



Pakistan in international relations: Challenges and solutions

Outline

1. Introduction

Thesis statement: Pakistan in international relations faces several challenges, which need rational solutions. US-Sino trade war, Indian hegemony, and alliances and anti-alliances etc are few among evidences. However, some rational steps will balance Pakistan's position in international relations.

2. A glance at international relations

3. Challenges of international relations to Pakistan

- a) US-Sino trade war
- b) Indian hegemony in geo-politics
- c) Regional alliances and anti-alliances
- d) BRI versus IMEC
- e) Historic Israel-Palestine conflict
- f) Ongoing Russia-Ukraine war
- g) G-20 diplomacy and ~~violation~~ of Kashmir issue
- h) US proximity in the South Asian region
- i) **Global** Anti-terrorism ~~global~~ co-operation

4- Proactive solutions to maintain Pakistan's position in international relations

- a) Enhance regional co-operation and connectivity
- b) Foster trade relations with neighbouring countries
- c) Diplomatic negotiation with Afghanistan
- d) Pursue policy to improve relations with India
- e) Focus on Pak-Iran energy co-operation
- f) Balance alignment between the US and China
- g) Regional and global co-operation on anti-terrorism
- h) Balance foreign policy to pursue national interests

5- Conclusion

Q: US-Sino trade war

Among international challenges, US-Sino trade war is on the top of the list. Ongoing US-Sino economic competition poses a great challenge to Pakistan. No doubt, Pakistan has strong relations with both, the US and China since its creation. Pakistan has remained a long ally of the US in "War on Terror". Not only that, but Pak-China friendship is rooted in geo-politics. (The News, 2023). This fact highlights that US-Sino trade war poses a great challenge to Pakistan in the international relations.