



**National Officers Academy**  
**Final Mock for Special CSS**  
**& Mock-6 for CSS-2024**  
**September 2023**  
**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE-III**  
**(PAKISTAN AFFAIRS)**

**TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS**

**PART-I(MCQS): MAXIMUM 30 MINUTES**

**PART-I (MCQS)**  
**PART-II**

**MAXIMUM MARKS = 20**  
**MAXIMUM MARKS = 80**

**NOTE:**

- i. **Part-II** is to be attempted on the separate **Answer Book**.
- ii. Attempt **ONLY FOUR** questions from **PART-II**. **ALL** questions carry **EQUAL** marks.
- iii. All the parts (if any) of each Question must be attempted at one place instead of at different places.
- iv. Write Q. No. in the Answer Book in accordance with Q. No. in the Q. Paper.
- v. No Page/Space be left blank between the answers. All the blank pages of Answer Book must be crossed.
- vi. Extra attempt of any question or any part of the question will not be considered.

**PART-II**

**Q.2** Basically educational in character, the Aligarh Movement was not devoid of political objectives. Discuss.

**Q.3** There is an "unbridgeable gulf between Hinduism and Islam and their followers existed together in the same land for hundreds of years like two streams which continue to un-parallel to each other indefinitely, without ever becoming one body of water". Elucidate.

**Q.4** The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) is a way for win-win cooperation that promotes common development and prosperity connecting the continents of Asia, Europe and Africa, connecting the vibrant East Asia economic circle at one end and developed European economic circle at the other, and encompassing countries with huge potential for economic development. Explain.

**Q.5** Write a comprehensive note on the growth of population in Pakistan and underscore its effects on the country's socio-economic climate.

**Q.6** Explore the causes of current economic meltdown in Pakistan. Suggest some measures to address the core issues of this situation.

**Q.7** If the present constitutional crisis is the manifestation of poor political governance of its vice versa? Discuss critically.

**Q.8** China is the first country to name an ambassador in Afghanistan post-takeover of 2021. Critically evaluate, if China aims to position itself as an influential actor in the region - a possible diplomatic flexing of muscles, especially when many Western countries are still hesitant to engage with Afghanistan or it is a sign for other nations to establish ties with Afghan government?

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***Best of Luck for Special CSS & CSS-2024***

Q:4

Answer: Introduction

"BRI is a global  
successful project of  
China."

(Alex Wakas)

The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) is a way for win-win cooperation that promotes common development and prosperity connecting the continents of the world. In fact, it is a successful economic circle among Asia, Europe and Africa, East Asia, and European countries. Thus, the BRI is an economic developmental bloc.

2- The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI):  
An overview

"The success of about  
26,000 projects at  
worth of \$4.2

billions is an  
economic prosperity."

(The Asian Development  
Bank, 2022)

The BRI is a China's  
mega project to connect the world.  
In fact, a comprehensive strategy of  
China has connected Asia with other  
continents. This is an evidence that  
BRI is a global project.

3- The BRI economic connection in Asia  
Following are  
evidences:

a) CPEC: The China-Pakistan Economic  
Corridor and Iran

CPEC as a flagship  
project of BRI has connected Iran  
with Pakistan and China. It has  
led to economic development.

"About 60pc of oil

from Iran can be  
export to China  
via BRI."

(China Bureau of  
Statistics, 2023)

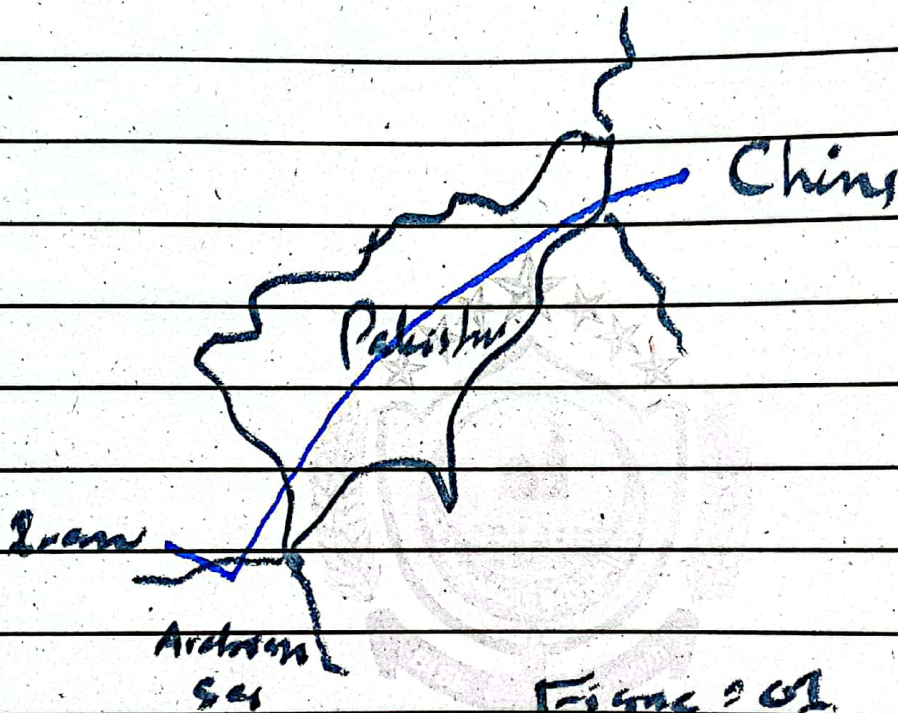


Figure 01

Hence, BRI is an economic circle.

### b) The CPEC and Afghanistan

Along with Iran, the BRI is also an opportunity for Afghanistan. As it is a landlocked country, BRI can lead to economic prosperity to it.

"CPEC should be  
 extended to Afghanistan  
 to bring economic  
 prosperity."  
 (Xi Jinping)

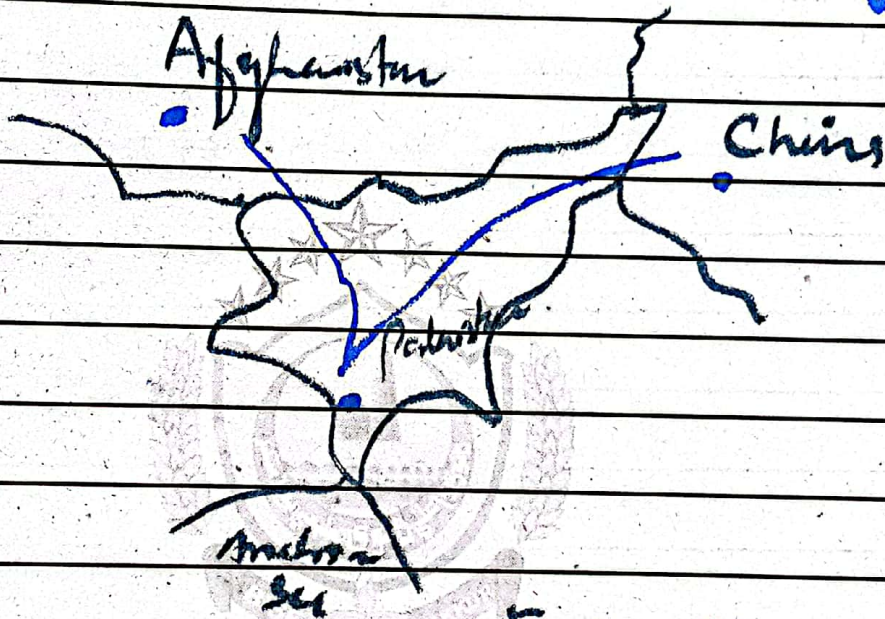


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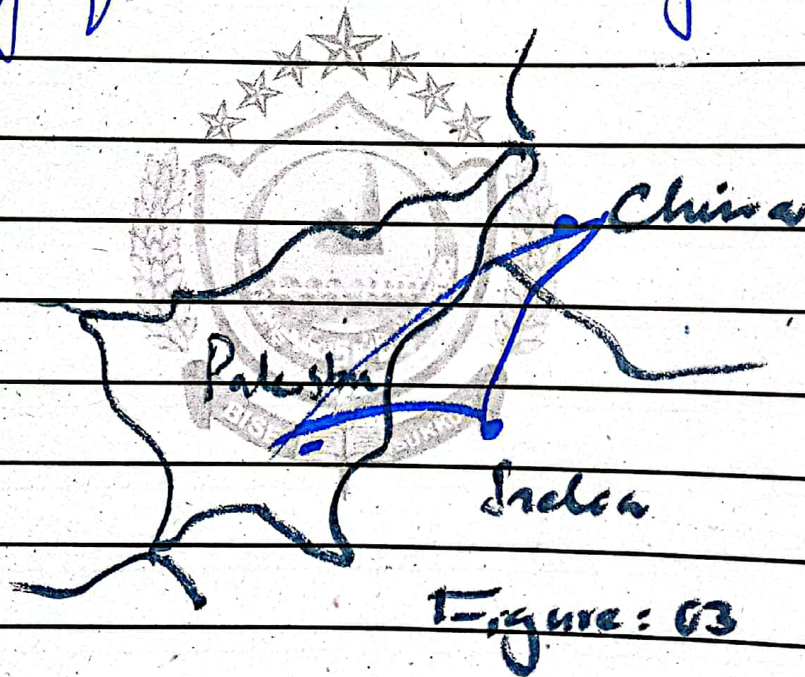
This also advocates that BRI is a  
 successful project.

### c) The CPEC and India

Moreover, it is also  
 an opportunity for India. In fact,  
 BRI - CPEC can enhance India's  
 economic growth.

"In fiscal year 2022-2023,  
bilateral trade between  
China and India  
is at worth of  
13.31 pc."  
(The Economist, 2023)

However, India should approach this opportunity for faster economic growth.



4- BRI: the leg in Europe and Africa  
Moreover, BRI also  
connects Europe and Africa. Countries  
are more readily shifting towards  
BRI.

"About one-third  
trade of Europe is  
linked with BRI."  
(The Economist, 2022)

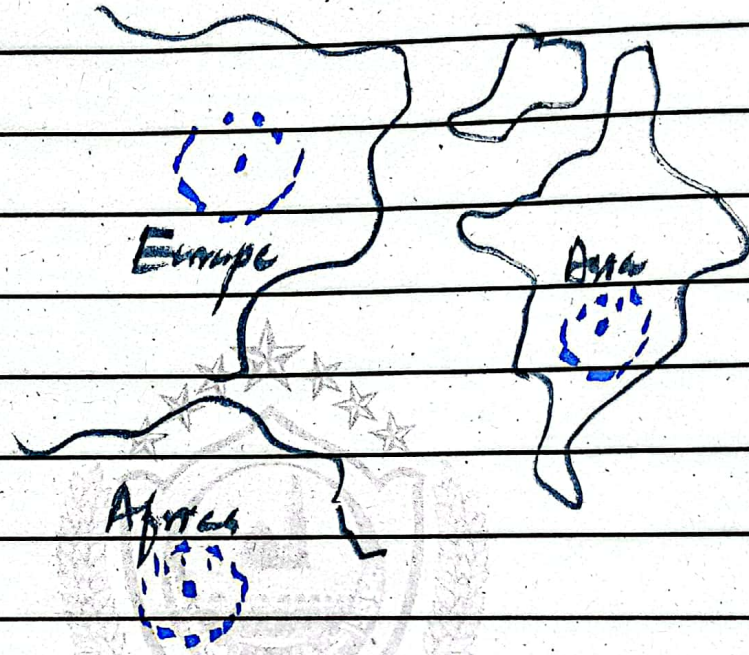


Figure: 04

Thus, the BRI has also roots  
in Europe.

Moreover,

'Egypt and Ethiopia  
are also relying  
on BRI - project  
to make Suez  
pipe strong.'

(The Relief Web)

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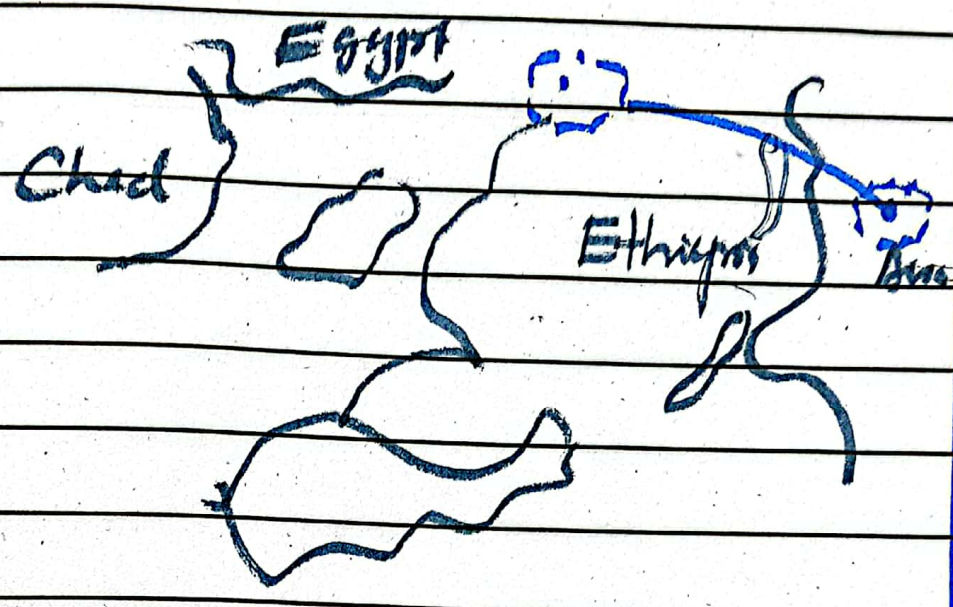


Figure: 05

Therefore, BRI is a successful economic project.

### 5 - The CPEC and East Asia

Furthermore, the CPEC-BRI is growing in East Asia. China has connected the regions with BRI.

China has connected the whole Asia at a single platform.

(Fitch, S.P, Moody's)



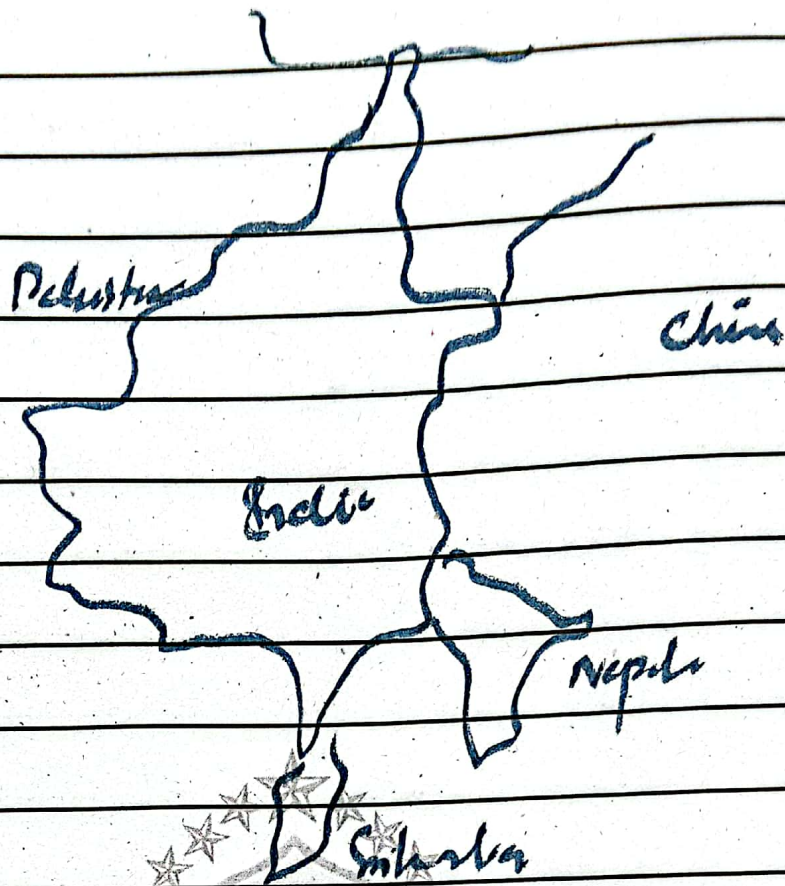


Figure 206

This is a proven fact that the BRI is an economic successful project.

### 6- Conclusion

"BRI is a BOT model that facilitates the world connectivity."

(Alex Wales)

The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) is a way for win-win

cooperation. It promotes common development and prosperity as a connector of economic circle. Resultantly, it connects the continents of the world. This shows that BRI is a successful economic project.