

Q. Bilateral relations with China are a pivotal component of Pakistan's foreign policy. What are the primary driving factors in this relation.

1) INTRODUCTION:-

Since the inception of both Pakistan and China both has displayed exceptional support to uplift each other.

- Anatoli Lieven,

Pakistan a hard country

This quote of Anatoli Lieven shows how the strong ties between Pakistan and China has existed from the very start. The bilateral relations with China are a pivotal point of Pakistan's foreign policy. The primary driving factors in this relation are strategic support CPEC, supporting each other at international forums, cultural exchange programs, eliminating terrorism etc. All of which help to further strengthen the relationship between both.

2) A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF WHY BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH CHINA ARE A PIVOTAL COMPONENT OF PAKISTAN'S FOREIGN POLICY

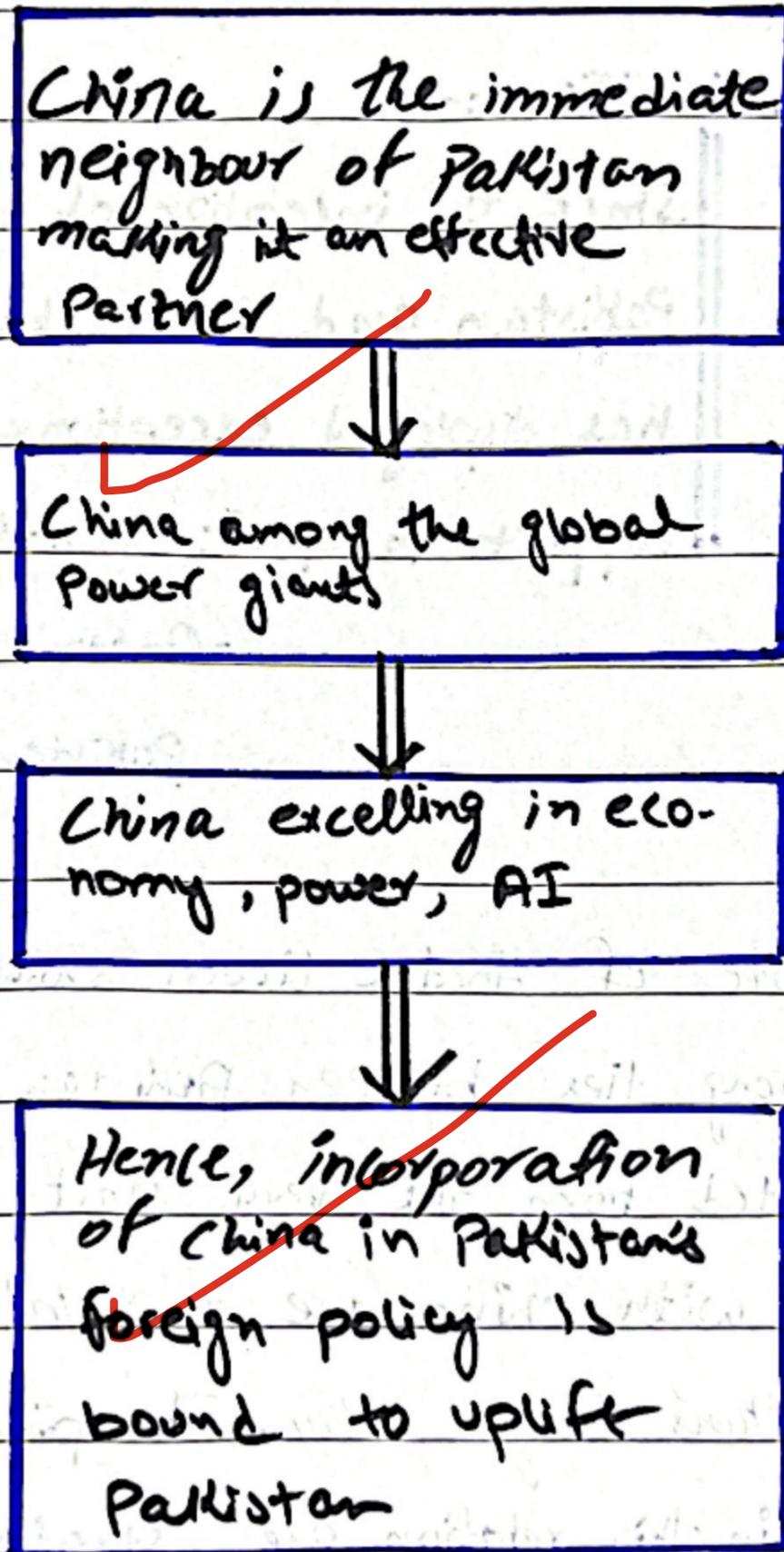


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The figure shows why bilateral relation with china is pivotal for Pakistan's foreign policy.

3) THE PRIMARY DRIVING FACTORS IN PAKISTAN AND CHINA RELATION

3.1) Strategic support to both owing to the close proximity of both countries

Pakistan and China are immediate neighbours.

They share a border of 596 Kilometers.

This provides both the countries with strategic support in a time of need.

3.2) China - Pakistan Economic Corridor the pill to uplift the economy

CPEC under the China's BRI initiative is a door-way for economic growth for both the countries.

CPEC is the tool that

can strengthen China's global position and

uplift Pakistan's economic standing to reach

autonomy (Zaid Hussain, opportunities under

CPEC)

3.3) Strong diplomatic support of both to each other at international forums

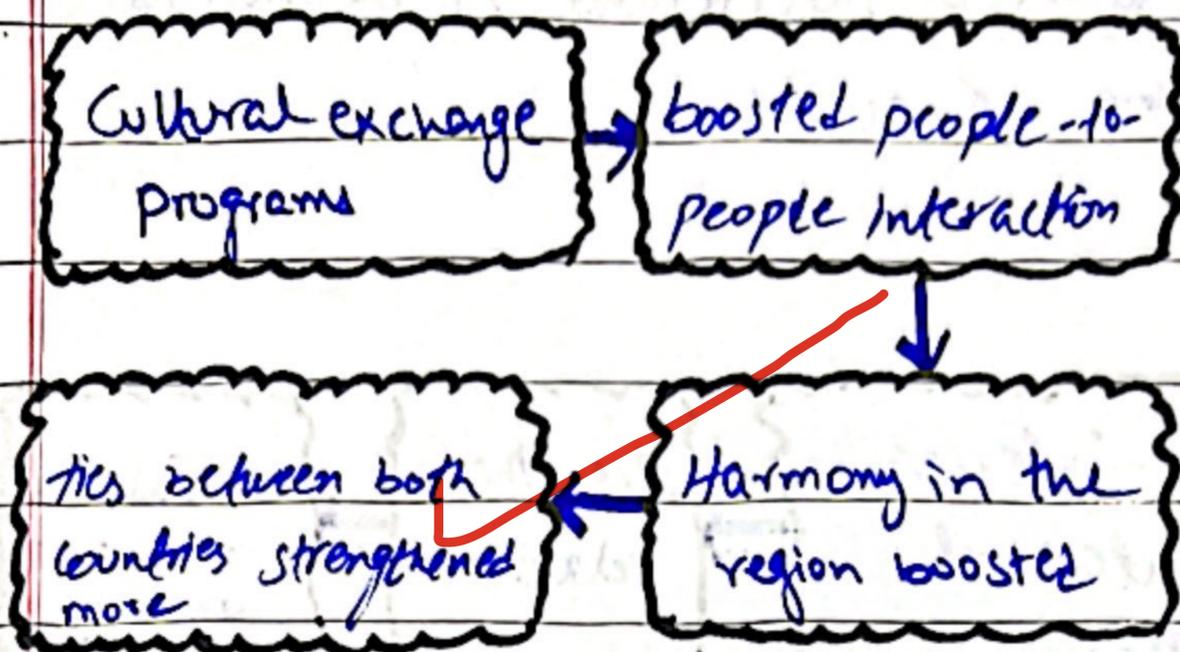
Both the countries have always stood up for each other at the international forums which is visible by how China has always stood up for the issue of Kashmir.

3.4) Military and defense support a key driving factor in Pak-China relation

Pakistan and China are strongly ~~bind~~ binded by military and defense support which is evident by the joint production of the JF-17 fighter aircrafts to strengthen the hard power [Ahmed Alwi, a shoulder to lean on]

3.5) Cultural exchange programs to boost people-to-people interaction

Cultural exchange programs by both has opened the avenue for socialization that further strengthens the relation between both the countries.



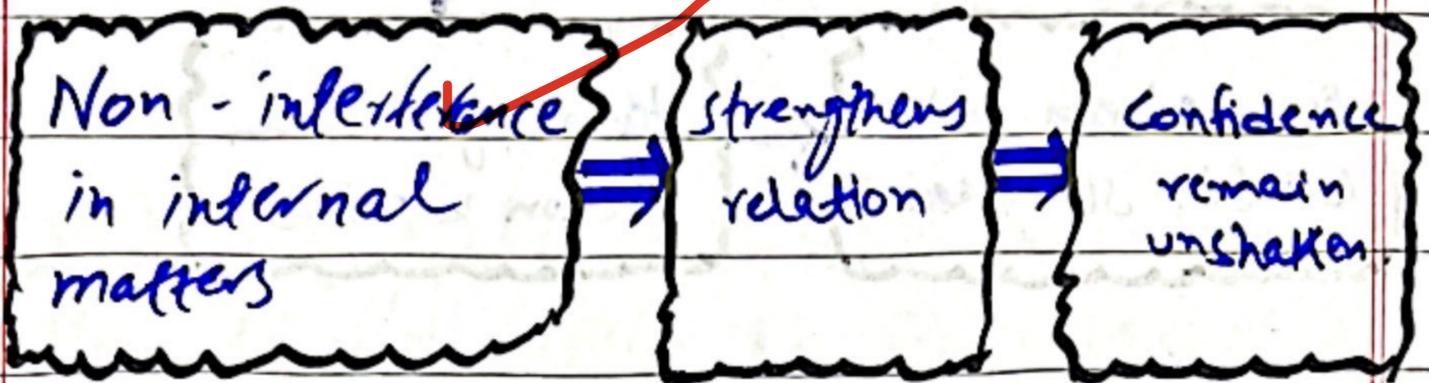
3.6) Eradicating terrorism for the smooth running of the CPEC project

Another key driving factor is the eradication of terrorism in Pakistan to curb any uncertainty in the path of the CPEC projects. China's intelligence support combined with Pakistan's policy formulation has the potential to clip the roots of terrorism in Pakistan (Pervaiz Hoodbroy, combined effort)

3.7) Non-interference principles of the the countries driving the relation

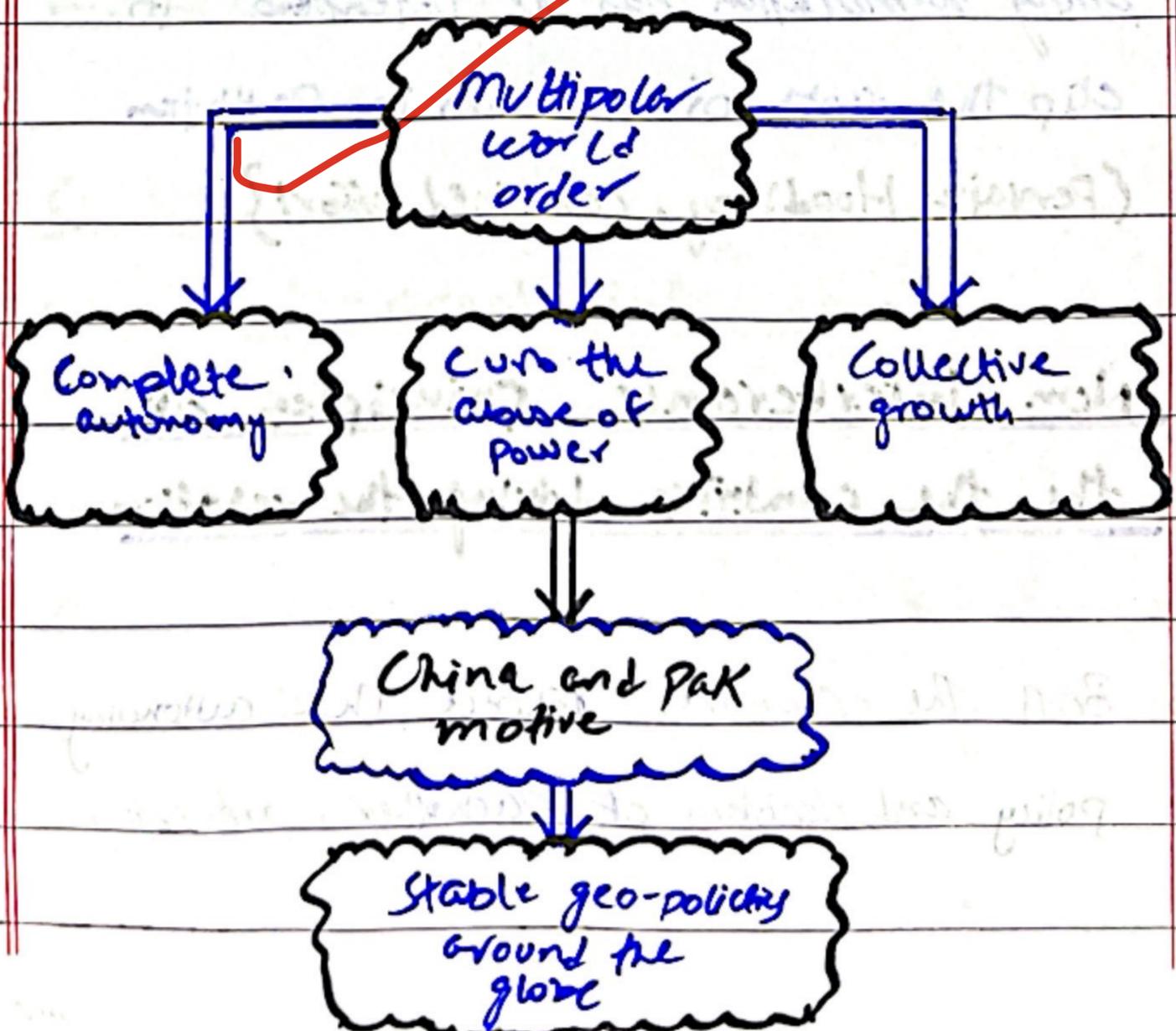
Both the countries respect the autonomy, policy and decisions of each other, preventing

any form of interference in the internal matters of each other.



3.8) Advocating of multipolar world order to prevent disorder around the globe

The support towards multipolarity by both is evident to curb any abuse of power around the globe and establish equality.



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3.9) Curbing the threat on India for regional balance of power

Curbing the hegemony of India in the region is another driving factor that unites both countries. Having issues with India at LOC and LAC is the key reason to curb the regional balance of power in the hand of India.

3.10) Providing routes to both Pakistan to Eurasia and China to Gulf countries

Providing of new trade routes by both the countries is another essential factor that drives the relation of both the countries.

add a few more arguments.....

4) CONCLUSION

To conclude, yes bilateral relation with China is pivotal for Pakistan's.

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foreign policy and the primary driving factors in the relation is on strategic cooperation, military cooperation, people to people interaction and also by the advocating of multi polarity. All of which helps to further strengthen the ~~real~~ relation between both the countries

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