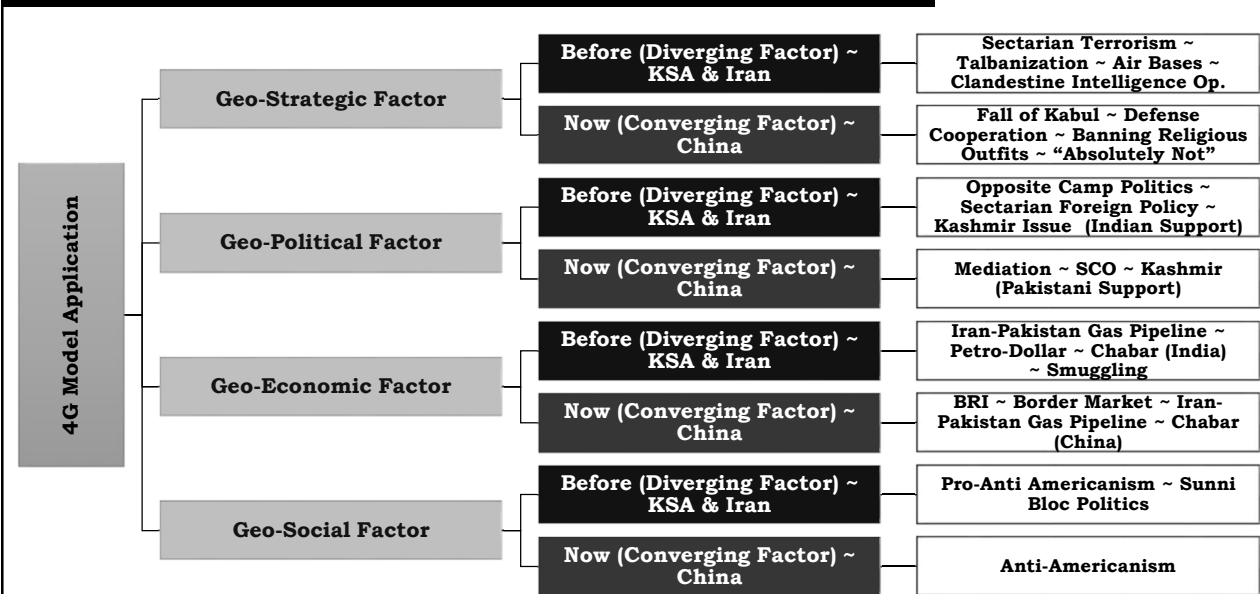
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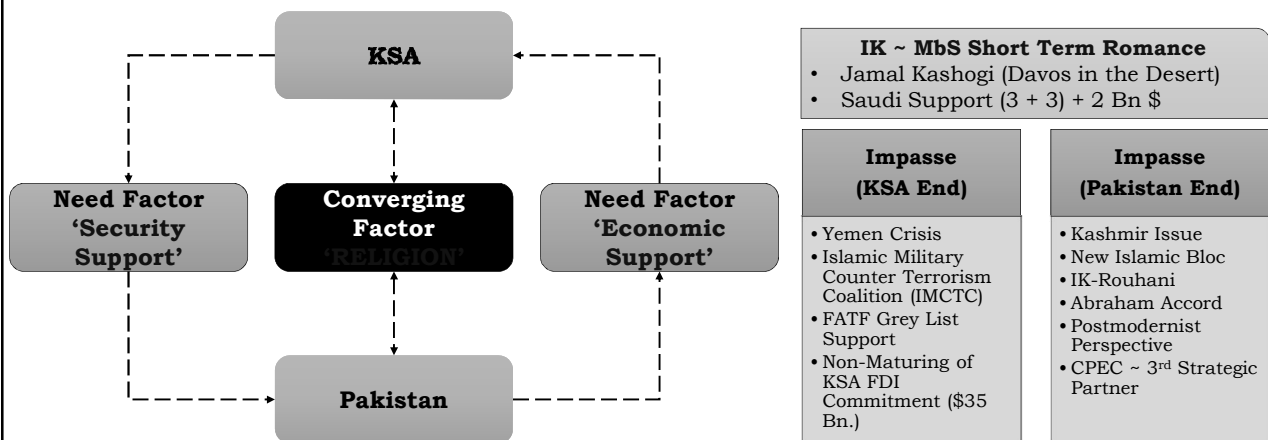
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Bilateral Two-Way Dependency complemented by identity politics.

Historical Feature:
 > KSA always there for economic support.
 > Pakistan always there for strategic support.

IK ~ MbS Short Term Romance
 • Jamal Kashogi (Davos in the Desert)
 • Saudi Support (3 + 3) + 2 Bn \$

Impasse (KSA End)

- Yemen Crisis
- Islamic Military Counter Terrorism Coalition (IMCTC)
- FATF Grey List Support
- Non-Maturing of KSA FDI Commitment (\$35 Bn.)

Impasse (Pakistan End)

- Kashmir Issue
- New Islamic Bloc
- IK-Rouhani
- Abraham Accord
- Postmodernist Perspective
- CPEC ~ 3rd Strategic Partner

Renewed Opportunity

- Saudi Vision 2030
- Normalization of Ties bw KSA & Iran

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Balancing KSA-Iran Post Ties' Normalization



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