

Q. No 4

Answer

Introduction

Pakistan's economy is in fragile situation. There are multiple factors that are responsible for weakening the economy of Pakistan. One of the major reasons is structural issues. Pakistan's economy needs structural reforms in agriculture, industry, IT, power sector and tax system of Pakistan.

Agriculture Sector

Agriculture sector is called as the backbone of Pakistan's economy. But, unfortunately, its share in gross domestic product has declined from 60% in 1960's to 24% in 2024.

Irrigation system Defects

Although, Pakistan irrigation system is renowned as one of the best irrigation system

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in the world. But, despite its approximately 40% of water is lost during supply to crops.

Water Stressed Pakistan

World Bank report 2023, placed Pakistan in water stressed countries. In such daunting situation 40% water loss cannot be borne.

Fertilizer Crisis

Pakistan has only one fertilizer manufacturing industry. Pakistan has to import fertilizers to fulfil its need. Per bag price of fertilizer is about **Rs. 5500**.

Poor farmers are unable to afford it.

Lack of Mechanization

In Pakistan, farmers are not using state of the art machines that is reducing per acre yield in Pakistan.

Pakistan can ramp up agriculture productivity by adopting structural reforms

Consolidate
small land
holdings



irrigation reform

Promote Mechanization

Irrigation Reforms

In order to improve it,
Pakistan needs to adopt

Drip irrigation

Sprinkle irrigation
system

Drive up Mechanization

There is a dire need
to mechanize the whole agriculture
sector of Pakistan. For this purpose,
government needs to provide tractors,
harvestors, threshers, etc at low
rates with subsidies.

Consolidate lands

According to agriculture
experts, about 9 million farmers
hold less than 12.5 acres of
land. There is need to consolidate
fragment pieces of land in order
to ease mechanization.

Industry Sector Reform,

Establishment of Industrial Banks

Although, industrial sector banks exist in Pakistan. But, new banks are need of hour. Industrialists are compelled to borrow loan at high interest rates of 21%. from commercial banks due to ineffectiveness of already established industrial banks.

High Electricity Prices - Industrial decline

In Pakistan, industrial sectors are under deep water due to high electricity prices. As per unit electricity is Rs. 65, highest in South Asia, 3rd highest in world.

The prices should be lowered to ramp up industrial productivity

lifeline
Electricity → Industry

IT Sector

Encourage IT Startup

Pakistan has to promote IT start up culture in Pakistan to harness the potential of youth bulge. According to Ministry of IT, about 25000 IT professionals are graduated every year in Pakistan. But, they lack IT platforms to initiate IT work.

Un-interrupted Internet Supply

Pakistan has severe issue of internet disruption. In 2024, about 3bn\$ are lost due to internet disruptions. Pakistan has to do agreements with China, USA etc in internet infrastructure.

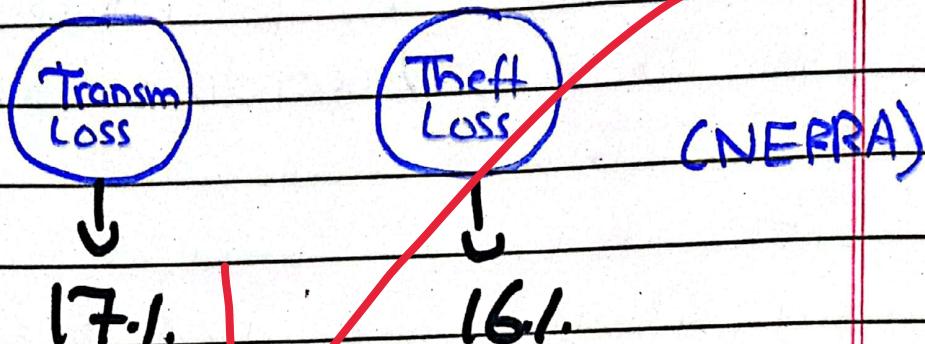
Power Sector

Re-Negotiate IPP's Agreement

Pakistan's energy sector is weakening due to the burden of IPP's agreements. Pakistan

- has initiated the negotiation process in 2024, to end deadliest conditionalities.

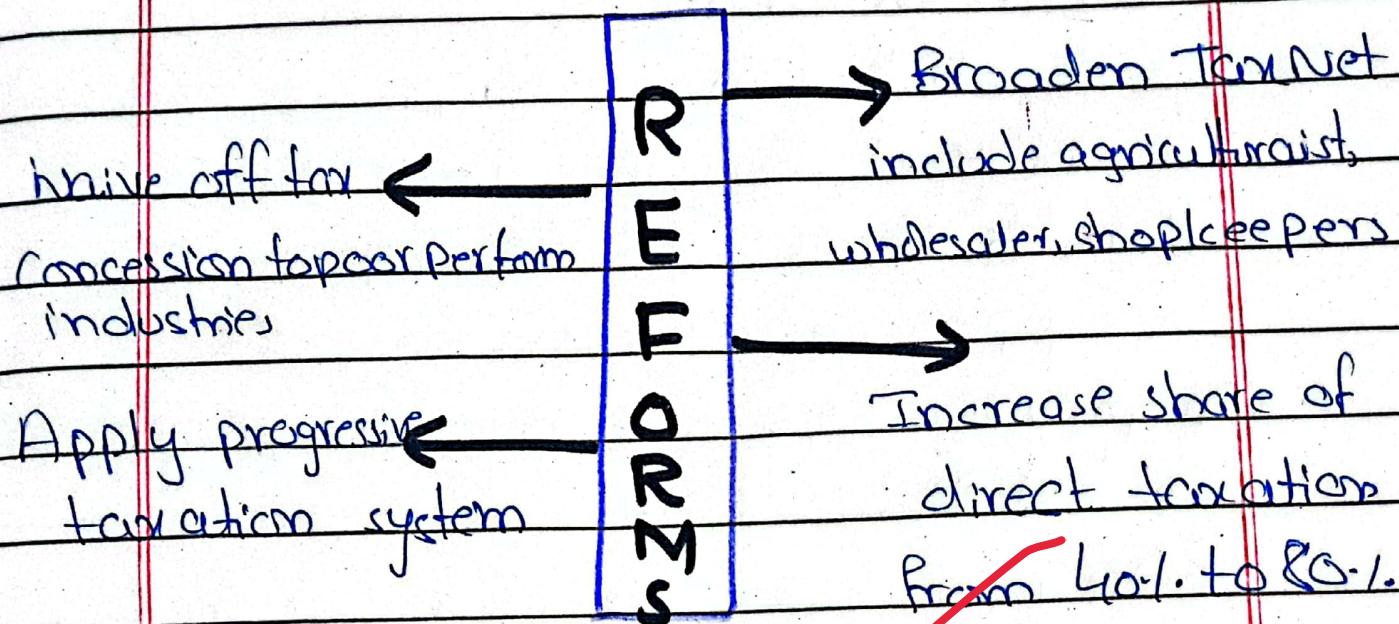
Reduce Transmission Losses And Power Theft



For countering it, punitive punishments should be given to those involved in theft. Improve transmission infrastructure to reduce Tf. loss.

~~Tax System~~

Pakistan has worst taxation system in world. It is burdening those who are already paying tax instead of taxing untaxed segment.



Conclusion

Structural reforms in the key sectors of Pakistan can save it from the brink of destruction and re-ruled the de-mailed economy of Pakistan

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Q No. 6

Introduction

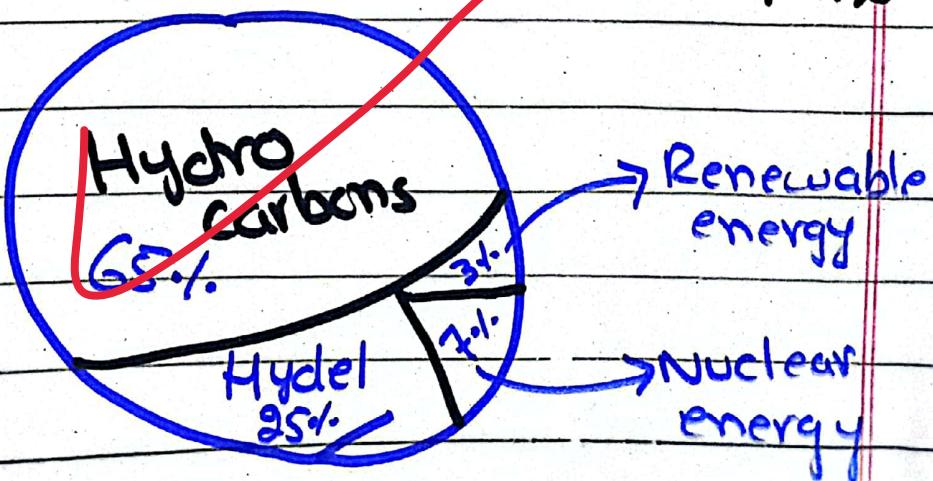
Pakistan's energy sector is hanged by the thread. Its condition is deteriorating with every passing year, instead of improving. However, by adopting a holistic and prudent energy policy, Pakistan can cut the gordian knot of energy crisis.

Issues of Energy Sector

1) Hydrocarbon's dependency

Pakistan's energy mix is highly dependent on hydrocarbons, especially imported fossil fuels.

Ministry of Power Report of Energy Mix



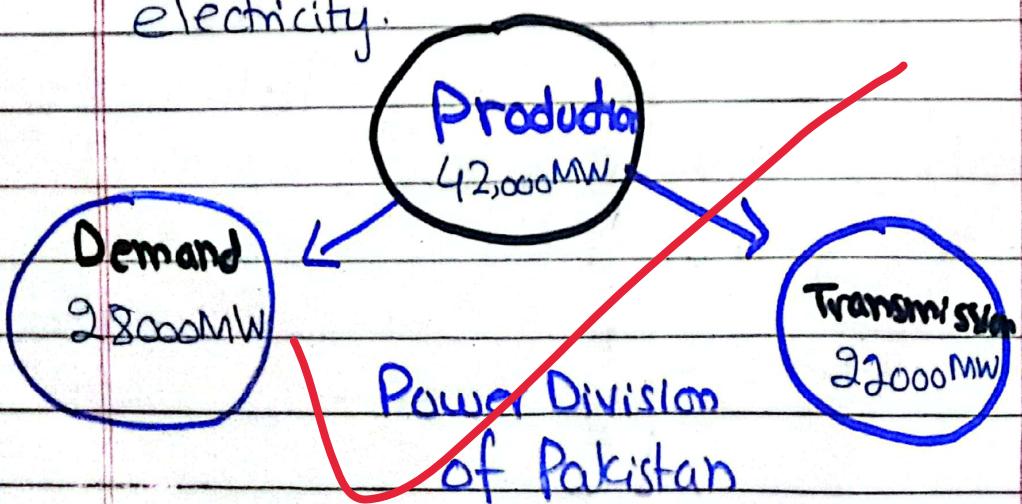
According to Economic Survey of Pakistan, fossil fuel imports costs Pakistan about 20-22 bns annually.

Transmission And Distribution Losses

According to NEPRA, approximately 17.1. transmission and distribution losses are bore by Pakistan annually. While, in countries like India, Bangladesh, it is less than 5.1.

Low Transmission Capacity

Another important issue of Pakistan's energy sector is low transmission capacity of electricity.



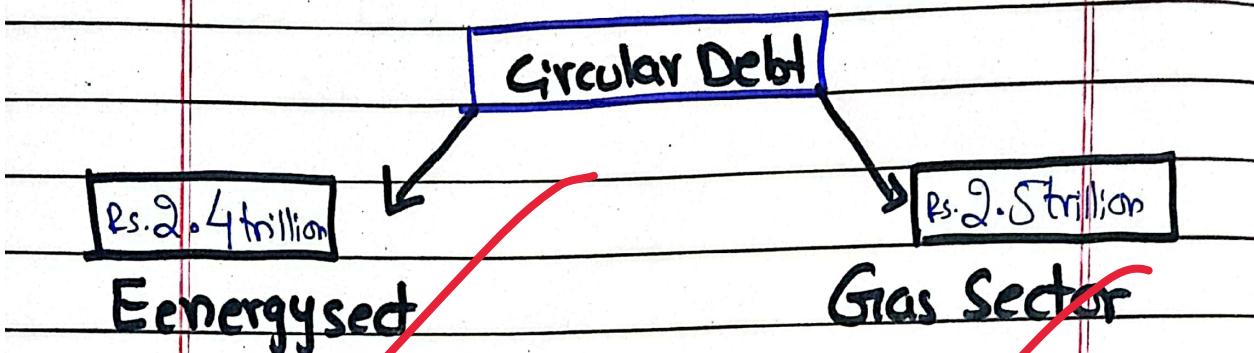
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Circular Debt

Pakistan is facing a huge volume of circular debt.

This debt is cutting the roots of energy sector.

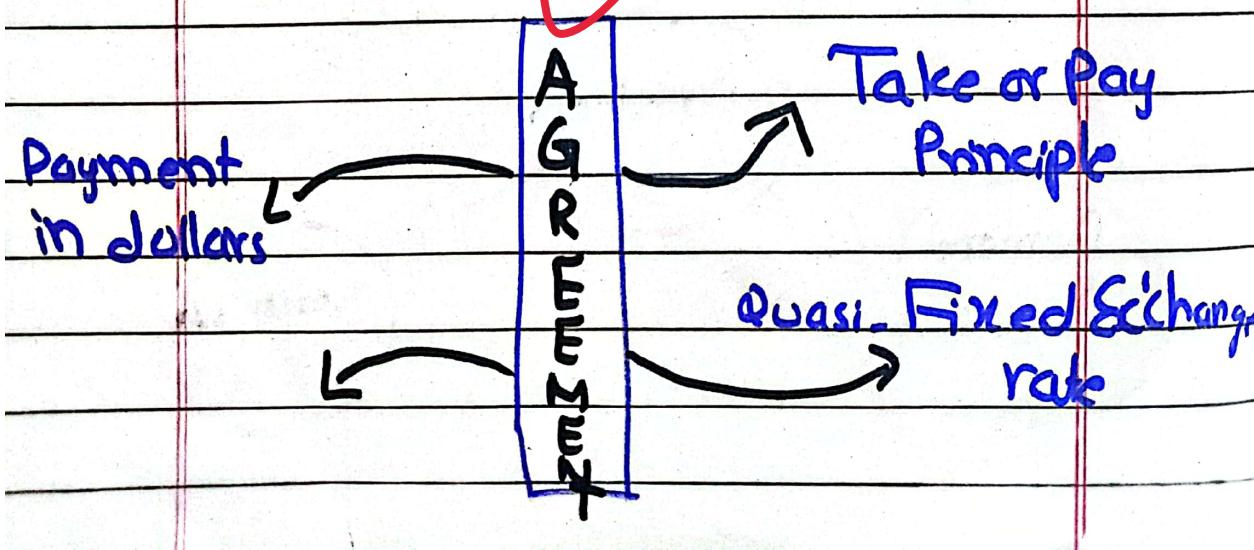
According to Power Ministry,



Agreement with IPPs

IPPs have become the ghost for Pakistan's economy.

1994, 2002, 2013 IPPs have done a great damage to Pakistan.



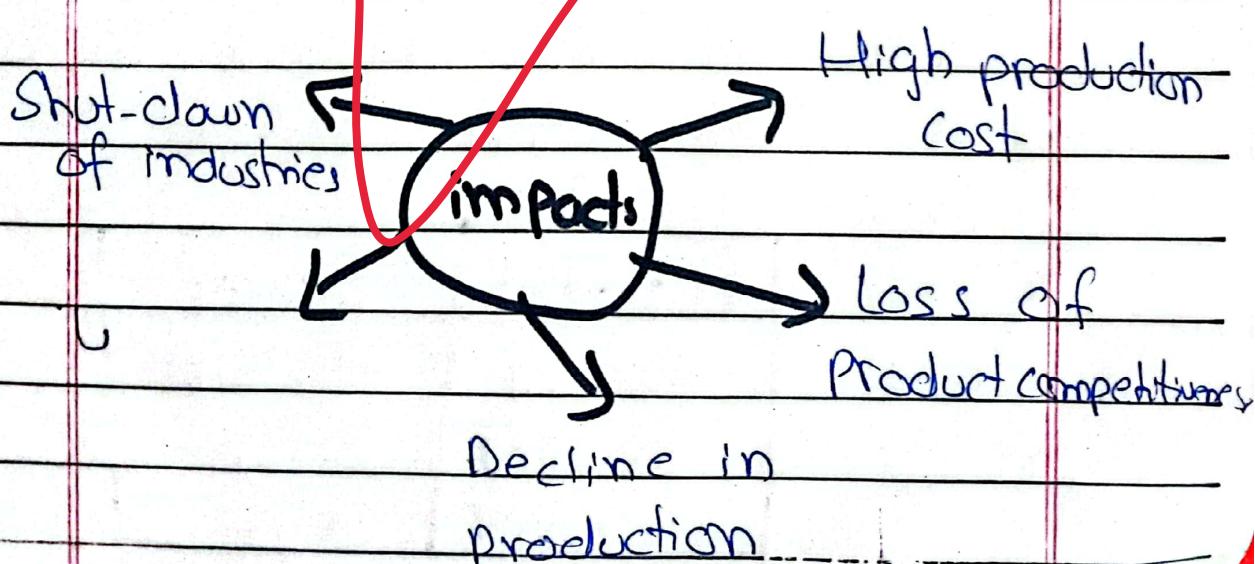
Implications

Agriculture Sector

High electricity prices are impacting the mechanization in agriculture sector. Moreover, it has raised the prices of fertilizers to Rs. 5500 per bag.

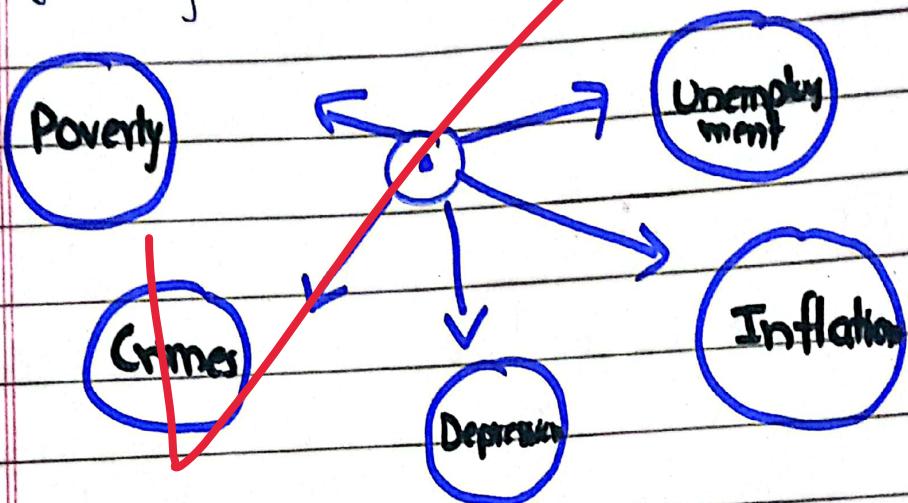
Industry

Industry sector is worstly affecting due to energy crisis. According to experts, about 200 companies have ended their working system in Pakistan in 2023 due to unbearable electricity prices hike.



Domestic Sector

Domestic sector is also severely affecting due to energy issues. They are facing multiple issues:



Recommendations

→ Shift to Renewable Sources

There is crucial need to shift Pakistan energy mix. Pakistan has huge potential of renewable energy

Potential	Sources
60 GIN	Hydro
50 GIN	Solar
40 GIN	Wind

To Harness it

Invest on building wind turbines

Establish solar parks

Construct large and small dams

Invest in Transmission Sector

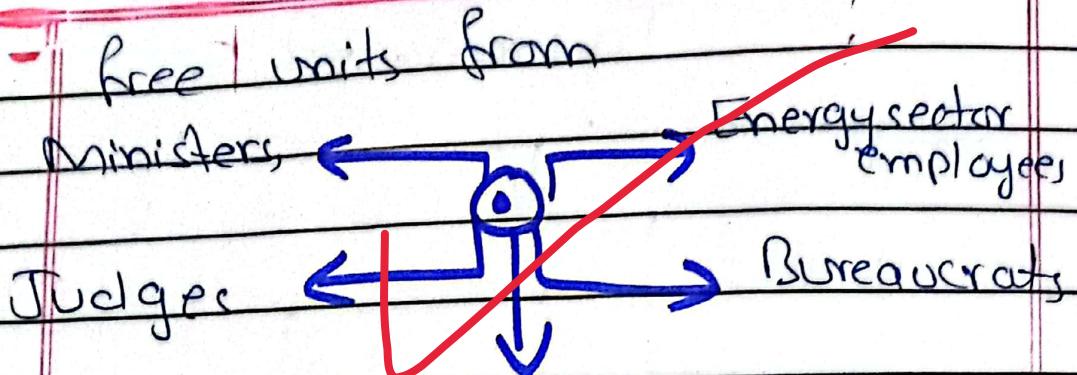
In order to reduce transmission losses, Pakistan should sign deals with foreign countries in improving transmission sector infrastructure.

End Friendship with IPP's

- Re-negotiate IPP's agreements.
- Shut down IPP's working under capacity
- Replace Take or pay with Take and pay principle
- Introduce accountability mechanism

Withdraw Free Energy units

It is necessary to withdraw



Head of the State and Government

Conclusion

~~Pakistan's energy sector is the life line of Pakistan's economic progress. To revitalize, this sector, rational decisions are need of hour.~~

Discuss all parts equally
Improve length

Q No. 2

Introduction

Taiwan has remained a bone of contention between USA and China. US, unconditional support for Taiwan, is deteriorating US-China ties economically, diplomatically, and socially. The issue of Taiwan's exists is worsening with every passing year.

Taiwan's Significance



Taiwan is known as the hub of **Semi-conductors**. It is a great blessing for Taiwan. Approximately, 92% of global semi-conductors exports are being done from Taiwan.

Semi-conductor is called the lifeline of electronics and machines.

USA and China's economy

USA and China's economy are highly dependent on Taiwan due to semi-conductors dependency. Approximately, **\$4 trillion** of ^{USA} Pakistan's economy is reliant on semi-conductors. Similarly, more than 4trill\$ of China's economy is associated with Taiwan.



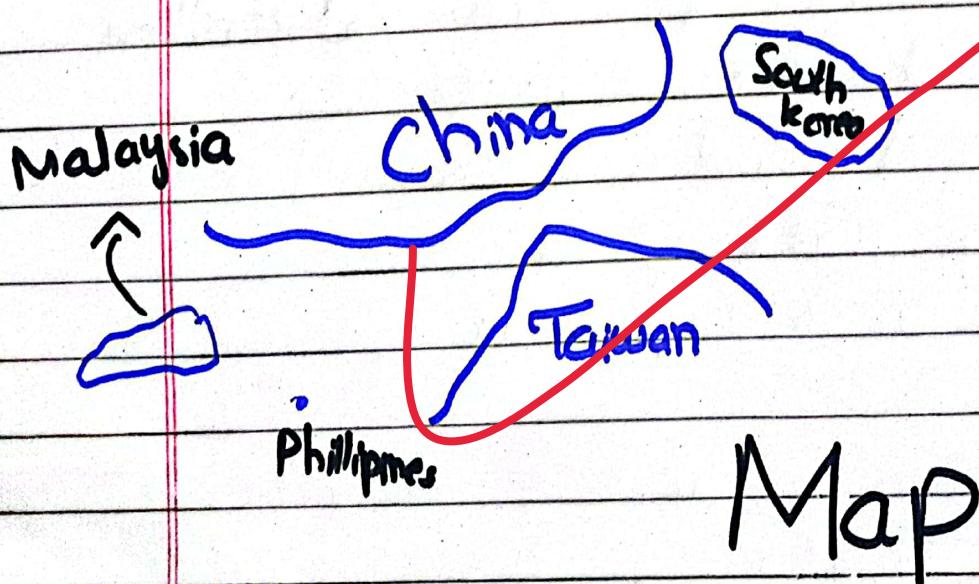
Taiwan strait is of immense importance. It connects Taiwan to Middle East.

Europe, Asia etc. USA doesn't want that China gets the control of this strait.

Reasons of Conflict

China's Claim on Taiwan

Taiwan is an autonomous territory in China like Tibet. China claims Taiwan as its integral part. According to China, Taiwan falls under the **9-dash line** boundary of China. So, Taiwan cannot be separated from China.



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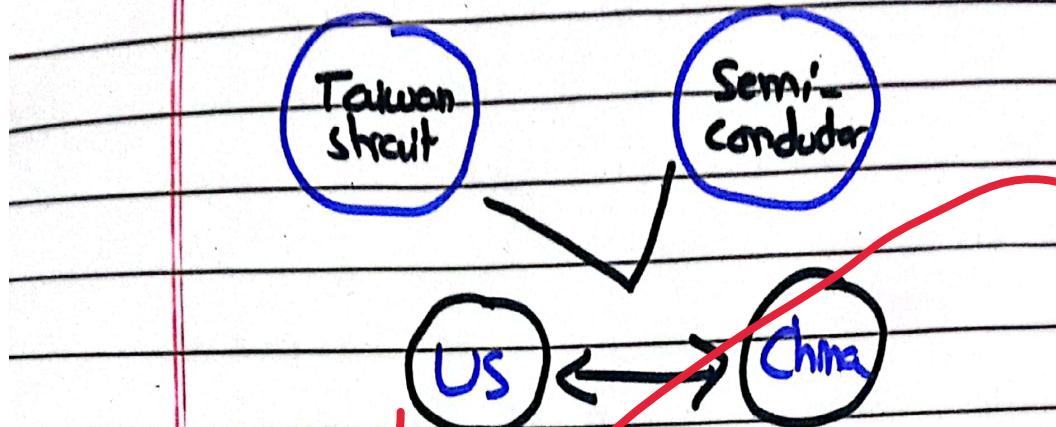
US support Taiwan stance in this conflict. Taiwan claims itself as an independent state having its own government. If does not consider itself as part of China.

USA does not accept China's one policy. Because, due to it, China's influence over the world will increase and US will be pushed in daunting situation.

Neither US nor China want to lose Semi-conductor and marine trade route

China and USA have their interest in Taiwan. Both of them don't want to lose Taiwan and

its potential resources - semi-conductor and strait of Taiwan.

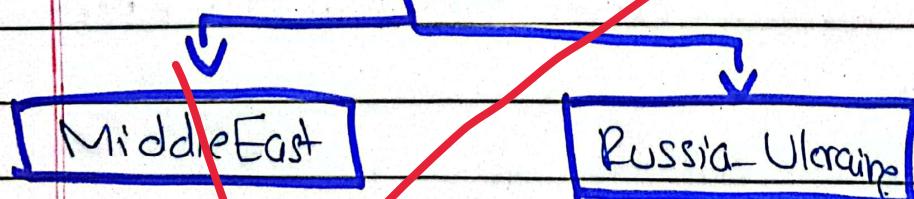


Implications of Conflict

Threat to World's Peace

Taiwan crisis is, no doubt, pose a major threat to world's peace. World cannot bear one more war zone.

War zones



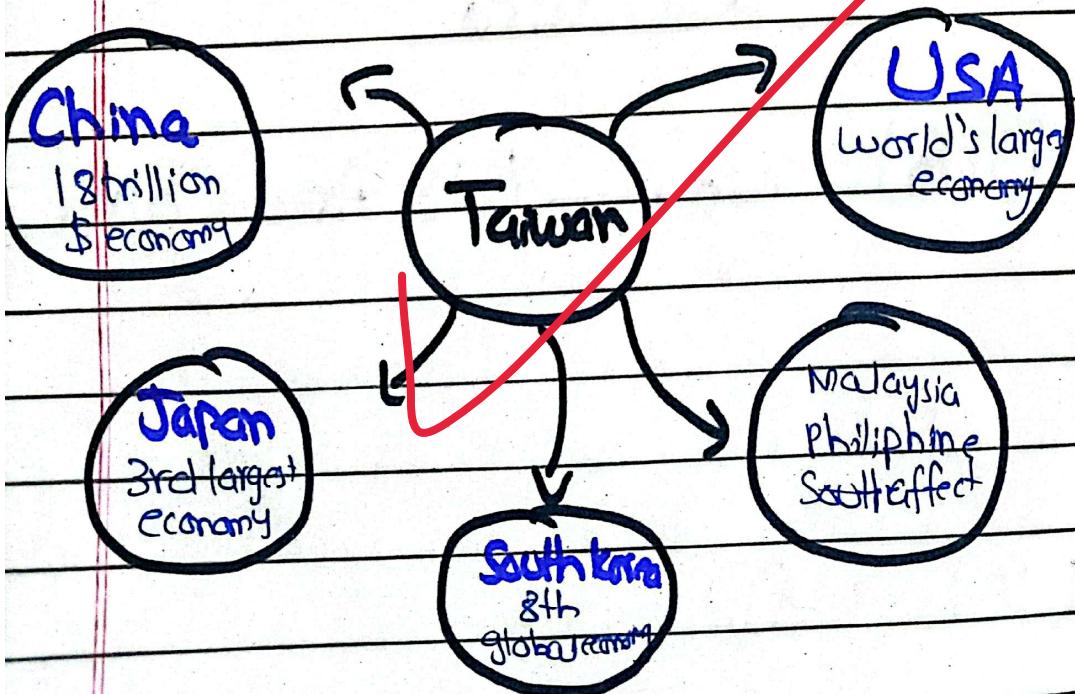
In 2024, a new president of Taiwan is elected. After

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elections result, USA convoy visited Taiwan to extend congratulations to newly elected President of Taiwan. China conducted two days drill in Taiwan strait to show Taiwan's its influence in the region.

Threat to Economic Powers

Moreover, if war breaks out in Taiwan, then it will become a major source of danger for world's economic power.



Danger to Innocent Lives

In case of war, large number of people may lose their lives. USA and China are nuclear powers of the world. During World war 1 and 2, approximately, 10 million had lost their lives.

If war happens, then the USA, China (world largest population) Taiwan's population will be under threat.

Solutions

Take headings from the question statement

→ Dialogue — US And China

China and USA should conduct a joint dialogue to resolve this issue and protect the world from a new war zone.

→ UN Role

UN should intervene in this matter to prevent any sort of war escalation.

China-Taiwan Consensus

China and Taiwan should mutually decide the fate of Taiwan. It should decide that whether Taiwan becomes an independent state or part of China with collaboration and consensus.

Conclusion

Taiwan is a bone of contention between USA and China. It needs to be resolved to protect the world from the danger of a nuclear war.

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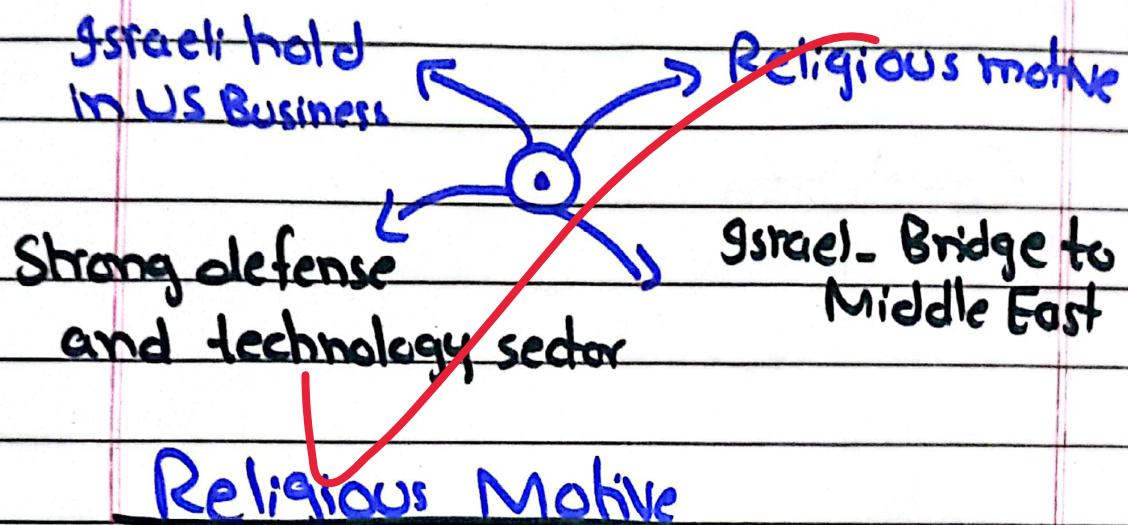
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Arab-Israel war has turned into a new shape after 7 Oct invasion of Palestinians on Israel. In this war USA is providing unconditional support to Israel in Middle East.

It is impacting US-Arab relations and has created a vacuum in

in Middle East, which is being filling by US's anti states; China and Russia.

Reasons of US Support for Israel.



Most of the population of USA belongs to the Christianity; religion. Christian calls Israel the birth place of their religion.

So, the hearts of USA residents pumps with the hearts of Israelis.

Israeli Dominated in US Business

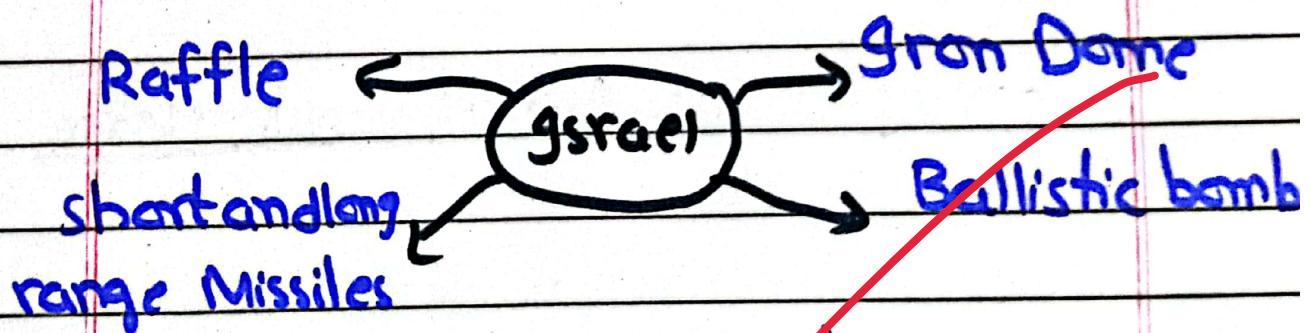
Israelis are known as startup nation due to their innovative and creative business ideas and initiatives. Many

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Israeli companies are operating in USA like Coca Cola. These are the source of revenue and employment for USA. So, USA supports Israel in every war front to keep its relations strong with Israel.

Israel Defense And Technology Strength

Israel has one the world's top class defense system. USA has assisted Israel to buildup matchless defensive system.



Moreover, Israel's progress in the field of technology has also brought it close to USA. Israel and USA are strengthening their ties with every passing year.

Gateway to Middle East

Israel is the gateway to Middle East for USA.

USA wants to maintain its footing in the Middle East by supporting Israel. Iran is the anti-west country of Middle East. While, ^{USA consider} Israel is the only country to counter Iran's influence in the Middle East.

Implications on US-Arab Relations

Portray US as Anti-Humanistic Nation

USA and its public unconditional assistance to Israel is portraying the negative image of it to the Arab world. As Arabs calls USA people anti-humanistic because USA is supporting Israel in the ongoing barbaric and bloodiest war between Israel and Palestine.

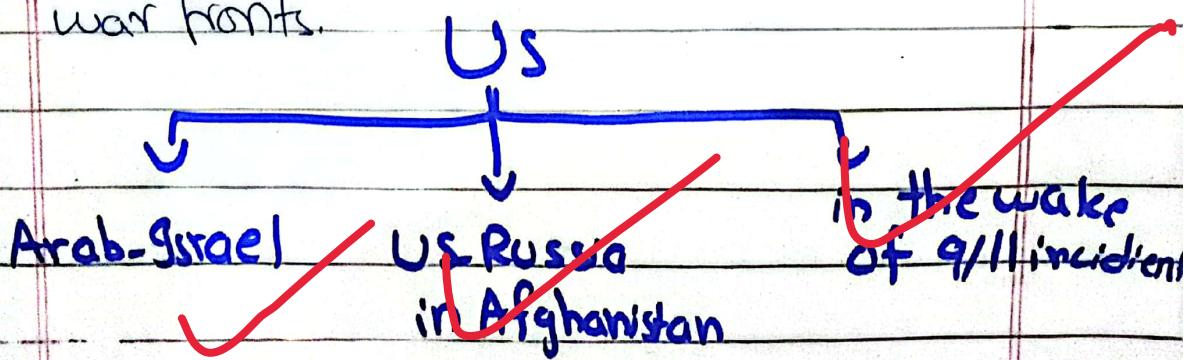
According to the **Palestine Media's report**, more than 95,000 Palestinians have lost their lives in the Gaza's war. While, millions of people are injured.

Despite the bloody baly in Gaza, USA's support for Israel is raising concerns in Arab World.

USA: A Peace Destroyer Country

Moreover, USA's image is also deteriorating as it is being viewed as a Peace destroying country. No doubt, the position of Israel in the ongoing war is strong because of USA military and economic aid.

USA has a long history of developing war fronts.



China And Russia Penetration in Middle East

China And Russia Stance on Gaza War

Both countries are advocating unequivocally to end this brutal war in Gaza. They are demanding a complete ceasefire and two-state solution for resolving this conflict.

China: Peace Broker Country

USA's focus is on Israel and bolstering its power in Middle. While, China is playing a soft game in the Middle East to strengthen its diplomatic and economic footing in Middle East.

2023 "Iran-Saudi Reapproachment"

is the self-evident example of China's peace developing policy in the Middle East.

Moreover, in ^{Sept} 2024, China has succeeded in bringing

all the factions of Palestine
on one platform, regarding
resolving the Palestine issue.
It is also a big hallmark
for China.

Russia - OPEC+ Nexus

OPEC has expanded
and become OPEC+. Russia
is one of the major power
holders in the OPEC+ platform.
Russia is doing agreements
with the Arab world to
strengthen its ties and portray
the world that US sanctions
have become meaningless in
this multi-polar world.

China's Economic ties with Arabs

China is extending
its economic ties with
the Middle Eastern countries.

Inclusion of Middle
East countries in
BRI Project



Good deal
with Iran

Biggest oil
importer of
Middle East

China Assistance to Saudi in
establishing Neom city

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Conclusion

USA's unconditional support
to Israel has intensified its
relations with the Middle East.

Moreover, it has created the
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current affairs
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