

What is meant by 'Proxy wars'
Are there any extrinsic factor
at play in the internal security
situation in Pakistan?

→ Introduction

→ Decoding the term "Proxy war":

→ The Confrontation between two great powers by the use of substitute actors such as to avoid direct confrontation.

e.g: It was common in Cold war since US and Soviet Union are nuclear armed superpowers.

Pakistan's internal security is challenged by India, West, Israel, Afghanistan through lethal proxies by exploiting non-state actors within Pakistan. Due to the changing geopolitical situation proxy wars against Pakistan enhanced.

→ External Factors and their objectives in waging proxy war to threaten Pakistan's Internal security

a) Indian Objective

- Historic rivalry
- Force Pakistan to accept India's hegemony
- Control over Jammu and Kashmir
- Contain China and make hurdles in CPEC
- Get free access to Central Asia
- Dismember the Sino-Pak bond
- Isolate Pakistan
- Declare Pakistan a terrorist state
- To stop western support for Pakistan

• USA's Interest

- The new cold war against China
- US presence in the region
- Contain Chinese rising control
- Chose India as regional power

• Israel's Interest

- Ally of India
- The threat of Nuclear state after Iran

→ Non-state actors used by External Powers to create internal security threat for Pakistan:

a) Ethnic

- BLA

- Pashtoon Tahafuz Movement

b) Sectarian

- TTP

- IS/Daesh

→ Several Events Challenging Internal security of Pakistan

- Attack on Gawadar
- Attack on Dasu Dam project
- Funding to create Anarchy
- Bomb blast in Peshawar
- Jaranwala Incident

→ Steps to neutralize proxy wars in Pakistan

- Dealing with insurgent groups strictly
- Removing inter-provincial disharmony

→ Conclusion :-