

Write note on 9/11 Foreign Policy of Pakistan. What role do you foresee for Pakistan in regional and global Politics?

## 1: Introduction:

September 2001, Osama bin Laden led Al-Qaeda attacked World Trade Centre and Pentagon in U.S.A, resulting hundreds of casualties. This terrorist activity effected not only Afghanistan, U.S.A but also Pakistan and its foreign policy also. Pakistan Foreign policy changed after 9/11. Foreign policy was inclined towards U.S.A and withdraw the support of Afghan Taliban. This incident changed the whole political atmosphere of the region. Pakistan played a facilitator for reconciliation among U.S.A and Taliban, provided its land

for drone attacks and supply routes to NATO. In Doha Agreement there was Pakistan as facilitator. 9/11 incident changed the whole geo-strategic situation of the region.

## 2: What is 9/11?

Al-Qaeda was established by Egyptian scholar Imam Shaafi in 1970s. Osama bin Laden joined it in 1980. This non-state actor rooted in Afghanistan. In September 2001, Osama Bin Laden led non-state actor Al-Qaeda crashed planes in world trade centres and Pentagon, resulting many casualties of American Nationals. This incident was condemned by almost all of states of world.



### 3: Foreign Policy of Pakistan:

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"Foreign Policy refers to a policy which a state forms to create relations with other countries and to fulfill its national interests within the other country."

Every country forms its foreign Policy according to the constitution and its national interest. In Pakistan's Constitution, the articles 29-40 are all policy principles. And our constitution tells us that how to form foreign Policy in **Article - 40**.

The size, population, media perception, economic growth and geography are the main determinants of a foreign policy.

## 4: Pakistan's Foreign Policy after 9/11:

Pakistan's relations with U.S.A, Afghanistan and India changed after 9/11. A country's foreign policy pursues its national interests.

### 4.1: Pak-Afghan Relations After 9/11:

After 9/11 pak-Afghan relations got worsen. Taliban-U.S tension also dragged Pakistan in its war. Afghanistan accused Pakistan for facilitating U.S.A and NATO invasion in Afghanistan. And cross border tension increased. The porous west border of Pakistan became more insecure and TTP extremism effected Pak's peace and sovereignty.

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### 4.2: Pak-U.S.A relations After 9/11:

Pakistan became U.S ally after

9/11 and provided supply routes for NATO and also provided Peshawar base for drone-attacks. Pak-U.S relations gone feasible till 2011

**Salalah Incident** Pakistan in response to that aggression cut-off the supply line to NATO. And U.S.A imposed arms embargo on Pakistan. USSR has already imposed arms embargo on Pakistan in 1979.

#### 4.3: Pak-Sino Relations After 9/11:

When Pakistan was isolated in 2012 by both the superpowers of the world then China came to Pakistan helped him and sold its arms which were mandatory for Pakistan to keep deterrence in the nuclear region.



## 5:- Role of Pakistan In Regional Politics:

Pakistan is neighboured by two other strong nuclear powers; India and Iran. So Pakistan have to keep cordial relations with them. Pakistan's

geography is responsible for the geo-strategic policy of the state.

Pakistan joined **SCO** and **SAARC** to prevent global isolation and refrainment of regional global politics. Pakistan has common interests with China in the form of CPEC.

## 6: Role of Pakistan In Global Politics:

Pakistan is important for its geographical position. It provides the access to China

towards warm waters of Indian ocean for trade with Europe and Gulf countries. Pakistan

was the Ally of America &

Pakistan's 20% exports are towards U.S.A

Pak's major importer is China for raw material

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was part of capitalist block.  
U.S and Pak relations is like a roller-coaster moving through nodes and inter-nodes. **Pak-India** tension is a fear for south asia because both are nuclear power fighting for **Kashmir** Pakistan's relations with **Russia** are getting cordial because there interests are aligning. Pakistan has to establish and stabilise it relations with emerging power China and established super power U.S.A.

## 7. Conclusion:

The Foreign Policy of Pakistan is most effected by 9/11 incident. It played crucial role for **pak-afghan** and **Pak-U.S** relations. Pakistan is pursuing its

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economic interest so therefore it  
became the part of CPEC, SCO and  
also wants to join BRICS. In  
global world Pakistan want co-ordial  
relation with gulf-countries and  
also with U.S, but Pakistan  
has to learn to balance the  
relations with China and U.S.A  
for its better economic-centred  
foreign policy.

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