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Challenges faced by Pakistan

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and

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- (i) Political instability
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### → Possible solutions to make Pakistan prosperous:

- (i) Achieve Political Stability
- (ii) Export led economy
- (iii) Address energy issues
- (iv) Eradicate Terrorism
- (v) Policy to tackle Climate Challenges
- (vi) Promote tolerance and religious harmony.

### → Conclusion.

## Essay

Pakistan is a naturally resourceful country having great diversity full of beautiful landscapes in its northern side and Agriculture based country and industry also. It is heartbreaking to write country like Pakistan is struggling with grave problems of Political instability, economic challenges, energy crisis, Terrorism, effect of climate change and sectarianism. But despite all the challenges there is a hope that Pakistan can thrive and get rid of challenges it is facing at the moment by achieving political stability, converting its consumption based economy in Export-led economy, Addressing energy grievances, Eradicating terrorism, Robust Policy to deal with disastrous impacts of harsh climate and by ensuring tolerance and religious harmony.

Political instability is grave problem Pakistan is facing, no Prime Minister is able to complete his five year term owing to this no policy can be executed and Government are not able to take harsh decisions which are essential for country's revival. Many politicians and senior journalist accuses Military of instability.

meddling by agencies in politics has made it difficult for politicians to survive. Undoubtedly, Political instability is mother of all issues as it impedes country's progress and gives birth to new issues.

Moreover, Pakistan's economic conditions are getting worsened. It has nearly defaulted in previous Government by PDM but got deal with IMF and skipped default. To add, debt is increasing and rupee is losing value at faster pace. Islamabad is importing more than its exporting which made it a consumption based economy.

Additionally, Country is struggling due to deal after deal with IMF and getting trapped day by day. Furthermore, It is obvious talk for Government to increase Country's export because electricity tariff is too high that makes Pakistan Non-competitive globally. Thus, Its economical issues are too complex.

Further, Energy Crisis has impacted country negatively. Firstly, Islamabad produces expensive energy from fossil fuel. Secondly, Its transmission is very old and expired major chunk of power is lost as it is difficult to transmit. Thirdly, It is a common practice in

most part of the country that people do not pay bills. Consequently, all these factors contribute to energy crisis in country. Furthermore, Pakistan is facing terrorism mainly in its Balochistan province. Militant groups and extremists are causing terrorism in country which led to law and order situations impeding economic growth, as it halts FDI (Foreign direct investments) and tourism which can be of great support for economy. Additionally, climate change has damaged country so hard, with floods and mass displacement, By the end of August 2022, floods brought by continuously eight weeks of heavy rainfall which costed lives of 1700 people affected more than 33 million residents and destroyed 2200 miles of roads. Moreover, experts have warned that situation can get even worse in near future, Globally Pakistan lands in top-10 countries affected severely by climate change. Climate change is existential threat for Pakistan without a doubt. Lastly, Religious extremism has given birth to sectarianism that causes social unrest and violence. To illustrate, in December 2021, A Sri Lankan factory worker was lynched by locals.

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In Sialkot, Punjab over blasphemy - accusations. Sectarianism and intolerance has become common between Muslims with another Muslim or hatred of non-Muslim. Another case study is the killing of Salman Taseer - former Governor Punjab by his own guard. Salman supported Bibi Asia over false accusation of blasphemy by some people, then his guard heard a speech in Masjid which encouraged him to kill Mr. Salman and that he did. Indeed, situation is very alarming that people have lost control and possess zero tolerance in religious matters.

These highlighted bottlenecks in the way of Prosperity of Pakistan, later part will shed light on. How despite these obstacles Pakistan can thrive and address problems in the way of its Prosperity.

Starting with major concern, The Political Instability. To address this issue Politicians, Bureaucrats and Military should work in harmony and with sincerity to get Pakistan out of this problem. All stakeholders must make sure to conduct free and fair elections.

respecting public's mandate, Keeping personal interest aside, let the people choose their leader and Agencies should make sure that ~~the~~ elected PM should complete his five year term. Indeed, Political stability will solve many problems of country.

Additionally, Pakistan is suffering from worst economic problems to alleviate suffering, Government ought to take tough decisions which are better for country's progress in long term i.e. export led economy. Government ought to create ease of doing business environment and to bolster industry. Government should encourage industrialists to exports and reduce entry barriers into export business and let private sector to export and get dollars in country. No doubt, it is tough task and its not easily achievable but it is achievable and Pakistan must convert its economy into Export-led economy.

Moreover, Pakistan has to address its energy problems which is source for any industry and household to run. Owing to previous deals with IPPs Government is bound

to pay them which results in circular debt. Firstly, Islamabad has to renegotiate with IPPs and ~~and~~ reduce burden. Secondly, Pakistan produces most of its energy through fossil fuel which is expensive, it needs to adopt modern techniques of green, renewable energy to produce cheap energy. Thirdly, Pakistan has to rebuild its transmission lines to tackle energy loss and control inefficient transmission. By solving this grave problem, country can benefit greatly and reap economic benefits.

Neph Menace of terrorism has damaged country, businesses have lost confidence and foreign investors are ~~hesitant~~ <sup>reluctant</sup> to invest in a country where law and order situation prevails. To add, Many extremist groups like SSP, Lashkar-e-Jhangvi and more operate in Pakistan they promote violence and religious extremism. Country needs Military operation to eradicate these groups and then religious scholar should come and promote religious dialogue, peace, harmony and respect among different sects. By eradicating terrorism country will be able to observe peace



humanity and respect this will benefit local business and will have positive impact on Pakistan's Global image.

In addition to this, Climate change demands attention, it has severely damaged country's infrastructure and costed many lives. To address climate change, Government needs Robust policy to deal with climate change's disastrous implications. Islamabad needs to promote forestation ways to deal with heavy rain falls and proper strategies to prevent unconditional climate challenges this can save Pakistan from climate risk and will enable to grow.

Lastly, Sectarianism has been obstacle in the way of prosperity of Islamabad. To deal with this religious scholars needs to play their role and come on front part and promote tolerance, dialogue and harmony. This will promote peace and respect among communities and then country will prosper for sure.

Summing up, Pakistan is blessed with ingredients that are requisite for a country to succeed as its very rich in resources: Minerals,

Agriculture, tourism potential, industry and more, Government just need to manage it effectively. Indeed, Pakistan is facing serious problems like: Political instability, economic issues, energy crisis, terrorism, climate change and religious extremism.

Nevertheless, Pakistan can address all the problems and get on to the road of prosperity by achieving political stability, export led economy, efficient energy system, eradication of terrorism, ~~and~~ robust policy to address climate change and lastly, By promoting tolerance and religious harmony among different sects.