

Visit of Iranian President Ibrahim

Raisi and Concern for Pakistan

The visit of Iranian President Ibrahim Raisi has been ended today. This visit is the symbol of mutual trust, bilateral relations, and prosperity. It is the good will for both brotherly countries particularly in the economic realm. This visit holds great importance for both countries because of recent event of missile exchange. After the exchange of missile, both countries show great wisdom in order to prevent direct conflict with each other. Therefore, Raisi's visit persists great importance for bilateral relation. At the airport, he was welcomed by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, President Asif Zardari and Army Chief. In the discussion, they talked about trade where President Ibrahim Raisi said that he is not satisfied with the current level of bilateral trade. He aims to increase bilateral trade annually upto 10 Billion Dollar. He also visited Karachi and Lahore in the pretext of trade relations with the provinces. He not only discussed bilateral relations, but also gas pipeline which is very much important for both countries. Due to sanctions from the USA, Pakistan didnot start the work completely. There is no doubt that it is challenging for Pakistan to go against the United States. Thus, it is

necessary for Pakistan to play deftly and diplomatically. One single mistake can put Pakistan against the USA which will ultimately impact the country particularly ~~then~~ in the form of economy. As Pakistan is suffering from economical instability, it will be hard for the country to endure another crisis. On the other side, Iran is also in conflict with Israel which is closest ally with the USA. Consequently, ~~Iran~~ Iran is seeking for good relations with neighboring countries. But, there are some issues which need to be discussed such as the USA which is closest ally of Israel would never be happy with the bilateral relations of Pak-Iran. Whenever the USA refused for something, Pakistan did not go for it; For instance, Gas Pipeline. There are also some questions for the sovereignty of Pakistan because today the USA has stopped for Iran and in future she can say about China too. Many of people are of the opinion that Pakistan will comply the orders of the USA because its relation is like stick and carrot. Hopefully, Pakistan would meticulously think about every possible aspect and act diplomatically and deftly in dealing with the USA.