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General Knowledge III Pakistan Affairs.

Question No.8

Synopsis:

→ Introduction

→ Economic, demographic, and environmental challenges will shape the future

↳ Economic instability pushes backward

↳ Economic instability and inflation

↳ Can generate political instability

↳ Press freedom

↳ Corruption in the state

↳ Demographic changes

↳ Nuclear program in doubt

↳ Youth bulge compromised

↳ Lack of national cohesion

↳ Democratic efforts in wait

→ Critical analysis

→ Conclusion.

Pakistan is at a critical juncture due to economic and political instability, masses insecurity towards state driving powers, environmental catastrophe and many other reasons. A state cannot move efficiently without the support of its masses. Therefore, it needs to take proper measures to bring the state back to track.

Economic, demography, and environment will shape the future

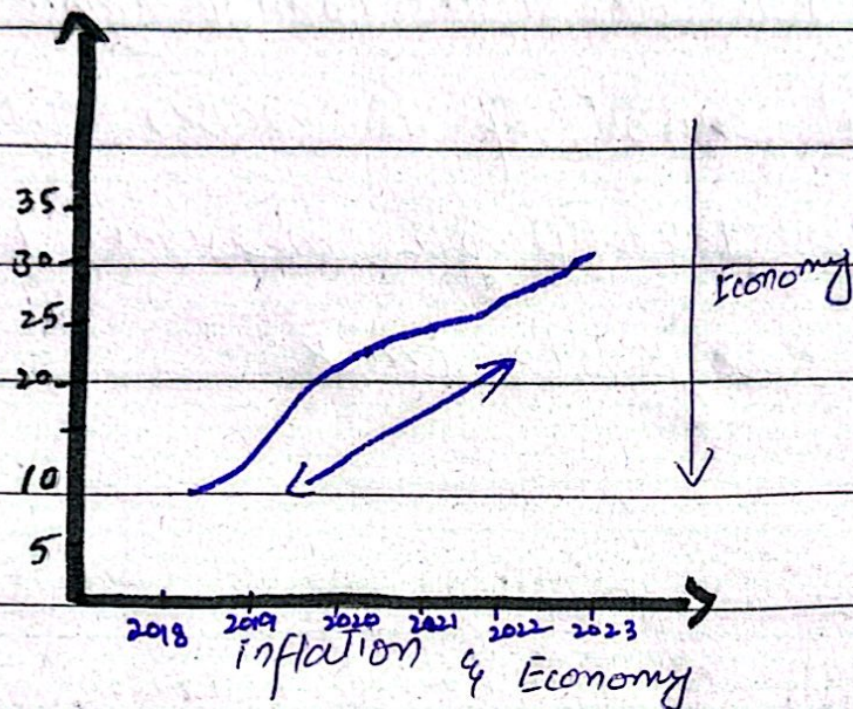
Economic instability can push state backward

The state is in an unstable economic condition where flow of funds in the market has decreased and it has created sense of market crash which will lead to deterioration.

Economic instability and inflation

The state is unable to satisfy its masses and their basic

needs, a sudden rise in inflation upto **30%** can be a proven attack on the lives of masses.



This is how graph of inflation grown up and economies came down, dollar reached to

$$1\$ = 287 \text{ PKR}$$

Can generate political instability

Instable economy

cannot satisfy the needs of its masses and when political powers will be questioned for their efforts for the masses and they'll be unable to hold the masses rage and resignation like that of UK will come.

Will give rise to corruption in the state

People will be diverted towards corruption and other such vices because they don't have enough sources to meet the needs. It will also create a **jungle law** or **anarchic state**.

Pakistan stands way behind in Press Freedom

Press freedom will lose its foundation of standing with the truth and promoting the basic rights of the masses and will stand at **130th rank** like it is now.

Demographic challenges can halt the progress

Demography is the shaper of a state, stability and progress of a state and if it goes against the state or state

drivers, there will be instability which won't work anymore.

A global doubt about the States nuclear program

After the instable economy and political state the nuclear program and its safety become a question that the General had to come on board to say, **Nuclear program of the state is safe.**

Youth bulge will not be utilised

Youth is the game changer of a state which is not well utilised in Pakistan's case. The state could have made a huge difference as the world predicted if youth bulge was handled with education and employment facilities unlike it is dealt now in jails.

Democratic efforts will go in waste

Democratic efforts Pakistan has made till date will go waste due to the instable conditions. State will no longer be a great stone to hide behind in the hours of need or turmoil.

National cohesion will be a dream

National cohesion which plays a great role in the development of a nation is missing here. If Japan can make progress like a phoenix after WWII why can't Pakistan, but stability first.

Floods, typhoons, storms will not be controlled

Floods, typhoons and storms will be the future unpredictable natural threat a 4th most

vulnerable country to climate will face. In case of economic instability, environmental issues and threat will be more devastating.

Insurgent groups will try to take their chance

Instability invites insurgencies and in the state where powers like **TTP** are already waiting in line, it will not wait too long and might lead to a disaster the country never imagined. like that of **Afghanistan**.

Masses will lose their trust to state

Masses will lose their trust to state and will try to leave the country or achieve their interest in every possible way which will lead the state to an anarchic condition.

critical analysis

Without economy, demography and now environment the road to progress cannot be built.

Conclusion.

To sum up, these factors can lead the country to a devastated condition and instability and it will be too late to bring it back. Therefore there is dire need to make a policy and take proper steps now.

Question No. 7

Synopsis:

→ Introduction

→ Pakistan and Afghanistan relations.

↳ Lack of consensus building

↳ Increase in border tensions

↳ Increase in terrorist attacks

↳ TTP influenced by TTA

↳ Inability of Afghan govt to address the issue

↳ Mass deportation of Afghans

↳ Cloudy nature of relations

↳ threat to strategic depth

↳ Jeopardize regional peace

↳ Weaken trade ties between both states

↳ Will impact cultural and social relations

→ Critical analysis

→ Conclusion

Pakistan and Afghanistan are the neighbouring states with different relations each day and month.

Once they celebrate their freedom and second they deposit them back to war-torn country when are pushed back from Afghan' influenced terrorist attacks.

⇒ Pakistan and Afghanistan Relations

Lack of consensus building

Two neighbouring countries which at a point out to be brothers with same religion and value get into enmity because of their lack of consensus building trait.

'Pakistan and Afghan government get into waddy fight instead of consensus.'

(Dawn News)

Increase in border tensions

An increase in border tensions while determining the boundary wall by Pakistan and later seen and highlighted by Pakistan.



A long border with ^{or without} security forces can be a threat to both states.

Increase in terrorist attacks

A sudden increase in terror attacks has been seen with the arrival of Taliban govt. which was highlighted by Pakistan.

An increase of about 60% in attacks by TTP due to Afghan Taliban.

TTP influenced by TTA creating instability

TTP is greatly influenced by the Afghan Taliban and therefore, they are creating instability in the state.

“TTP wants to take control of Pakistan like that of TTA.”

(Express Tribune)

Inability of Afghan govt to address the issue

The issues were highlighted multiple times by the Pakistan government but there seems a lack of consensus building between Pakistan and Afghan govt but a friendliness between Afghan Taliban and Pakistani Taliban that's why no assurance is given to address the issue and to abandon them.

Mass Deportation of Afghans

Pakistan has started mass deportation of Afghans living illegally in Pakistan which is not liked by the world though. But for the safety of their masses Pakistan seems unable to host the millions of Afghans anymore. World considers it unfair to send ~~down~~ them back to country from where they escaped.

Cloudy nature of Relations.

There is a cloudy nature of relation between both states after this decision but Pakistan says

**"We are disheartened to deport Afghans but Pakistan comes first."
(Foreign Minister of Pakistan)**

A new threat to strategic depth

Though this bad line relation shows now Pakistan's strategic depth is under greater threat but Pakistan's chief general says,

'Pakistan do not consider Afghanistan their strategic depth.'

Will jeopardize regional peace

Tensed relations between these two states might halt Pakistan's relations with CARs and might jeopardize the regional peace as well. It can as before push state more towards the arch rival India as well.

Will weaken trade ties

It will weaken the trade ties between

trade ties between both the states as well. They'll not be able to trade and earn revenue to their fullest potential.

Will impact cultural and social relations

Thousands of Afghans are studying in Pakistani universities and doing trade and other relations with Pakistan might lose their soft spot in the country which might lead to more tensions.

It will not only impact the cultural exchange programs but social relations as well.

critical analysis

Two countries sharing a long border with a lot of trade potential and social relations should make peaceful consensus.

Conclusion

Pakistan and Afghanistan has lost a lot with the terrorist attacks and Pakistan supported Afghans in Millions for more than a decade. So, there is dire need to make a consensus or to adjust the masses back to their homes in Afghanistan without jeopardizing the host states security

Question No.4

Synopsis

→ Introduction

→ BRI envision of economy, infrastructure production chains and trading links

↳ Economic Zones building

↳ Economic zone will eradicate poverty

↳ Infrastructure buildup

↳ better links between cities

↳ will promote tourism

↳ will build employment opportunities

↳ liberal trade

↳ Better technologies exchange

↳ Factories and industries

↳ Trade ties with other continents

→ Critical analysis

→ Conclusion.

Pakistan and China are strategic, economic and social partners since ages. They enjoy a historically good relations with each other. Pakistan is made part of BRI project which will increase the influence of China and mount up the economy of Pakistan.

BRI economic, infrastructure, production and chain links

Six economic zones building

Under

BRI in CPEC economic zones will be built which will bring an economic revolution to all the BRI states including Pakistan.

It will revolutionize the economy of countries like Pakistan and strengthen the European economies as well. It hold a lot of potential in it.

Economic zones will eradicate poverty

Economic zones of BRI and CPEC will eradicate the poverty from the world.

Chinese BRI project can uplift about 7 million people from poverty.

(Research reports)

Infrastructure buildup can facilitate the state

Road, railways and ports are infrastructure buildup will boost the economy of state.

Look, we would like to support an infrastructure program that make some what infrastructure needs do you have

It will create better links between cities

It will create better links between the cities within a state particularly for the countries with weak infrastructure can take good amount of it.

Better infrastructure in itself will create jobs

Better infrastructure will not only gain the trust of the masses but will generate a lot of employment for the masses as well. They'll be able to enjoy their basic rights.

Generate revenue with tourism

State tourism industry can get a huge benefit with infrastructure building as well. As, it will bring a lot of tourist to the state with easy

travel, safety, and culture

New factories and industries will be built

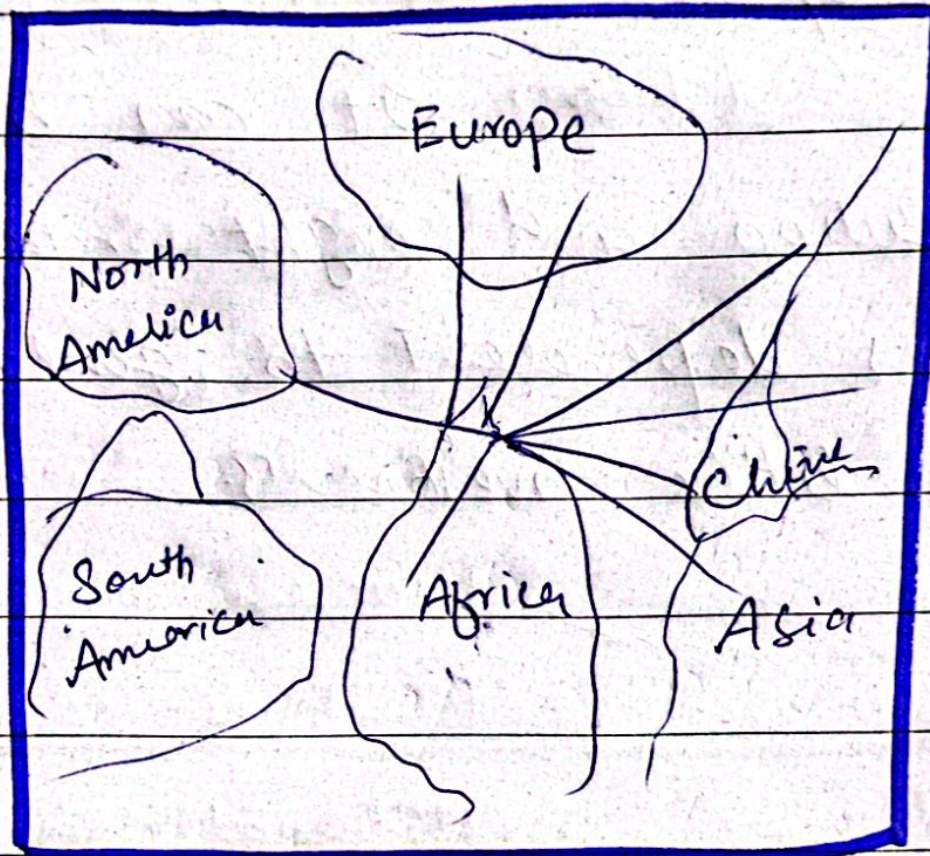
CPEC and BRI will introduce more factories and industries to the project which could be a game changer. As, at one end it will increase the export of the state and employment.

Flow of income will strengthen the economy.

These industries will generate a lot of revenue for the state. which will bring a lot more investment to the market and bring a lot money to state. It will bring stability to the state. as a stable economy will sponsor the prosperity, employment and stable politics in the state.

Chain Link between CARS, Asia, and Europe

China has linked the Asia, Africa, and Europe together. It has made landlocked economies part of this game changer program as well.



New trade areas will be unfolded

New trade areas and potentials will be unfolded with these chain and production link. It will also promote the low income generated goods globally.

quality products with low income.

New doors of technology will be opened

CPEC and BRI has to potential to bring new technology to the world like that of 5G and space programmes. It can bring a revolution and might make the states dependent to generate more with little investments.

Liberal trade will be initiated better than before

Free flow of goods in about 2-3 continents with a set route, low investments and trade expenses. It will in real sense revolutionize the liberal trade and make it more free and globalized without tariffs and less investment on sea routes.

Critical analysis

The world consider it might prove another debt trap like East India company.

'How China got Sri Lanka to cough up a port.'

(New York Times.)

Conclusion.

CPEC and BRI could be a game changer for all the linked states as it will bring new technologies, trade and employment opportunities for the world which will uplift the status of masses and bring Prosperity to world.

Question No. 6

Synopsis

→ Introduction.

→ Pakistan learnt in fifty years of constitution.

↳ Fifty years with pseudo-
• democracy.

↳ Article 25 A implementation

↳ Women rights.

↳ Multiple coups

↳ National cohesion missing

↳ Freedom of speech compromised

↳ Military intervention

↳ Minorities rights.

↳ Power influenced politics

↳ Independent foreign policy

↳ Masses are not center of
attention

↳ Critical analysis

→ Conclusion.

Pakistan has come with three constitutions in its seventy eight years of independence history and the third constitution has come and achieved its fifty years of birth. This constitution has brought a lot of good changes to state and has learnt many lessons as well.

Pakistan Learnt Lessons from Constitution in fifty years

Fifty years of Pseudo-democracy

Fifty years of pseudo democracy and still a lot to achieve. When elections are not held or elections are taken control of democracy loses its true sense.

State intervention in election will jeopardize the elections.

Article 25A effectiveness is still under threat

Education for all way the main agenda of constitution which is not effectively implemented.

'Children from nursery to primary will be give free education'

(Article 25A)

Women rights are still standing far behind.

Women are still living a deplorable life under, psychological, domestic violence. Without proper jobs, education and rights they are living a low strata life.

In gender gap Pakistan was at 153 in 2021, 146 in 2022, 143 in 2023, not making a good progress yet.'

(Dawn News)

Multiple Coups disintegrated the road to democracy

Multiple

Coups have disintegrated the road to democracy and jeopardized the democracy and sovereignty of state. Even take a firm hold of freedom of expression in the state as well.

Lack of national cohesion

These different incidences have divided the masses on religious and political fronts and no leader have tried to enforce national cohesion while using their political intellect but focused more on achieving their agendas.

Freedom of Speech is compromised

Freedom of speech is compromised in this era of uncertainty. It has divided the

people in suits and ethnicities and thus have taken firm control of them.

Military intervention in internal affairs not limited

Military is still much interested in interfering the politics of Pakistan and supporting one of ruling elite parties to get the decisions of their will. So, when a department goes against the constitution it puts the internal sovereignty and security at threat.

Minorities in state have not got the due rights

Minorities are part of constitution but they are not given the due rights of jobs, education and support from the state they deserve. Their security is at halt which has led to many unforgettable incidents.

Power influenced politics

states

are influencing the politics of another states in the form of regime change which is jeopardizing the sovereignty of the state. This is happening for not following the constitution of Pakistan.

Free foreign policy is not implemented

Free foreign policy with the world for better relations with the world is the identity of a state. But because of incompetent political elite it has lost its true sense, place and identity. It has affected Pakistan's relations with many states as well.

Masses are not center of attention

Masses are no more the center of attention but the political and military elite is.

without thinking assemblies are dissolved and then elections are held.

Youth bulge is not tackled well

Youth bulge of about 35% between 18-35 years of ages is abandoned by the state and society. They should be utilised and have the potential to bring a strong change to state.

Basic rights of masses are not given

Basic rights of food justice, education, employment of the masses is jeopardized. Especially

'justice delayed is justice denied'

But in Pakistan justice has lost its true shape. Some democratic and patriot might try to bring it back to its real shape.

Critical analysis

Constitution

should be the supreme authority
not the elite power of the state
for becoming true democracy.

Conclusion:

To sum up, constitution
of Pakistan has and is still going
through a vicious cycle of ups
and down but it's strengthening
its root with each passing day,
either the ruling elite will give
its due space or the masses will
take control.