

# Topic- Emerging Threats to Pakistan's Internal Security

## OUTLINE

### 1 Introduction

Thesis Statement: Marred by conflicts and languishing in perils, Pakistan has been facing multiple threats to its internal security such as Baloch separatist movements. This has grave implications for social, political and economic health of the country. The situation warrants immediate steps to ensure a prosperous and secure future for the country.

### 2 What Are the Emerging Threats to Pakistan's Internal Security?

- 2.1) Emerging threats of Baloch separatist movements
- 2.2) Raising sectarian extremism
- 2.3) Border crossing terrorism
- 2.4) Climate change

### 3 Major Factors Responsible for Emerging Threats to Pakistan's Internal Security

- 3.1) Inequitable developmental opportunities between provinces leads to conflicts and separatist movements  
(Case in point: Baloch separatist movements - BLA)

3.2) Increased socio-economic widening creates a vacuum for evil to increase extremism and sectarianism

(Case in point: Tahrik-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP))

3.3) Security issues in Afghanistan - a major cause of cross border terrorism in Pakistan

(Case in point: Life loss of almost 1000 Pakistanis, including 300 security forces personals by TTP and other militant groups in 2022. - VOA news)

3.4) Use of fossil fuels throughout the world results in climate change - a non-traditional threat to Pakistan's internal security

(Case in point: Floods in Pakistan in 2022)

3.5) Political instability leads to economic instability in Pakistan

(Case in point: a comparison of before and after ousting Pakistan Tehreek-i-Insaf's government)

#### 4 Implications of Emerging Threats to Internal Security for Pakistan

4.1) Abject poverty and massive unemployment due to economic instability

(Case in point: Thirty six percent of poverty rate in Pakistan - World Bank 2022)

4.2) Security issues affect Foreign Direct Investment of the country.

(Case in point: Pakistan's FDI fell by 1.0 USD bn in

in 2022 "State Bank of Pakistan")

4.3) Simmering crime rate

(Case in point: Pakistan's crime rate index score of 42.51 in 2023 - Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad)

4.4) Rise in xenophobic sentiments

(Case in point: Punjab blaming Balochistan for the spread of terrorism)

How Emerging Threats to Pakistan's Internal Security Can Be Reduced?

5.1) Focus on community development programs

5.2) Rise voice for climate justice at international platforms

5.3) Providing security to foreign investors

5.4) Follow a long-term strategy for policy making

Conclusion