

Q No 2 Taiwan is a potential conflict bet. West China and USA. Critically evaluate and why and how the two countries must avoid the conflict.

Introduction:

Taiwan is a potential conflict between China and USA. Both countries want to influence over Taiwan. The US support Taiwan's independence and has very strong ties with Taiwan. While, China considers Taiwan its territory. Taiwan is very important for both countries. Taiwan is the home to some of the leading ^{technological} companies and USA often sends its mobile chip there for research. China wants to secure its maritime transit routes and reduce the influence of the USA. Taiwan is a significant bone of contention between two countries. Therefore, it is need of an hour to avoid conflict between USA and China.

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Geography of Taiwan and its importance for the US and China:



Taiwan is located 130 km from China. It is a mixture of Chinese and Japanese culture but its political ideologies are aligned with the USA. A part

From its strategic location, Taiwan is rich in natural resources. This island is also renowned for its technological advancement, particularly in semiconductor research and development. Many US companies rely on Taiwan for chip. While China uses the maritime route near Taiwan for trade.

US-China growing tension over Taiwan.

(1) One China Policy:

(9) China claims over Taiwan as its territory on the basis of its history and considers the breakaway province of it. On the other hand, USA has "strategic ambiguity" adhering to one China Policy. Simultaneously, USA is providing arms and weapon through sale to Taiwan.

(2) Both countries want to control Maritime Route.

China wants to

route with Taiwan. Because, Taiwan is full of natural resources, and other China's prime motive is South China Sea, China wants full control of South China Sea. On the other hand USA also want to assert its influence by making alliances like QUAD.

How to avoid conflict between USA and China:

The conflict between these two countries can be avoided by taking these measure.

(1) Accepting the sovereignty of the Taiwan:

..... Firstly, USA must clear its **strategic ambiguity** and accept Taiwan as a sovereign state. While China withdraw its claim on the basis of its history.

There are many countries, they separated from each

despite of their common history.
For instance Pakistan and Bangladesh.
China must accept Taiwan as an
sovereign state.

(2) USA must understand that
Unipolarity day has gone and
Now, Multipolarity is emerging:

USA has to
keep one thing in its mind
that Unipolarity is no ~~long~~
more, every state is sovereign,
and has right to take decision
about their people. USA should
not interfere in other's countries
affair and donot assert its
policies through organization

(3) USA and China should
focus more on their bilateral
trade:

USA and China should
make stronger ties through
trade. They consider each
other their hostile owing
to technological advancement

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It will be better for both countries to do trade on semiconductor to avoid conflict.

Conclusion:

Taiwan is a bone of contention between these two countries. Both countries has their strategic interest over Taiwan. Owing to this, the potential conflict is growing between them. Both countries conflict can be avoided by accepting Taiwan as sovereign state and by putting an end to unipolarity and increasing bilateral trade or particularly in semiconductor.

Q No 2

Pakistan successfully conducted SCO conference in Islamabad. Critically evaluate structural reforms in the major takeaway for Pakistan what measure would you recommend Islamabad to follow?

Introduction:

The successful hosting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) in Islamabad marks a significant milestone. There are many take away for Pakistan, it has improved Pakistan's standing in region, the incoming of Indian Foreign Minister, economic opportunities security and counterterrorism, soft power and cultural image. On the other hand, Pakistan must ^{be} leverage from this moot, design policies to make its standing more viable.

Major take-aways for Pakistan:

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(1) Enhanced Pakistan's standing in regional engagement:

The SCO conference allowed Pakistan to strengthen its diplomatic ties with member countries, particularly China and Russia, while exploring new avenues with Central Asian countries. However, Central Asian countries already expressed their interest in SIFC before SCO. e.g. Azerbaijan has invested \$2 billion. The overall impact of SCO, Pakistan has enhanced its standing in the region.

(2) The second most important takeaway for Pakistan is Foreign Direct Investment. The Saudi Arabia is also expressed to invest \$2 billion in Reko Diq. It is a good for Pakistan, Pakistan has been striving for FDI through platforms

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like SIFC.

(3) Pakistan and improve their

India's ties

in the region

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(4) Security and

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opportunities

Summit

like SIFC.

- (3) Pakistan and India should improve their ties:

Pakistan and India's ties are major obstacle in the regional connectivity. Both countries oppose each other at various platform. For instance, India resisted the happening of **SAARC** in 2016. The coming of Indian Foreign Minister this time is a feat for Pakistan. This may improve ties between both countries which ultimately lead to prosperity.

- (4) Security and Counterterrorism.

Pakistan has been grappling with separatist movement. For example, the violent movement of BLA in Balochistan. Similarly, in Iran has so, It is a good opportunity through SAARC summit to counter terrorism.

extremist movement. The one of SCO's objective is aligned counter terrorism. For instance, Regional Anti Terrorist Structure (RATS)

Recommended Measure for Islamabad:

(1) Strengthening Economic Diplomacy:

Pakistan must its strengthening its diplomatic ties with member countries. Pakistan persuade them to invest in SIFC which is a open window opportunity.

(2) Enhance Security cooperation with SCO-RATS:

Pakistan should focus on to mitigate regional terrorism threats, Pakistan should deepen its involvement in the SCO's-RATS structure. Increase participation in intelligence sharing, training and operational exercises would strengthen's

Counter terrorism and regional stability.

(3) Starting trade in regional currencies:

This was suggested by China and Russia, the SCO countries should trade in their currencies. It is a time for Pakistan to start trading by mutual swapping of currencies.

(4) Expanding Educational and cultural Exchange

Islamabad could leverage soft power by offering scholarship and cultural exchange program for student and professionals from SCO countries. This will strengthen people to people contact and ultimately lead to unlock tourism in northern part of the country.

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The conference has presented Pakistan with opportunities to advance its economic, diplomatic and security objective within the SCO Framework. By actively implementing these measures, Pakistan can translate diplomatic successes into tangible long-term gains.