

Geopolitical alliances in the 21st century: Opportunities and challenges for Pakistan.

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(1) Introduction:

Thesis statement:

Geopolitical alliances plays a pivotal role in the progress and economic stability of Pakistan, which poses formidable challenges. However, proactive approaches are required to maximize opportunities and mitigate challenges.

(2) Opportunities of geopolitical alliance in the 21st century for Pakistan:

(2.1) Encourages Foreign investment and economic progress through Belt Road Initiative.

Case studies Gwader Port, textile Parks and projects.

(2.2) Establishes modern infrastructure and mode of Transport

Case studies Greenline, ML-1 railway and roads.

(2.3) Increases employment opportunities and financial stability

Case studies 700000 jobs under CPEC projects.

(2.4) Counters terrorism strategy and cyber security system

Case studies SCO counter terrorism policy.

(2.5) Establishes Special Economic Zones (SEZs) to attract foreign investment

Case studies: Six Special Economic Zones in Pakistan.

(2.6) Formulates sustainable environmental policies with help of climate finance initiatives.

Case studies: One Billion Tree Tsunami project, urban forestry.

(2.7) Provides scholarships and research opportunities.

Case studies: China, Turkey provides scholarship to Pakistani students.

(2.8) Purchases discount oil and gas from Russia.

Case studies: Pak-Russia crude oil deal 2022.

(2.9) Enhances regional connectivity and energy transition projects.

Case studies: TAPI, CASA, 1000 and IP.

(2.10) Updates Iron and steel industry

Case studies: Pak-Russia steel mill deal 2025.

(2.11) Strengthens military capacity and security system.

Case studies: JF17 Thunder from Turkey, Cruise missile deal with China.

(2.12.) Transform technological advancement and digital economic partnerships.

Case studies D8 Summit in Pakistan.

(2.13.) Signs strategic safety and security deals.

Case studies Pakistan. Saudi Arabia defence deal.

(2.14.) Revolutionizes modern farming techniques and production.

Case studies Chinese Precision farming and mechanization.

(2.15.) Promotes trade, regional integration and connectivity.

Case studies ECO, SCO, BRICS and BRI.

(3) **Formidable Challenges faced by Pakistan due to geopolitical alliance in 21st century:**

(3.1) Emergence of global power trade rivalries.

Case studies United states and China. trade wars.

(3.2) Growing influence of India in the region.

Case studies India's alliance with USA and QUAD.

(3.3) Threats of economic sanctions and tariff.

Case studies Trump tariff policy.

(3.4) Faces pressure from IMF and World Bank for joining
WTA block.

Case studies IMF deal with Pakistan \$7 billion.

(3.5) Resurgence of terrorism and regional militancy.

Case studies, TTP, Taliban and Indian provinces.

(3.6) Skyrocketing oil and gas prices in international market.

Case studies Russia Ukraine war.

(3.7) Exacerbates wheat crisis and declining supply chain.

Case studies Pakistan purchase 39% of wheat from Ukraine.

(3.8) Increases United States and China India cooperation.

Case studies United States and India weapon Deal.

(3.9) Emergence threats of cyber warfare and 5th generation warfare.

Case studies recent attacks on National Bank and NADRA.

(4) **Pertinent strategic are required to minimize its challenges and achieve benefit:**

(4.1) Navigating balanced relations with China and United States.

(4.2) Strengthening international law and United Nations Conflict resolution measures.

(4.3) Investing in modern education, research, disciplines and local industries.

(4.4) Promoting diplomacy and multilateralism to ^{stimulate} ~~enhance~~ economic growth and progress.

(4.5) Investing renewable energy resources and sustainable environment measures such as Quaid-e-Azam solar Park and Shampur wind Plant.

(4.6) Utilising SCO, BRICS platforms for redress Kashmir issue and boundary line dispute with India.

(4.7) Establishing strong firewall and cyber security system.

(4.8) Strengthening border safety and security through fencing and physical surveillance system.

(4.9) Promoting tourism and blue economic potential to strengthen economic integration.

(4.10) Conducting high voltage military operations against terrorist and militant to ensure peace and stability of country.

(5) Conclusion

"Alliances demand trust, but trust is often the first casualty in international politics". (Henry Kissinger). Geopolitical alliances have played a pivotal role in shaping Pakistan's economic stability, regional influence and security framework. It encourages foreign investment to stimulate economic progress and establish the Gross Domestic Production. It connects the allied with each other through formation of modern infrastructure and mode of transport. Alliances accelerate employment opportunities to improve the financial condition of partner countries. It counters terrorism and militancy to ensure peace and stability of country. It establishes Special Economic Zones (SEZs) to attract foreign investment and enhance trade and business of Pakistan across the globe. It helps to formulate sustainable environment policies through climate finances and strengthens military capability of countries to counter cyber attacks, regional security threats. It provides scholarships and research opportunities for Pakistani students to flourish their skills and analytical ability. It enhances regional connectivity and energy transition to fulfil the energy demand and redress the electricity crisis. Furthermore; it promotes collaboration and cooperation to formulate energy deals and technological exchanges. It strengthens the defence capability of countries.

to strengthen border safety and security. The geopolitical alliances revolutionizes modern agricultural farming and techniques to improve agriculture sector of Pakistan through Chinese precision farming and mechanization methods.

It transforms technological advancement to accelerate industrial development and economic partnerships.

It promotes trade, regional integration and connectivity to access the goods of Pakistan in Central Asia, South Asia and middle eastern countries. However it has several formidable challenges which undermined the potential of Pakistan, include trade war, India influence in the region, threats of economic sanctions, are the major challenges of geopolitical alliances. Additionally, resurgence of terrorism, supply chain crisis, hybrid warfare, and fluctuations in oil and gas prices are the perilous challenges for Pakistan.

Therefore proactive diplomatic initiatives are necessary to maximize its potential and overcome formidable challenges through economic cooperation, sustainable environment measures, renewable energy resources, tourism potential, cybersecurity measures and military operations against terrorism.