



Q China-Iran Strategic partnership
 how will profit China. What
 are implications on Pakistan?

Answer to Introduction

"China will soon be the
 world's first largest
 economy."

(Fitch, S.P, Moody's)

China-Iran Strategic Partnership
 will more encourage China's economy.
 In fact, China will be profitable
 by this partnership. Further,
 Pakistan will also get positive
 opportunity to profit from China
 Iran partnership. Hence, China
 Iran Partnership is changing
 the shape of the region.

2. China-Iran Strategic Partnership:
 an Overview

"China-Iran partnership
 is the symbol of



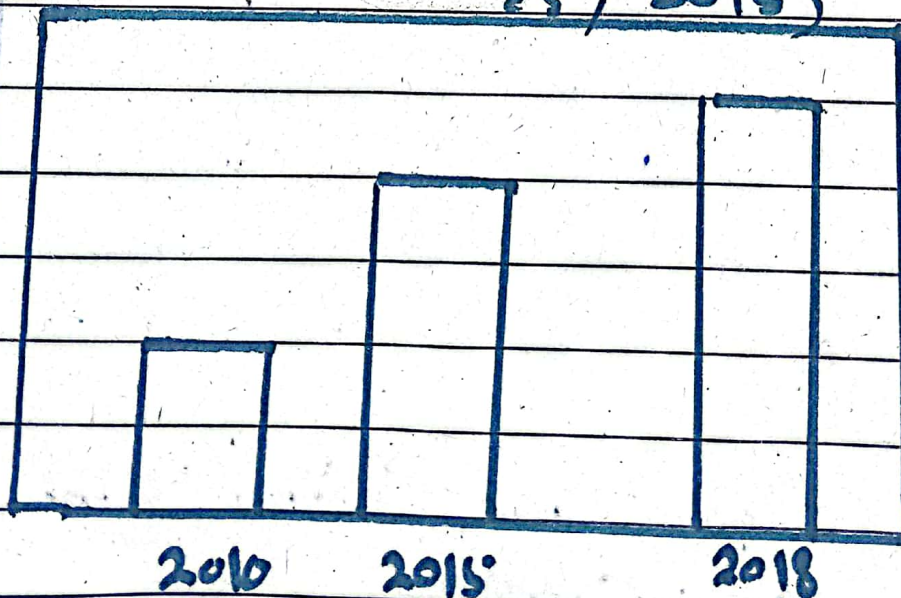
regional stability."

(- Faisal Bari)

China Iran partnership is dependency of both on certain agreement. In fact, both have increased their inter-dependency on economy and military.

"Since 2010, bilateral trade of China-Iran is recorded of \$10 to 20 billion."

(- China Bureau of Statistics, 2015)



(- China-Iran trade Relationship)



Therefore, both countries have increased dependency on each other.

3. Features of China-Iran Partnership

Following are features:

a) Energy and infrastructure deal
Energy and infrastructure deal is one of features of China-Iran Partnership. China has invested in Iran for oil company and for CPEC development.

"About \$300 billion are invested in oil companies and \$100 billion in infrastructure development."

(-Al Jazeera, 2022)

Hence, China has invested in energy and infrastructure projects.

b) Access to technology in Iran



Further, China has provided modern technology to Iran. In fact, China is strengthening internet connection in Iran.

"5-G internet access is provided to Iran."

(- Xi Jinping)

Thus, China has strengthened internet connection in Iran.

c) **Cyber Security: Strong medium**

Moreover, China is also supporting cyber security of Iran. In fact, strong cyber security will be bilateral favourable. According to a report, China will strengthen cyber security in Iran.

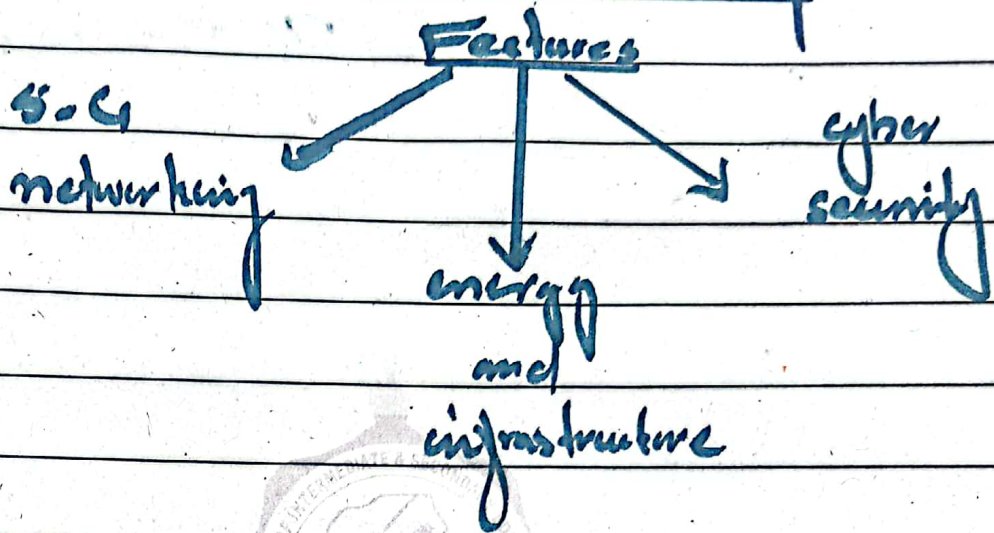
(- Technological

Assessment, Farid Biri 2022)



Therefore, China has signed the strong cyber security in Iran.

China Iran Partnership



4- How China will get profit from this deal?

Following are profits for China:

- a) Purchasing energy: fulfillment of energy requirements. China will purchase cheap energy from Iran. In fact, China requires maximum energy to run its industries.



"Iran will provide energy to China on the basis of discounts."

(- Al Jazeera/2021)

Hence, China will get maximum energy.

b) Safe access to Strait of Hormuz

Moreover, China needs safe route to reach international market. Resultantly, Iran will provide safe route to China.

"About one-third of trade done via

Strait of Hormuz."

(CNN - Global trade

2020)

Thus, China will get access to global markets.



e)

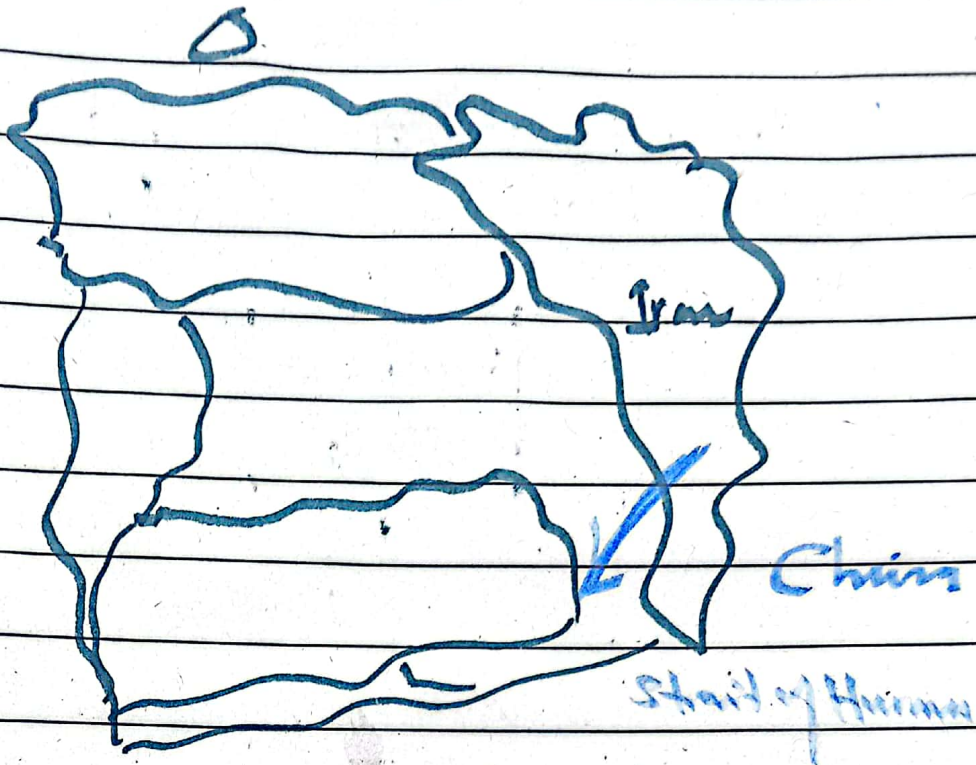


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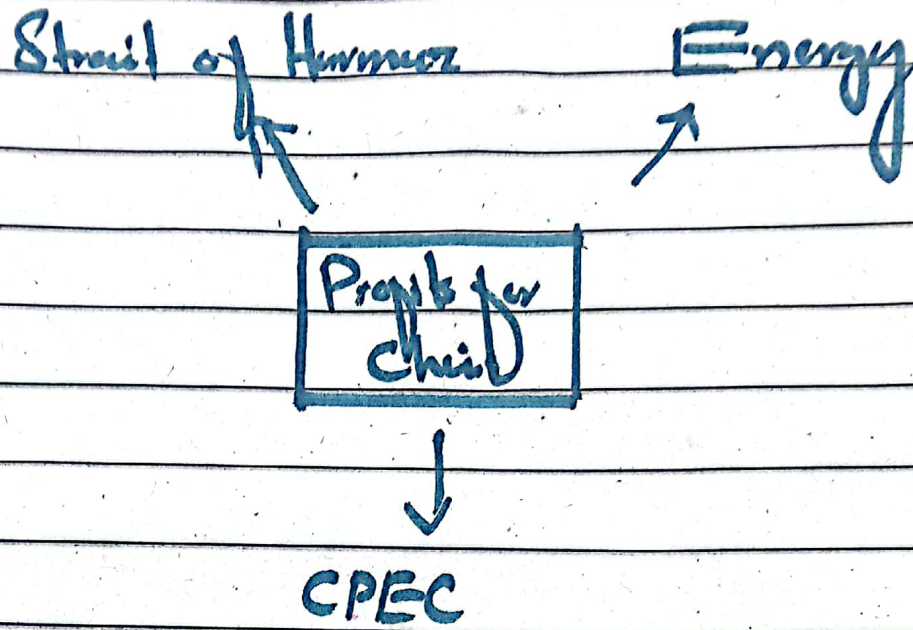
e) Extension of CPEC to Iran

Further, China will extend its OBOR project. In fact, China will link route to Iran for the faster trade.

"China is providing BCR - CPEC to Iran."

(M. Amnani 2022)

Hence, China will extend its CPEC.



Q- What are possible opportunities for Pakistan?

Following are possible opportunities:

a) Transit route between Iran and China

Pakistan will provide transit route between China and Iran. Consequently, Pakistan will collect revenue.

"Pakistan can generate millions of billions

revenue from
transit route"

↳ Economic Survey of
Pakistan, 2012-13

Therefore, Pakistan can earn
revenue generation.

b) Access to regional market

Pakistan will get
access to regional markets. In fact,
CPEC development will pave way
for Pakistan.

"Pakistan will soon
trade to the ME,
Turkey, and European
countries."

(- M. Amna Malik)

Hence, Pakistan will get access
to markets.

c) Pak-Iran insurgency will be
end

Moreover, Pakistan and Iran are facing border dispute. By this deal, Pak-Iran insurgency will be decreased.

✓ Pak-Iran border dispute is in favour of Iran - China Deal."

(- think tanks)

Therefore, Pakistan will get rid of insurgency from Iran side.

6- Conclusion

"China is becoming

a global leader."

(Fitch. S.P. Modys)

China-Iran Strategic

Partnership has reshaped region:

In fact, China will get profit from this deal. However, Pakistan will also get opportunity of growth. Hence, China-Iran deal is regional changer.