

# PAKISTAN AND FUTURE OF

## KASHMIR CAUSE.

1) Introduction.

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a) Future cause of Kashmir will impact the water resource division between India and Pakistan.

b) Pakistan's relationship with India will be determined by Kashmir's future.

c) Kashmir's future will directly impact Pakistan's weapon production.

d) Pakistan's international image will be affected by Kashmir's future.

e) Pakistan's security concerns completely rely on ~~the~~ the disputed territory's future.

3) Pakistan's actions will influence the future of Kashmir cause.

a) Pakistan's foreign policy will impact the future of Kashmir cause.

b) Reiteration and emphasis on human rights violation by India in Kashmir.

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The issue of Kashmir has been on the table of United Nation Security Council since 1948. It remains a nuclear flashpoint between India and Pakistan. The future of Kashmir cause lies in the hands of Pakistan and its archrival, India. Future of Kashmir will impact the water resource distribution between India and Pakistan. Moreover, Kashmir's future will be determined by Indo-Pakistan relations. In addition, Pakistan's weapons ~~was~~ production is directly proportional to whatever happens between India and Pakistan regarding Kashmir. Furthermore, the international community will decide on Pakistan's image on the basis of its decisions taken vis-à-vis Kashmir. Not only this, On the other hand, Pakistan's actions will also decide and impact what lies ahead of Kashmir issue. Pakistan's foreign policy will definitely affect the future of Kashmir cause. Not only this, but Pakistan's continuous rhetorical

statements regarding human rights violations by India will shape the future of Kashmir. Cross border relations would influence the cause as well. Also, financial support for Kashmiris will play a significant role as well. Undoubtedly, future of Kashmir will impact Pakistan and Pakistan in the same way, Pakistan's actions will also impact the future of Kashmir. ~~cause~~

Future of Kashmir cause will affect the water resource division between both the countries. Water is the main source of survival for a state. First, if Pakistan and India fail to find a solution for the problem, water-related dispute between them will exacerbate. Second, if both the countries continue to project their military muscle for the cause of Kashmir, India will remain unstoppable in constructing dams on Kashmiri waters. According to a report published by Al-Jazeera, the issue of Kashmir and Indus

river is intertwined. It can only be solved through mutual understanding. Thus, water dispute between India and Pakistan will impact the future of Kashmir.

The future of disputed land will also determine Indo-Pakistan relations. A dispute territory is an area over which two states have competing claims. India and Pakistan have strained relations mainly due to the issue of Kashmir. However, in case of negotiations, both countries might enjoy connectivity, normalization of trade, and lower threat perception. Michael Kugelman writes for Wilson Centre that between 1948-65, trade between India and Pakistan blossomed due to less tensions caused by Kashmir issue. Therefore, the future of Kashmir will decide the nature of Indo-Pakistan relationship.

Not only this, but Pakistan's weapon production will be affected as well. For defending the motherland, a state goes for the development of weapons. Today, Pakistan and India are indulged in an arms race. Furthermore, Pakistan's strategic weapons might get lesser in case of reduced hostility between India and Pakistan. A report published by Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) stated mentioned that Pakistan has maintained its nuclear arsenals up to 170 warheads, Majorly due to its rising threat perception of India's intentions towards Kashmir. Thus, Kashmir's future will impact Pakistan's current weapon production.

Furthermore, Kashmir's future will shape Pakistan's international image. A state's international image shapes its public perception in other countries. First, Pakistan has supported freedom

movements in Kashmir. In return, this support has deteriorated Pakistan's image, by frequently being called a "terrorist" harbouring state. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has stated that New Delhi will not talk to Pakistan as it has been planting so-called terrorists in Indian side of Kashmir. Hence, Kashmir future of the cause will alter Pakistan's image internationally.

Future of Kashmir will also impact Pakistan's security issues. Security ensures freedom from all kinds of fear and threat. Recently, terrorism has been at rise in Pakistan due to India's backing for such groups. Secondly, in case of less hostilities and less conflicting interests regarding Kashmir, Pakistan's security ~~concerns~~ issue might get addressed. Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies says in a press release that Pakistan has concentrated a large number of armed personnels

in Balochistan due to India's funding for separatist groups. Consequently, Pakistan's security concerns will be affected by Kashmir's issue.

Undoubtedly, Kashmir cause has the potential to impact Pakistan in future in many ways. Pakistan has & been a staunch supporter of Kashmiri freedom. Therefore, Pakistan will also influence the future of Kashmir in the same way.

Pakistan's foreign policy & will build the foundation of Kashmir's future status. Foreign policy is a roadmap which guides a country in its relationship with other states. Keeping in view the dynamics of Pakistan's politics, every regime brings a different approach towards Kashmir. The dynamic nature of Pakistan's political fabric brings a variety of policies towards Kashmir. Dr. Sumaira Shafique has said that



General Pervez Musharraf's foreign policy goal was bolder than any other civilian leader. Kashmir's future will be shaped by Pakistan's actions.

Emphasis on human rights violations by India will definitely affect Kashmir's future. Human rights violations are illegal actions committed against human beings in a state. Pakistan's efforts to spread the message through social media will contribute to the future of Kashmir. Second, how many research papers Pakistan's well-reputed think-tanks produce will also impact the cause. Pakistan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs has reiterated its support for the oppressed people of Kashmir on its website frequently. Thus, highlighting the atrocities will impact the future cause.

Moreover, Cross border relations will affect the future of disputed land. Cross-border relations aid in accumulating support from the other side.

Pakistan's empathetic attitude towards Kashmiris will help in gaining their support. Additionally boosting ~~the~~ social ties will also play a significant role in creating positive results in future. United Nations Human Rights Council has shown ~~cross-border~~ that Pakistan supported cross-border encouragement and ~~by~~ ~~empathy~~ and protests in Kashmir in 2018. Indeed, cross-border relations will influence the future cause of Kashmir.

Economic support for Kashmiris by Pakistan will affect the cause in future. Economic support in contemporary world strengthens a state's ~~hold~~ influence in the international society. Following in the footsteps of India, Pakistan's efforts in facilitating the

Kashmiris economically will play a positive role. Moreover, developing infrastructure for them will keep the Kashmiris to Pakistan's side.

PM Shahbaz Sharif has stated that national and political leadership of the country should make contributions to free Kashmiris from Indian yoke. Pakistan's economic support will ~~be~~ ~~a~~ affect the cause.

Gaining support from international platform will play a crucial role for the future of Kashmiris. International platforms, in the age of globalization help in gaining support from like-minded nations. First, the ~~a~~ type of support Pakistan would be able to gather from its allies will be beneficial in shaping Kashmir's future. Pakistan's multi-pronged approach of attracting foreign direct investment and gaining empathy for Kashmiris simultaneously will play a vital role for Kashmiris.

future. At Economic Cooperation Organization's (Eco) meetings, Pakistan attracted Turkey and Iran to invest in Pakistan, while consolidating support for Kashmiris as well. Hence, consolidating support from international bodies will aid in shaping the future results.

The economic stability of Pakistan will influence the oppressed land ~~as~~ of oppressed people too. Economic stability ensures well-being of a nation's people. First, Pakistan is a victim of severe economic instability in the form of poverty, inflation, unemployment etc. Second, economic instability might weaken Pakistan's stance over Kashmir in future. In 2019, India abrogated Article 370 which provided a special status to Kashmir. Unfortunately, Pakistan could not do anything due to its weak economic muscle. Thus, economic stability plays a crucial role in

determining the future of Kashmir.

Consequently, Kashmir's future directly impacts Pakistan and Pakistan's action affects the future cause of Kashmir. The issue is a major irritant in Indo-Pak relations. Future of cause of Kashmir will affect the water issues between India and Pakistan. Furthermore, it will also impact Pakistan's international image. In addition, the issue will also shape Pakistan's security concerns. Not only this, but Pakistan's actions will also affect the disputed land's cause. Pakistan's cross-border relations will impact Kashmiris. Moreover, economic support for them by Pakistan shall play an important role in determining the future. Using international platforms for raising voice against Indian atrocities in Kashmir will decide what lies ahead. Further, Pakistan's economic power will shape the future of Kashmir. Unfortunately, Kashmir is a core of contention between India and Pakistan.

and Pakistan. To move the ball in Pakistan's court, it must address the concerns put forward by Kashmir. Furthermore, it needs to work on its relation with India to foster welcome trade, connectivity and bilateral cooperation between both the states. In this way, Pakistan can embrace the path of prosperity as well.

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