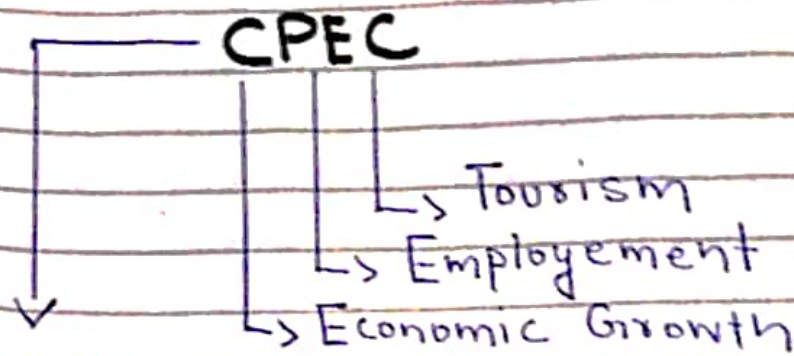


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What is CPEC and how it is the game changer for Pakistan?

Ans



Industrial development

### Introduction:

CPEC (China Pakistan Economic Corridor) is the flagship project of China, to connect China to other regions of the world. CPEC was launched in 2013 and work on that project was started on 2015. This project have ~~two~~<sup>three</sup> phases, first phase from 2015-20 of infrastructural development and second phase is of industrial development, the third phase is of development of Gawadar city like airports, bullet train and many other state of the art facilities in the third phase of this project for post

city.

## I) Importance of the CPEC to the BRI:

It will not be wrong to say that smooth functioning of BRI is impossible without CPEC. This project is like heart of BRI, if CPEC is successful, whole BRI project and its other economic corridors will be successful.

This is a 62 billion dollars project the amount may varies. In this project infrastructural development, industrial development and a range of other development works are included.

## A) South China Sea Conflict: AND DIVERTING THE ROUTE From South China Sea to CPEC :-

This is ongoing dispute between China, (Malaysia), Vietnam, Philippines and Indonesia on the territories of the South China Sea.

These mentioned countries claim their ownership on the territories of the South China Sea by which their ase military escalations at that region, and not a feasible route according to the Security Concerns for Chinese Ships.

### B) China and its requirement of Uninterrupted Supply of Oil and Gas:

China which are running industries day and night and do supply of goods to other regions of the world, they need a route which is free from obstacles and no interruption occurs in their route. So for that purpose they established CPEC, CPEC route is too much shorter than the traditional South China Sea route. This route takes two weeks for Chinese shipment to reach European markets.

## II) CPEC As game changer for Pakistan:

The CPEC will be the game changer for Pakistan in sense, that this project will bring prosperity in Pakistan. As of today, no focus has been given by Pakistan former governments on industrialization, and in this CPEC project there will be industries on CPEC route, which will provide employment opportunity to the Pakistani people, and on the other hand it will also play a role in the economic and social development of Pakistan and will promote tourism.

### A) Industrial development and employment to the people of Pakistan:-

Industrialization is one of the important aspect, which will change the future of Pakistan. Different types of industries will be established, which will not only

Promote Pakistan economic development, but also it will provide employment opportunity to the people of Pakistan to work in Pakistan and for Pakistan prosperity.

## Economic Growth and Tourism

It will promote economic growth in Pakistan and will play a positive role on stabilizing Pakistan currency and will control the inflation in the country. Another benefit of it will be that it will promote tourism as different countries of the world will be connected from BRI to CPEC, and people will visit from the foreign countries to see the scenic beauty of Pakistan.

## Conclusion :

CPEC is important for China, as well as Pakistan also. CPEC is important for China in a sense that this route is free of any obstacles for China as comparison.

To South China Sea route as disputes and military escalations at that area. For Pakistan it will no doubt to say, it is a game changer for Pakistan, it will make an industrial and economic revolution in Pakistan, and will promote economic and social development of the people of Pakistan.

### CRITICAL Analysis :

As world knows, that it will make Chinese economy stronger and especially India knows that it will change the future of Pakistan. India always do something to stop the progress of CPEC by sponsoring terrorism in Pakistan. Secondly America and India, which now are very close allies to counter CPEC and the containment of China, they last year at G20 summit in India a project IMEC (India Middle East & Europe Economic Corridor). The sole purpose of it is the containment of

CPEC and China, and  
India also not miss an opportunity  
to deteriorate Pakistan economically.

