

Q. BRICS? Implications?→ Introduction:-

BRICS is new emerging block on the horizon of the world. It formed in 2006 with the aim of promoting common political and economical goals of member countries. The recent summit of BRICS added six new members and intend to expand this block in future too. This expansion of BRICS is threatening to hegemony of the United States as China and Russia are its prominent members. It is yet to decide whether BRICS challenges directly the hegemony of US and end unipolar world in geoeconomic-s. Many countries are showing their interest in joining BRICS which depicts multipolar world is future. BRICS have geopolitical and geoeconomical implications.

→ Recent Summit of BRICS:-

The recent summit of BRICS was held in the South-Africa. In recent summit, six new

Countries joined in the 1980s
of BRICS including Egypt, Saudi
- Arabia, Argentina, Iran, Ethiopia
and
Pakistan was observer state
in this BRICS summit but
now in today's data, Pakistan
has applied for membership of
BRICS.

Avoid arrows



BRICS: An Attracting organization for
Developing Countries

Developing countries are attracting
towards BRICS as they
see it rid of the American
influence. They want to escape
from American's lead financial
and security institutions. China
led BRICS is attracting the
less developing countries by
infrastructure, investments
and connectedness. BRICS
countries comprise of 29%
world population and 30 trillion
USD economy. That's why
many countries are showing
interest in joining this
block.

You have to discuss both
separately and Political Implications
of BRICS:

Following are the geoeconomical and political implications of BRICS.

(i) Counterweight to G-20 :-

BRICS is counterweight to American lead G-20. The total GDP of G-20 countries are \$45 trillion and of BRICS is around \$30.5 trillion.

(ii) Leads to Multipolar world :-

BRICS enforces an inclusive and multipolar world. It leads to the end of unipolarity and makes space for multipolarity.

(iii) De-dollarization of BRICS :-

The major implications of BRICS is de-dollarization of their dollar. BRICS countries are preparing to launch novel currency in order to do trade among themselves.

According to the Wall Street

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The Journal; ...

Saudia : Arabia and
China are in process of
dialogue to trade oil
in Yuhao. Saudia Arabia
also mentioned that
trade of oil is open
other than dollar.

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The de-dollarization of dollar is
not immediately possible but
gradually de-dollarization will
happen.

The US economist, Goldenz Lira,
make an analysis on de-dollarization.
According to him, China has
entered into the Middle East. It
will invest in Yuhao there and
Chinese currency pile up there.

The Middle East countries withdraw
their currency reserves of dollar
from banks of the USA and
start sharing Yuhao reserves.

It will get back to dollar as
the USA printed more dollar
to compensate but ultimately
dollar will lose its value.

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Threat to Hegemony of USA:

BRICS has threatened hegemony of USA as Russia and China, both are members of BRICS. The invasion of Russia and resurgence of Russia again is countering the USA in Asia-Pacific region.

India is also a member of BRICS. That's why, it did not sign AUKUS and QUAD to counter China and antagonize Russia.

(v)

Resurgence of Russia:

Russia, through BRICS, is resurging again. After imposing sanctions by the West, Russia did not stop in Ukraine. BRICS is a platform where Russia is trading with member countries other than dollar. According to the New York Times, Russia and UAE are trading in local currencies.

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Limited the Influence of USA in Africa and Middle East:-

African and Middle East countries are inclining towards BRICS. It is setback for America. It has limited influence of the USA into the Middle East, Saudi Arabia and UAE are already trading oil in local currencies with the member countries of BRICS.

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Relief for Sanctioned Countries:-

The USA is sole master of the world, imposes sanctions on the country which do not act according to its interests. The sanctions are mostly in economical terms. The most sanctioned countries by the USA are Russia and then Iran. BRICS platform is a sign of relief for them. Iran and Russia are working on launching gold backed crypto currency for trading.

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Set Back to Economy of USA

BRICS platform is threatening to the economy of USA. The total debt of USA is \$32 trillion. The major importers of USA are the African and Middle Eastern countries. Now all are turning their turns into BRICS member countries.

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Conclusion:

BRICS platform is resurfacing again after its recent expansion. The American led western block see it as a counter weight and threatening. On the other hand, BRICS aims to promote common economical and political interests of each other. Majority of less developed countries are inclining towards it. It is to see whether it will surpass the **Imbalance** or only run parallel to it.

Discuss your paper in tutorial

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US-Indo Partnerships? Effects on Ind PAK?

→ Introduction:

India and the USA are pursuing their common goals in Indo-Pacific region. The America has opted new non-NATO ally in the region and both are relying on each other in countering China. The Indo-Sino rivalry is by-product of the US-China rivalry. India wants to become Blue Water Navy and regional policeman. To become this, the USA is supporting our eastern neighbours from every sides just to protect its own strategic interest in the region.

Henry Kissinger rightly said:

America has neither permanent friends, nor permanent enemies.

The Indo-USA partnerships has serious repercussions for Pakistan which need to be addressed.

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→ Time line of US-Indo partnerships:-

Obama administration, in 2016, pinned its high hopes with India and declared best partnership of century.
Following is the timeline of Indo-US partnerships.

- (i) Launching of Basic Memorandum of Agreement - 2014
- (ii) Basic Exchange of Information Memorandum of Agreement - 2014
- (iii) Communication Sharing Memorandum of Agreement - 2014
- (iv) Security Agreement Memorandum of Agreement - 2014
- (v) India-USA I₂U₂ - 2015
- (vi) India-USA South East Asia Policy
- (vii) Necklace of Diamond Policy
- (viii) Look-Asia Policy

India and USA are partners since 1991 but this partnership become warm after rise of China and the withdrawal of America from the Afghanistan.

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**How it is aim at containing
China??**

→ Effects on Pakistan: soil smil
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Indo-US partnership has following implications for Pakistan.

(i) Maritime Challenges for Pakistan:

The on-going partnership between India and USA is enhancing challenges in India Ocean for Pakistan. India wants open and independent Indian Ocean.

(ii) Balancing of Foreign Policy between China and USA:

The USA is biggest export market for Pakistan. It would be difficult to maintain foreign policy independent for China and USA as USA is here to control China through India.

(iii) Pose threat to core Issue of Pakistan: Kashmir Issue:

The growing partnership between India and USA pose threat to core issue of Pakistan.

The USA is promising India to help in getting

veto power in the United Nation Security Council. If India is successful in that then it would be direct threat to Kashmir issue.

(iv) Security Concerns on Western and Eastern Border

The growing India-USA partnership raises concerns for Pakistan on both western and eastern border. The confidence given by the USA to India is danger for Pakistan. It alerts Pakistan and India is also using Afghanistan's soil to harm Pakistan and creates insurgency in Balochistan.

(v) Tarnishing of Soft Image of Pakistan

India, by gaining full support from the USA has tarnished soft image of Pakistan. The FATF

list still contain Pakistan's name. India is doing propaganda against Pakistan.

According to the European Union Disinformation report, India has launched 1000 websites to damage image of Pakistan.

(vi) Limited Strategic Interests of Pakistan:-

The USA-India alliance has limited strategic interests of Pakistan in Indo-Pacific region. The adventure of military exercises in Indo-Pacific region is clearly indication of that India wants to become blue water navy.

(vii) 5th generation warfare challenges:-

India and USA are sharing latest technology and intelligence information. It poses a threat of 5th generation warfare for Pakistan.

→ Policy Options for Pakistan:

The aforementioned implications of the US-Indo partnerships need to be addressed.

Following are the policy options for Pakistan.

(i) Strengthen Security measures:

Pakistan needs to strengthen its security measure on borders in order to avoid any dangerous repercussions.

(ii) Strong and Balance Diplomatic Ties with other Countries

Pakistan should frame balance foreign policy towards its neighbours.

(iii) Do not Antagonize America

Pakistan should not antagonize its relations with America on the cost of China. Pakistan should act balance in both cases.

(iv)

Adopt Latest Technology :-

Pakistan should adopt latest technology from developed world in order to avoid repercussions of the 5th generation warfare.

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Put its House in Order :-

Pakistan needs to put its house in order firstly. Pakistan needs to diversify economically. This is a matter of geo economics. So, it is a need of hour to stabilize Pakistan economically.

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Enhance Military and Intelligence Capabilities :-

In order to combat with advance warfare, Pakistan needs to enhance its military and intelligence capabilities at

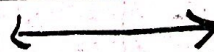
advance level.



Conclusion:

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The alliance of India and the USA is making this clear that in international relations, there is no permanent friend and enemy. The ongoing partnership is threat to Pakistan in several ways. The main purpose of this alliance is to ~~counter~~ ~~China~~ and ~~the~~ India is playing this role for the USA. Now, time will decide that this partnership is successful in countering China and its economic projection in the region.



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Introduction:

Pakistan is facing severe economic crisis due to multiple factors that

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lead economy of Pakistan at
bleak. In economic crisis, the
major core issue is: expensive
electricity. Pakistan is producing
expensive electricity in South
Asia and third expensive
electricity in the world. This
expensive electricity has dented
Pakistan's industrial economy to
next level that would impact
every sphere of life for longer
period.

→ Reasons behind Expensive Electricity:

Following are the reasons
behind expensive electricity
in Pakistan.

(1) Contracts with IPPs:

Pakistan
government had signed contracts
with independent power
producers in 20th, 1990s.

All these contracts can not
be revised before deciding
date. They are producing
electricity in Slabs and
government has to purchase
electricity in dollars.

(ii) Depreciation of Pakistani Rupees:

Pakistan rupees has depreciated 25% according to the State Bank of Pakistan. As Pakistan has to pay in dollars as per agreement. So, depreciation of rupees leads to expensive electricity.

(iii) Imports of Hydrocarbons:

Pakistan is producing electricity from hydrocarbons. To meet the need of hydrocarbons, it has to import. This lead to more expensive electricity.

(iv) Electricity Theft:

Electricity theft by agricultural feudals and industrial lords lead to expensive electricity. They do not pay bills.

(v) Incomplete Projects:

Pakistan has projects of gas and

electricity. ~~in~~ pipelines. This in completion lead us to import hydrocarbons and produce expensive electricity.

→ Implications of Expensive Electricity:

Following are the implications of expensive electricity.

(i) Closure of Industries:

Expensive electricity leads to closure of industries. It has set back the economy.

(ii) Increase in cost of commodities:

With the rise in price of electricity, cost of transportation, raw material has also increased.

(iii) Sky-Rocketing Inflation:

Expensive electricity has raised the base of inflation high. Pakistan has 29% inflation rate.

(iv) Rise in Circular Debt:

dollars to IPPs, the government has to borrow money. It would ultimately lead to rise in circular debt. Currently, circular debt of Pakistan is 456 billion PKR.

(v) Decline Standard of Living:

Pakistanis consumes 50% to 70% of their income in paying bills of electricity. Currently, the electricity rate per unit is 45 - 55 PKR. This is declining standard of living as half of income is consumed by expensive electricity.

(vi) Decrease in Agricultural Production:

Due to expensive electricity, tube wells are not working as the most of farmers are not affording electricity. It lead

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to decline in agricultural production.

→ Suggestion:

Following are the suggestions to lower down the price of electricity.

(i) Revise Contracts With IPPs:

Pakistan need to revise its contract with IPPs which were signed after 2014 to pay in PKR.

(ii) Switch to Renewable Energy Sources:

Pakistan need to switch to renewable energy resources like wind and solar projects.

(iii) Control Electricity Theft:

Pakistan should control electricity theft in order to lower down the prices of electricity.

(iv) Completion of Pipeline Project:

Pakistan should complete its pending projects of gas like

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Peace gas pipeline with Iran.

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Closing of Market Early:

Burden of electricity ^{needs, Pakistan} should close its ^{market early} **Discuss impact on each sector separately**

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Conclusion:

In a nutshell, it can be said that Pakistan is producing expensive electricity due to multiple factors. It has serious economic and domestic repercussions. To control this and lower the price of electricity, Pakistan needs to revise its National Energy conservation policy and implement it.

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←→
Israel and Hamas?

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Introduction:

"The future conflicts will not be in civilization, nor between religion; It

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would be between violence
and non-violence."

(Michael Engham)

The above mentioned lines
seem pertinent today. The
ongoing conflict between Hamas
and Israel started on 7th
October 2023 but its roots
are dated back to 1948.

This conflict divide the Global
South and Global North. The
brutality of Israel on Palestinians
and silence of the world
leader is depicting that
now there is no international
world order. There is only
world order of interests. This
ongoing conflicts has far
reaching impacts on the
world, specifically the Middle
East. This conflict need to
solved as per UNO clauses.

→ Israel-Hamas Conflict: 7th Oct 2023

Hamas launched 5000
rockets on the Israel
on Yom Kippur, the holy
day for Israel. Israel

was not ready to this attack. Hamas has failed the defensive Iron dome system of Israel and in return Israel has retaliated back and till date, it is retaliating with non-discriminate bombing.

→ Casualties on both sides:

Due to non-discriminated bombing of Israel, more than 10,000 Palestinians (as of) have lost their life including 3500 children. On the other side, Israel has lost 1400 lives. The ratio of casualties is quite large.

→ Response of the World:

This conflict has divided Global South and Global North. The USA and its allies are openly supporting Israel and give it a name "defensive approach." While the Muslim world is divided.

Egypt has not open its border for refugees. Turkey and Iran are condemning Israel while Saudi Arabia has not respond satisfactorily.

→ Implications of conflict:

(i)

Humanitarian Crisis:

The ongoing conflict between Hamas and Israel can lead to humanitarian crisis.

(ii)

Infrastructure Loss:

This conflict has damaged the infrastructure including houses, schools and hospitals.

(iii)

Destabilization of Middle East:

This conflict has destabilize the Middle East. The region is divided on giving response as mostly countries were nearly to normalize ties with Israel.

(iv) Refugees Crisis:

This conflict lead to refugees crisis. Egypt is not opening its border for 2 million refugees.

(v) Eruption of WWII:

This conflict lead to eruption of World War III. As America, Russia and Iran are directly involve in it.

(vi) Destabilization of Oil prices:

According to the report of world Bank, the ~~g~~ ongoing conflict can result in increases in prices of oil and transportation. So, this can destabilize the oil prices.

→ Conclusion:

It can be concluded from above implications that Israel-Hamas conflict has serious repercussions.

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massive disaster before
it's too late.

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