

PAKISTAN'S RARE EARTH AS A Security Concern.

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1) Introduction:-

- 1.1) Potential of Rare Earth Minerals of Pakistan
- 1.2) National Security Policy of Pakistan 2022
- 1.3) Thesis Statement.

2.0) Pakistan's Rare Earth have become a security concern:-

2.1) US-China rivalry: positioning REM as resource curse in geo-political bloc.

- Situation prevailing in Democratic Republic of Congo.
- Prospects of US sanctioning Pakistan under CAATSA for entirely aligning with China.

2.2) Patron-client relations: dependency on China and the US for technology transfer may enforce neo-colonial dependency

- Council on Foreign Relations Report "Strategic Consequences of REM."
- US geological Survey Mineral Commodity Summaries 2024.

2.3) Catalyst for ~~successionist~~
 violence and provincial fractures:
 presence of minerals wealth in
 KPK and Balochistan.

- Balochistan Conflict Analysis
 by Centre for Research and
 Security Studies (CRSS).
- International Crisis Group Report
 "Balochistan's Forgotten war."

2.4) Environmental ~~Security~~ threat:
 driving climate change problems.

- MIT (2022) study on Bayan
 Obo.

2.5) Elite ~~capture~~ and Corruption
 vortex: undermining economic
 security of the state.

- Transparency International Corruption
 2024.
- World Bank's "Changing Wealth of
 nations 2021 report."

2.6) Market Volatility and Economic
 Weaponization: wreaking havoc
 on economic growth.

- World Bank's "Mineral for climate
 Action" Report.
- Implications of China's 2010 export
 embargo of REM on Japan's economy.

2.7) Intelligence and Espionage
background: dependence on
foreign company will undermine
economic sovereignty.

- Australia Strategic Policy Institute,
"RE decoupling dilemma" report.

2.8) Militarization and Security
force over-reach: blurring
line between corporate
security and state defence

- Formation of "Brigade against
illegal Mining" in Colombia
as case in point.

good well

researched and

quite relevant

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3.0) Panacea for addressing aforementioned challenges

3.1) Navigating between US-China
rivalry through balanced approach.

3.2) Ensuring the participation of local
people to combat successionist
movements.

3.3) Forge intelligence and tech based partnership
with the companies in the US and China
to counter dependency syndrome.

4.0) Conclusion.