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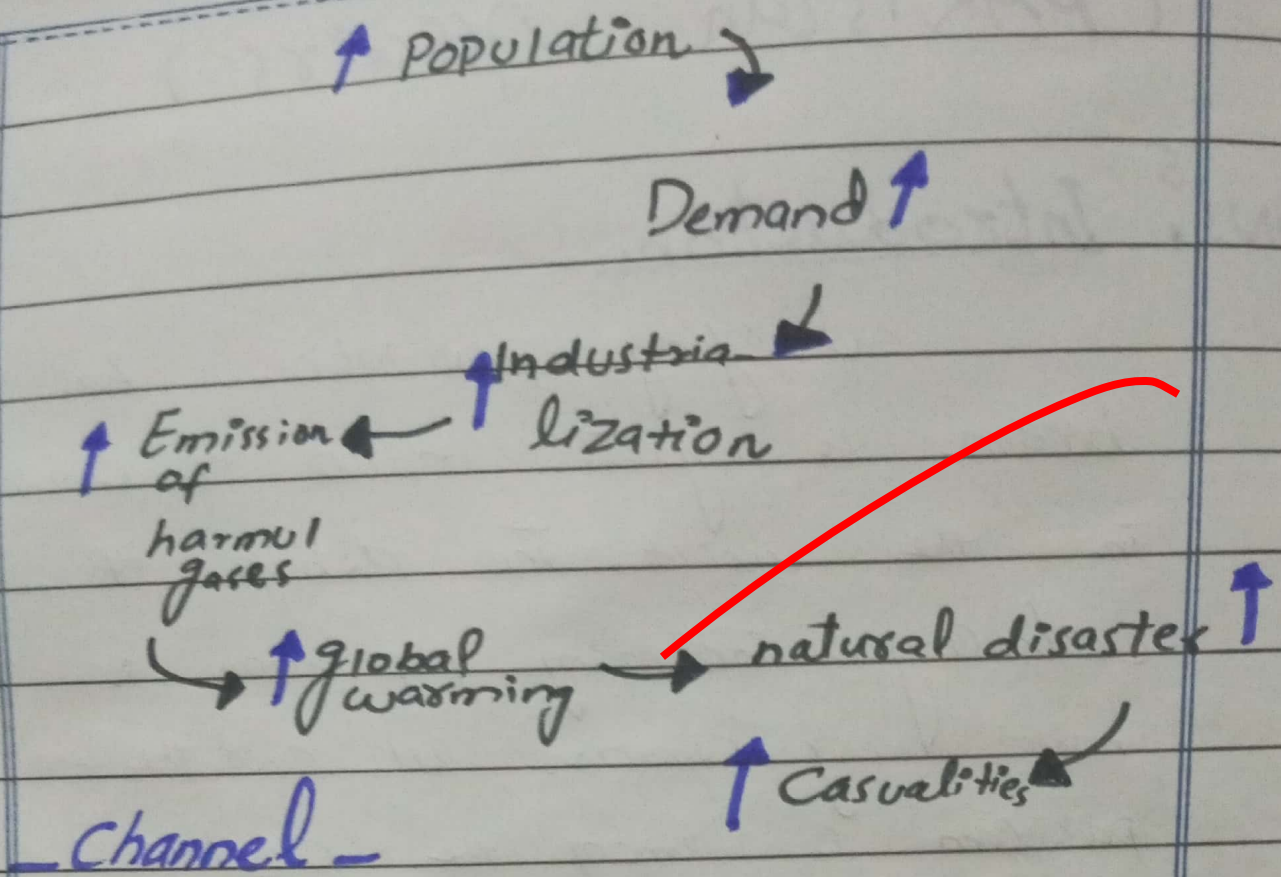
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Surging population has become a great matter of concern in the world. The debate of controlling increasing population is now very common all over the world. Pakistan is among the countries with a large population. Pakistan is expected to become a 5<sup>th</sup> most populous country by 2050. World Bank Report 2023. Faster growing population with a limiting resource is just a liability.

Nexus between population growth and the depleting resources

Population growth  $\uparrow$   $\rightarrow$  Resources  $\downarrow$



With the increase in population, demand is also increased. When demand for the resources increases, it required more production units to fulfilling the demand. By industrialization, harmful emission of harmful gases is increased which lead to the global warming. The growing ratio of climate natural disasters are due to the global warming. It ended up on loss.

# The phenomenon of Population explosion in Pakistan

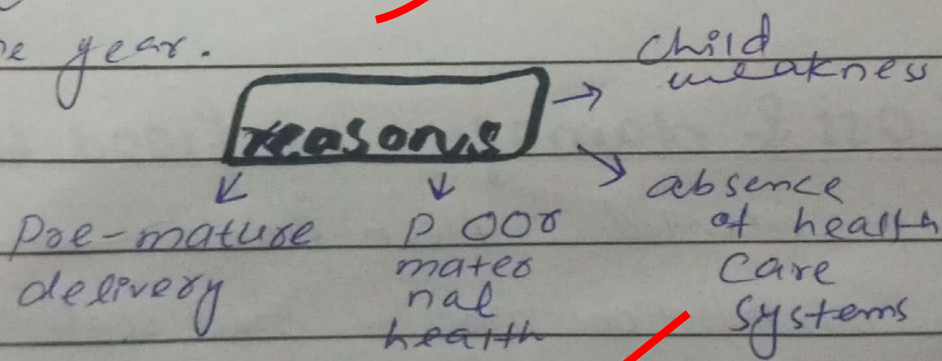
## a. Analysis of facts & figures

At the time of independence, the population rate (total) was about **50m 5 crore**. By the time it has become increased and currently, "it is about **229m**".

Economic survey of Pakistan, 2022-23

## b. Infant mortality

There are huge numbers of infant who died before one year.



## c. Urban Sprawl

Population explosion lead to the urban sprawl.

"Population explosion is one behind the urban sprawl as the demand for housing in cities accelerated"

## World Economic Forum

### d. Natural disasters

Deforestation, use of concrete, hydrocarbons, environmental pollution are altogether ~~cause~~ natural disasters. As human <sup>has</sup> disturbed the very shape of a nature so they ended up on natural disasters.

### e. Loss & damage in flood 2022

Unprecedented fresh flood made a destruction on a great scale.

"More than **10,000** casualties are recorded during 2022 flood in Pakistan."

**World Bank report**

"There was an estimated loss of about **\$300bn** in 2022 flood."

Ministry of Pakistan Foreign Affairs

# Measures to Control Population

## a. Fertility control bill by the legislature

Steep actions are needed to bring in a consideration. A Bill should be pass from a legislative assembly and became a part of the law.

## b. A forestation for environmental sustainability

Project of 10 billion tree tsunami should be complete as soon as possible. Steep actions should be taken against timber mafias.

## c. Transformation into clean green energy

Pakistan should opt

the motto of COP 28 at UAE which is about the transformation into clean green energy. That would definitely help in preventing the global warming.

## Conclusion

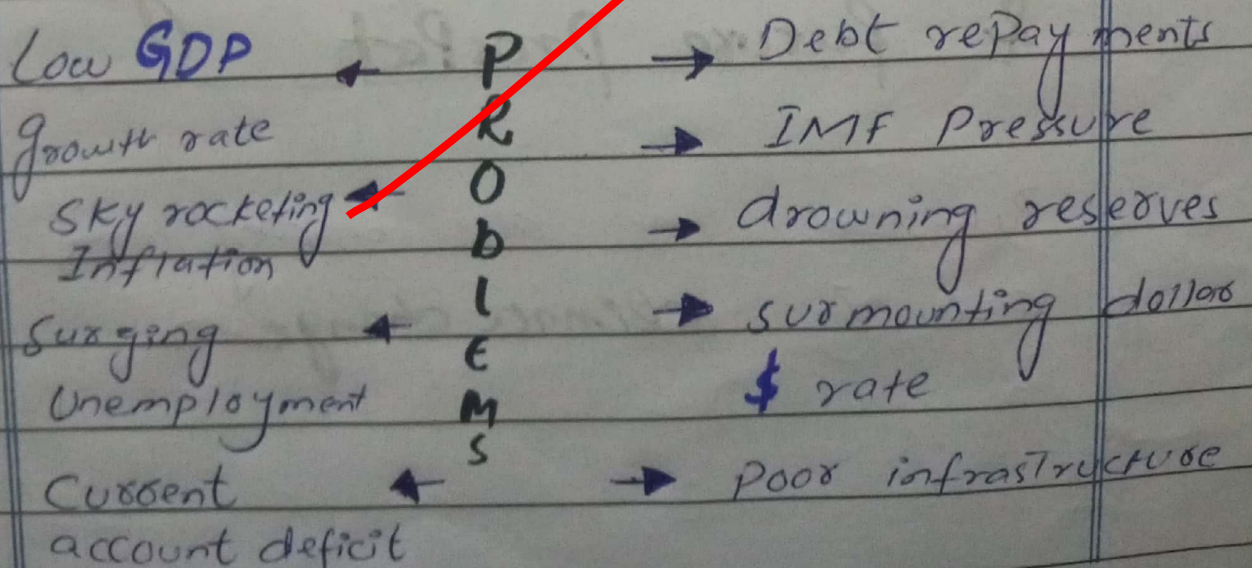
It is true that if a country does not take care of its resources including a human resource the nature will be do it. Pakistan is also suffering from a problem of population explosion. However, through proper planning and strategy, the problem can be tackled

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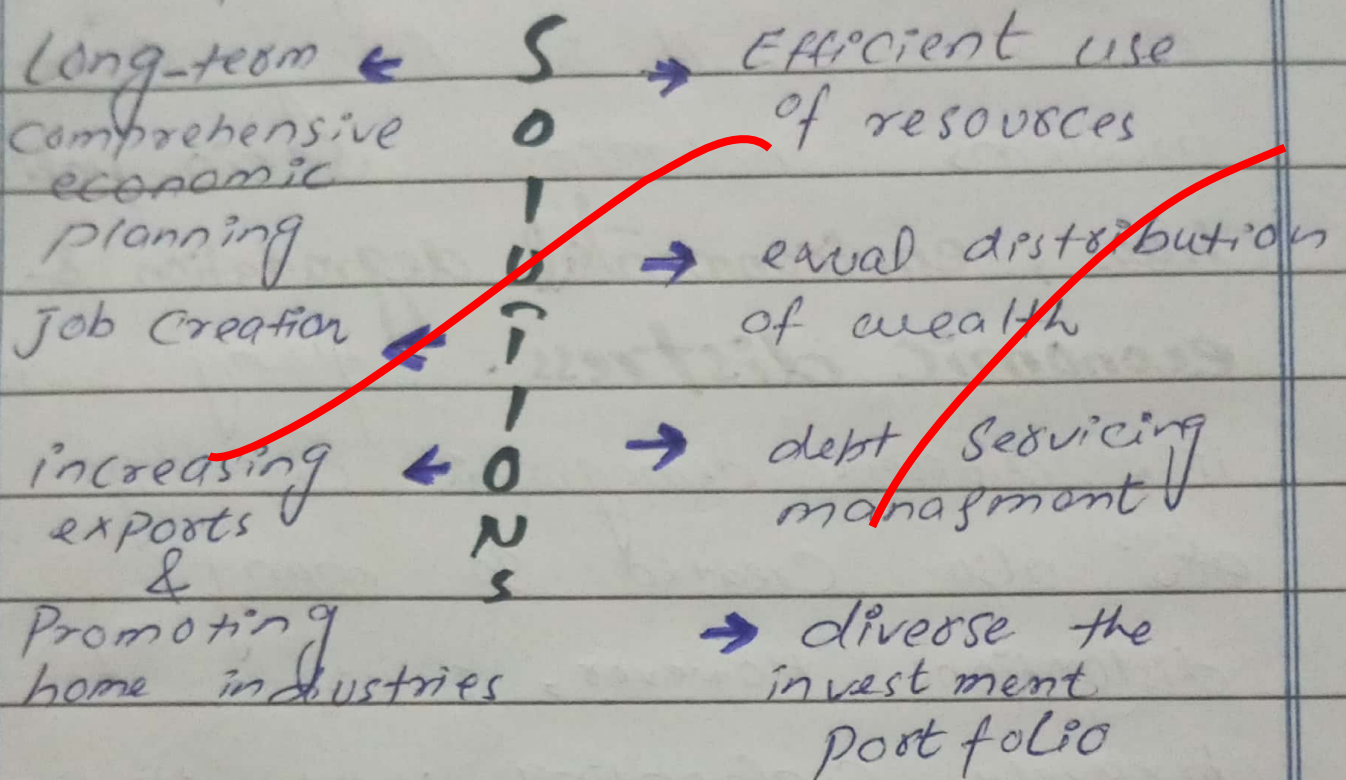
## Introduction

Pakistan has a long story of struggle. It is facing huge problems including socio-political chaos, environmental degradation & economic distress. Along with it, different demographic challenges <sup>has</sup> also created so many distortions. However, Pakistan has bravely confronting these issues and challenges.

## → Economic woes & its future prospects in Pak



All these problems hinders the way of Pakistan economic development.

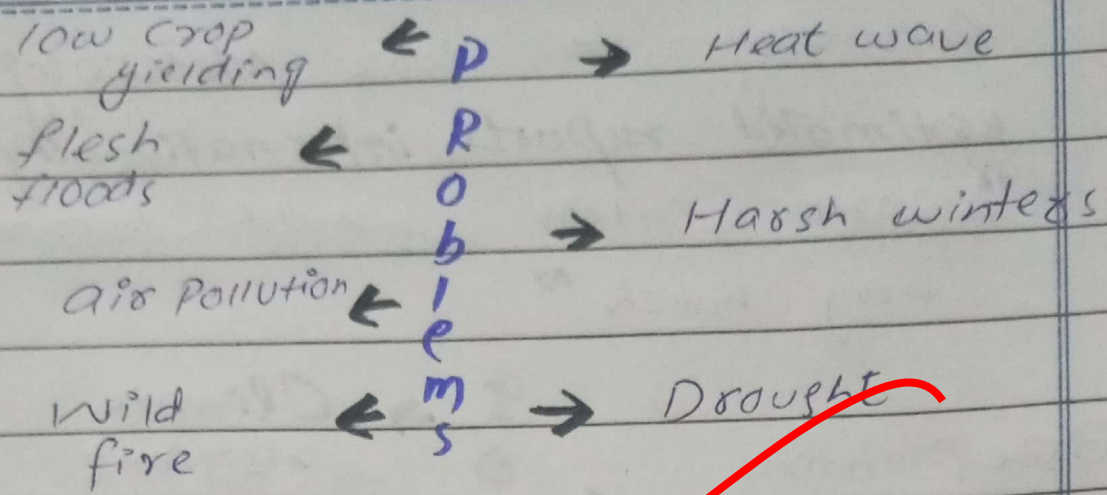


These essential steps could help Pakistan to come out of the distressing economic crisis.

## → Environmental challenges & future prospect

Pakistan has also bearing the cost of climate change.





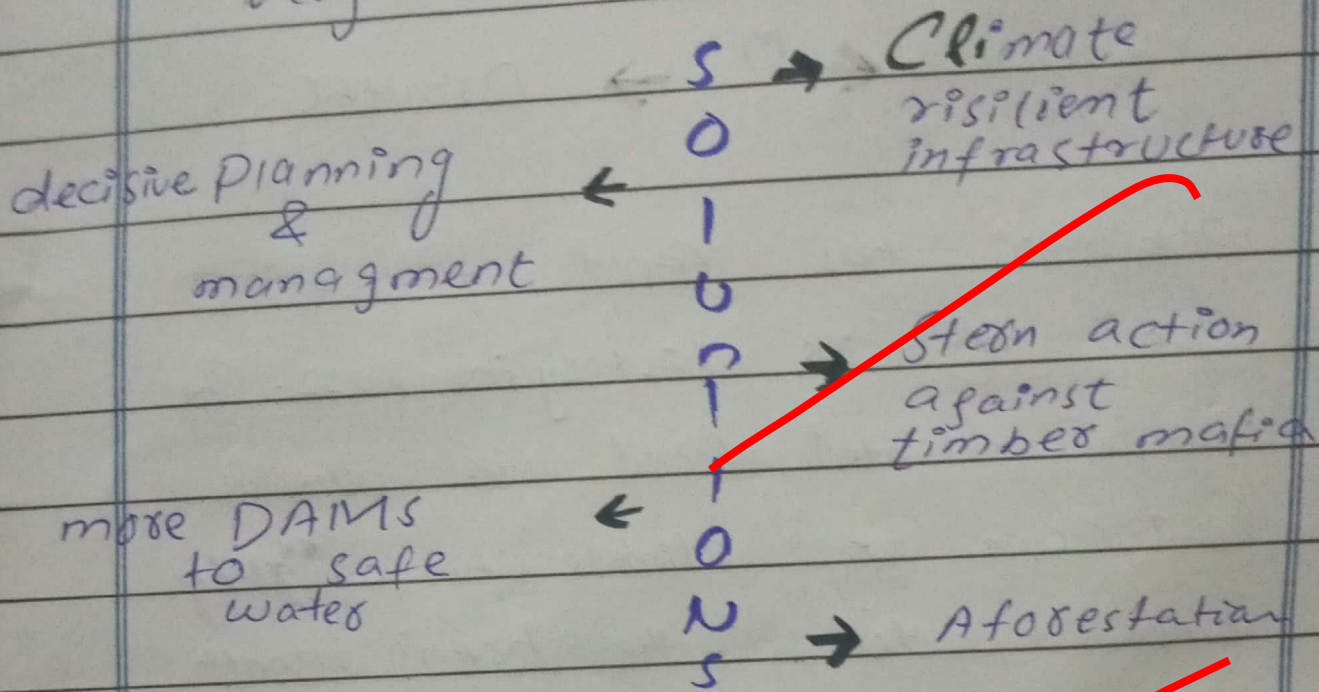
Pakistan has faced the worst flood of its history in 2022. The unprecedented flood was the outcome of climate change. **July** was recorded as the hottest month of the year 2023.

**The New York Times** Pakistan, has suffered with high temperature which resultant in low yielding in the **"agriculture sector"**. **crops failure** became a huge issue.

**Smog** is now a days, most discussing issue in Pakistan. According to

**DAWN news** "Pakistan is considered as the most popu polluted country after india, Bangladesh & Nepal."

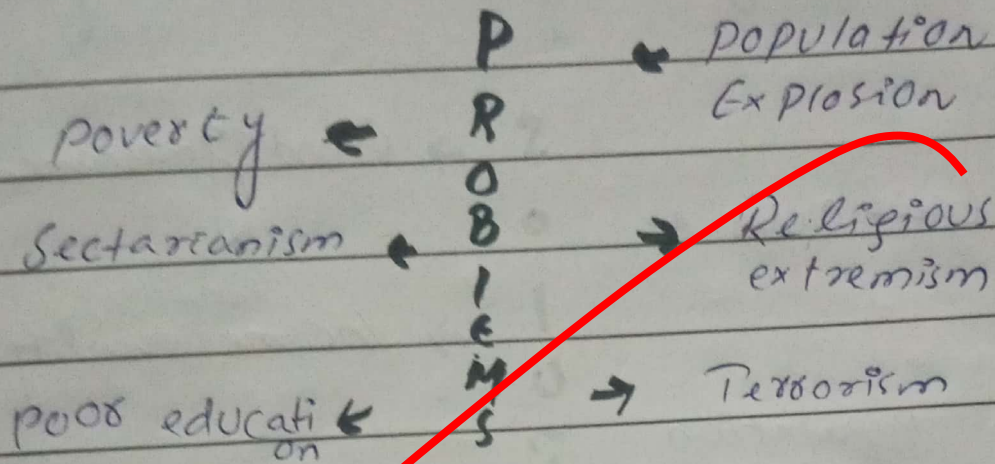
According to some Meteorological  
estimated reports internationally  
"2024 winters would become  
very harsh"



Multiple actions & multiple  
Plans are required to mitigate  
the issues and reshape the  
future.

Prevailing demographic  
issues & their future  
prospects in Pakistan

These are multiple demographic challenges which obstructs the economic development in Pakistan



These above mention Problems are serious to address.

### Some facts:

about 25m people are living below poverty line in Pakistan

World Bank Report 2022

more than 23 million child are out of schools

ESP - (2021-23)

Pakistan population in 2023

estimated at 289m which was

previously recorded 223m in the

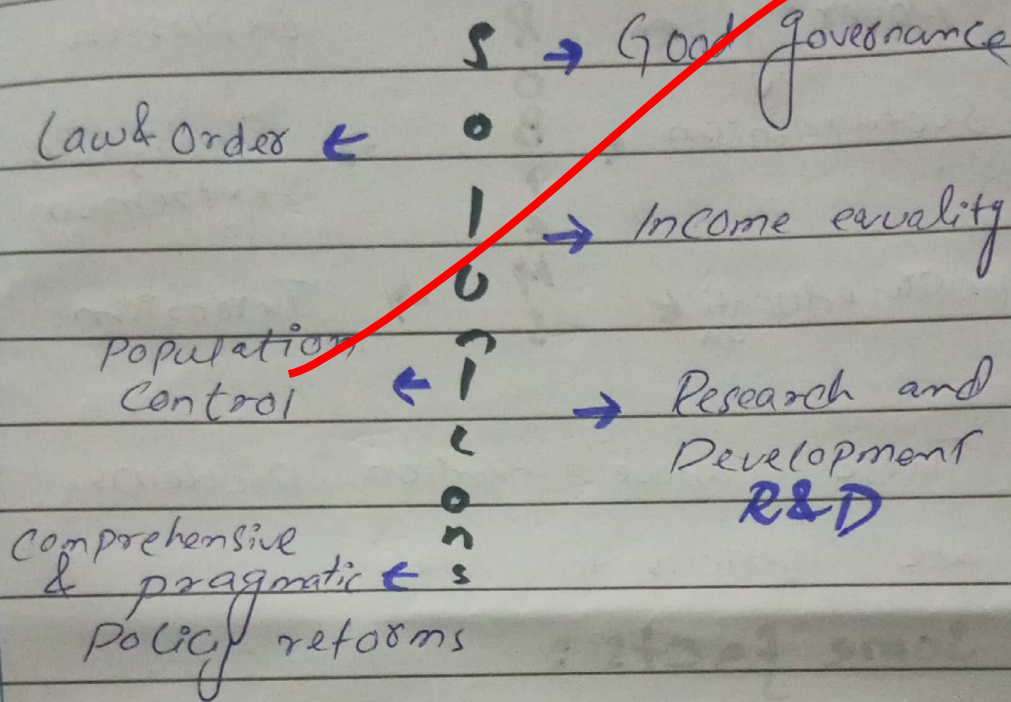
last census in 2017.

ESP (2022-23)

# "Terrorism resurgence in

Nov 2023 recorded as the highest in previous 3 past years."

(Institute of Conflict & Security Studies)



## Conclusion

Undoubtedly, Pakistan is suffering from multiple crisis. However, with me believe that nothing is impossible in the world, it can get out of these problem. In a nutshell, stern action and clear & strong policy reforms are required to tackle the issue.