Critically examine the strategic, political, economic implications of the proposed Pak-US mineral deal for Pakistan's sovereignty, development, regional stability?

Introduction

Pakistan and US have long enjoyed friendly relation since inception of Pakistan. The current deal of minerals is the manifestation of Pakistan's strategic significance on global stage. Political ties with US have seen multiple ups and downs. Currently, the US ties with Pakistan would directly impact the economic growth of Pakistan. Apart from projecting its diplomatic influence, Pakistan would attract investment and technological development, creating employment opportunities for the locals. Similarly, the presence of the US would some positive implications. It would deter India from using its proxies in Baluchistan while securing its interest against the Afghan Taliban insurgency through Baluchistan boder. However, a cautious and balanced relations would keep China engaged, otherwise, Pakistan would lose Chinese Investment to india while increasing dependence on undulating relations with the US.

Pakistan-US Mineral Deal

After imposing indiscriminate tariffs on friends and foes, Trump has pushed many of its allies far away, including attracts the attention of great powers due to its strategic location. Thus Pakistan signed a deal to explore and discover minerals and oils in Pakistan. As Pakistan's economic fragility cannot afford expensive mechinary the US arrival would ~~both~~ boost both economy and technological mechinary

Pak-US Mineral Deal

- **Strategic**
  - Preventing India from using its proxies. Adding a new security layer
- **Economic**
  - Boosting economy by attracting more investment and investors creating employment opportunity
- **Political**
  - Strong ties extend Pak. diplomatic influence to all place where the US is present

Strategic Implication:

The presence of US would provide an added layer to the ~~s~~ security of Pakistan. It would prevent the Indian proxies from operating across the border, because the US would protect its interests. However, The ~~se~~ strategic relations with China need to be caustiously guarged to prevent from ~~los~~ losing China to India.

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Economic Implications

Pakistan's economic fragility has lowered employment rates & production

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of industries. So, with the arrival of US, technological upgradation would boost industrial production, thus, necessitating more employees. Besides, bring expensive machinery has become out of reach of Pakistan in current economic tough times, so US would be used an alternative ?

Political Implications

Strong ties with the US would extend the horizon of Pakistan diplomatic influence. Similarly, it would boost Pakistan image as its relations with all the US allies would be improved, thus more opportunities to diversify market for Pakistan without losing any important friend. However, a counter-vector India-China relations also needs serious attention. ?

Pakistan's Sovereignty

Amid the new deal, Pakistan sovereignty depends on how the relations with US would undergo. US is more transactional and less strategic in relations. Thus, its bonhomie with India has merely paused not ended, thus in future, it would limit Pakistan's ability to respond to any Indian aggression. Therefore, Pakistan needs to provide its own security to US firms so the US doesn't invoke "a threat to US interest" and prevent its forces from coming to the region.

add and highlight references/examples against these arguments.

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Development for Pakistan

Pakistan lacks sophisticated weaponry and technology. So, with coming of the US Pakistan would expected to modernize its defense and employ modern technology in its industry. Thus, making the win-win-situation for both states. The untapped resources would boost not only raw materials for Pakistan but also export products diversification for Pakistan.

Analysis

While states reciprocate the great powers' actions, it can be assumed that Pakistan would expect more investment because greater powers defend their interest. So, an extra layer to the security of Pakistan would bring prosperity in longer run. However, Pakistan must gauged its actions and policies to defend its sovereignty, and protect its strategic partner's interest.

add more arguments.

a 20 marks answer should have around 15 arguments and be on 7-9 pages.

Conclusion

Drawing on the above views, it can be concluded that the deal would bring both risks and opportunities in a longer run. However, a prudent policy making and active translation of the policies need cautiously gauged foreign policy while creating a conducive environment for win-win situation.

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