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Q2. Pakistan - Afghan relations continue to remain tense even... improved.

Introduction:

Pakistan and Afghanistan — the two brotherly nations — continues to experience tense relations. During their unstable ties, China acted as a mediator to settle down the flames; however, their ties still remains disturbed. There are certain major factors that has led to the status-quo. Nevertheless, certain decisive measures could help settle down the tensions.

Pakistan and Afghanistan: Tense Relations Between the Two

Pakistan and Afghanistan has a long history; sharing the same culture, ~~a long~~ history, religion and to some extent language. However, they have persistently experienced tense tensions and

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cordial relations, similar to a pendulum. Besides, recently the two projected hawkish approaches towards one ~~and~~ each other.

The Taliban Regime : 2021 Onwards

The Afghan Taliban took over Afghanistan in ~~an~~ the year 2021. Pakistan saw it as a dawn, but the following ~~preceeding~~ years the Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan recieved immense support from the Taliban Government in Afghanistan. As per a report, the Taliban Government provides financial support to families ~~of~~ of the TTP leaders. The families of the TTP leaders recieved 43000 \$ per month from the Afghan Taliban.

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Afghan Soil: A Medium to Attack Pakistan

The Afghan Taliban allows the TTP to use the soil of Afghanistan and they continue to attack Pakistan.

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Multiple terrorist attacks have been conducted inside Pakistan, having its roots in Kabul. Besides, the most vulnerable ^{area} ~~areas~~ ^{are} ~~is~~ KP and Balochistan.

The year 2021 has been regarded as the deadliest year in terms of terrorist attacks in Pakistan.

Pakistan's Response: A Decisive Approach

The Pakistani government continued to condemn the attacks carried out by the TTP using the Afghan soil. Each time, Pakistan showed contempt towards Taliban government for their inaction against the militant outfits. Besides, Pakistan also carried out airstrikes, destroying 18 terrorist posts in Afghanistan. Moreover, the repatriation of Afghan Taliban was yet another effort by the Pakistani government to help deter the looming terrorist threat.

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China's Leading Role: A Mediatory Effort

The ~~tensions~~ grave tensions between the two neighbours was followed by a trilateral meeting held in Beijing - where China acted as a mediator between the two. China brokered the ~~con~~ counter-terrorism talks between the two.

• Acceptance of the Government of Taliban in Afghanistan

Besides other discussions, the meeting revolved around the discussion that if Taliban shows zero tolerance towards TTP, its government is going to be accepted.

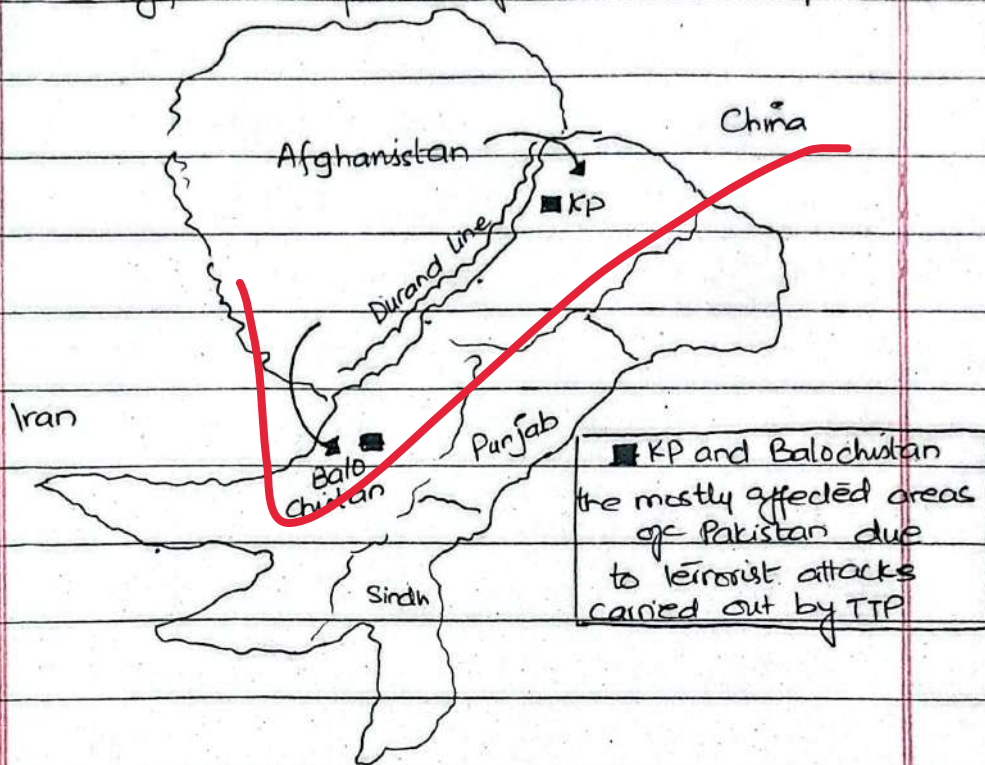
The Aftermath: A Failed Effort; Kabul's Inaction

The efforts of the ~~Gov~~ - China resulted in failure due to Taliban's inaction. Despite meetings, Taliban continued to support the

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the TTP, whereas they continue to pound Pakistan with terrorist attacks. Hence, wreaking havoc across the different parts of the country.



Major Factors : The Points of Disturbance Between the Two

The two has experienced multiple points of hindrances and unsettlements between them. The major factors between the two are mentioned below:

1. Durand Line:

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The Durand line is a 2000 km long border between the two neighbouring countries. The demarcation of the boundary had taken place after the independence. However, the Afghan ~~Tal~~ Taliban rejects the approval ~~of~~ rejects the acceptance of it. Hence, Durand line is one of the major point of contention between the two.

2. The Ties of India and Afghanistan:

Afghanistan has persistently shaken hands with India against Pakistan. India ~~acts~~ uses Afghanistan terrorist outfits in Afghanistan to ~~weaken~~ + dismantle Pakistan. Besides, as the tensions between the two surfaced, delegates of Afghanistan travelled to Delhi for a meeting. This further aggravated the issue.

3. The Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan: ~~Concu~~ A Major Conundrum:

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The TTP is one of the major cause of disturbed relations. It carries out terror attacks in Pakistan. However, despite Pakistan's condemnation, Afghan government continues to uphold the TTP leaders. As per a report, Pakistan and US had filed a complaint in UN, affirming that Terrorist groups operating from Afghanistan pose a serious threat to global peace.

4. The Big Mission: Afghan Refugee Repatriation

After persistent efforts of Pakistan to push Afghan government to halt terrorist attacks of militant outfits from Afghan soil on Pakistan, Pakistan started repatriating Afghan citizens in a non-harming way. Besides, it was held in phases. As per Dawn report, holders of Afghan citizen card (ACC) and Proof of Registration (POR) were estimated

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- around 1.3 million and 700,000 respectively.

5. ~~The~~ ~~See~~ Methamphetamine : The Smuggling Issue

There has been an increased production of methamphetamine in Afghanistan that leads to more smuggled increased smuggling to Pakistan, Turkey, Iran and beyond. Hence, this has also been one of the issues between the two.

Way to Improvement : Path to End Disturbance Between the two

Despite strained relations, the certain measures can help resolve the issue.

1. Revival of Trade: The Opening of Turkham Border

Trade ~~series~~ is one of an important aspect in relations between

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countries. The opening of the Turkham border would help continue trade smoothly and reduce inflation. Besides, it could help revive the lost soul of brotherhood between the two.

2. The Compromise and Action: ~~Not a~~ Quarrel but Bolstered Rhetoric

Both the countries could sit ~~as~~ together and come up with ^{resolving} actions rather than hawkish rhetoric.

Furthermore, path of temporary compromises could be adopted for which could then ~~be~~ + be a provision to permanent solution.

3. The Repatriation of Peace:

The repatriation of Afghan refugees should be safe and peaceful.

Furthermore, the Afghan and Pakistani government could together aid the refugees and lend them financial backing.

4. The TTP Issue and Resolution

Talks could be held with TTP leaders, where their demands could be heard. Besides, traditional methods like jirgas could help eradicate the threats that come across the border.

5. Filling the Porous Borders: ~~and~~

The porous border between the two could be filled/cemented in a way that no militant outfit enters Pakistani border. Besides, strengthening the military at the borders could help eradicate the threat.

Conclusion

Though Pakistan and Afghanistan experience strained relations, decisive measures can help bring ease in their disturbed bondages.

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Q4. There is a dangerous revival...
recommendations.

Introduction:

Pakistan has experienced a wave of resurgence ~~in~~ of militancy in the recent years. Unfortunately, KP and Balochistan are highly vulnerable and to the attacks held by the terrorist outfits. Their victimization revolves around reasons. There are certain reasons that has impacted the aggravated terror attacks in the region. However, certain limitations could help end the problem.

Revival of Militancy in KP and Balochistan:

KP and Balochistan are highly affected by the resurgence in terrorist attacks. Both of the precious cities of Pakistan lies in the western region of Pakistan. Towards

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their west lies the Afghan border which is highly porous. Also, Afghan Tehreek-i-Taliban operating from Afghanistan are used by non-state actors to dismantle Pakistan. As per IPRI report, the ^{BIA} ~~India~~ held the Jaffer express attack with the help of India. Furthermore, the year 2024 has been regarded as one of the deadliest year for Pakistan, showing ~~24~~ 27% increase in terrorist attacks.

Reasons of the Militancy in KP and Balochistan:

1. Terrorist Outfits Operating From Afghanistan:

KP and Balochistan are in close proximity to Afghanistan. They use the Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan to carry out militant operations in the regions of

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Pakistan, specially KP and Balochistan.

2. Non-State Actors: Aggression to Dismantle Pakistan:

The Non-state actors and foes of ~~the~~ Pakistan carry out attacks in regions of KP and Balochistan to disturb Pakistan. As per reports, ~~the~~ In India financially backs BLA (Baluch Liberation Army) in Balochistan to create internal chaos in Pakistan.

3. The Illiteracy Issue and Vulnerability:

KP and Balochistan experience high illiteracy rate in comparison to other provinces. Hence, the ~~can~~ poor people ~~are~~ victims to the foreign aggressors. They are, therefore, used against their nation.

4. The Grievances: Victim to Injustice

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One of the major issues is the internal discontent. Small groups take birth due to the dissatisfaction with the government. The violent revolutionaries further cause terror in these regions so that they could force the government for their desired demands. For instance, TLP carried out a rally against government. Their act of protest was more violent, which pushed the government to ban their party.

Recommendations: Deterring the Eminent Issue

1. Social Cohesion: Binding Force Against Threat

The social cohesion and unity could pave way to counter-terrorism in the region. Unity in between the people of different factions in KP and Balochistan could help bring peace in the region.

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2. Awareness Programmes: Online and Offline

Besides social cohesion, awareness programmes could protect ^{vulnerable} people from brain wash against Pakistan.

Furthermore, these awareness programmes could be online and offline to reach wider audience. Mainstream media and social media could be deemed useful in the effort.

3. Fencing of the Porous Borders:

Furthermore, fencing of the porous border between Pakistan and Afghanistan could help eradicate the threat of ~~the~~ terrorism in these regions.

4. The Revival of Trust Between Government and masses:

~~Further~~ Besides, building trust between the government and masses can help the ~~in~~ countering the birth of violent revolutionaries.

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5. Contonements on Outskirts of Cities

Moreover, building contonements on the outskirts of cities could strengthen the military at the borders. This way the terrorist outfits could be dealt with at the border boundaries.

6. Strengthening of the Education Sector:

Furthermore, working on the education sector can help increase literacy rate and protect citizens from falling victim to war usage in terrorist attacks against Pakistan.

Conclusion:

In a nutshell, KP and Balochistan face the militancy issue; however certain bolster efforts can help being mitigate the issue and alleviate the threat of terrorist, specially in Balochistan and KP.

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Qs. Trump once again ... world leader.

Introduction :

Trump ^{once again} took hold of the US Presidential office in the year 2025. However, as expected from him, he withdrew from the Paris Climate Agreement once again. Hence, his take deprived the world from a global leader's ^{effort} against the climate crisis. The world now has to act against climate change in the absence of a United States.

Climate Paris Agreement 2015:

The Paris Climate Agreement took place in the year 2015 in order to work unitedly against the threat of climate change. It provided a single platform for countries to go & work in unity against climate change and the conundrum it puts forward.

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President Donald Trump: Stance of Climate Change

President Donald Trump is believed to be an unpredictable president. In the Article "Dinos has an Elephant in the House", the Harvard Professor affirmed that the US President is very unpredictable. As true as he stated, soon the president withdrew from the agreement. In the UNCA, he affirmed that the climate change is a lie and it's just an absurd idea. Hence, he deprived the world of a global leader in efforts to contain climate change.

Future Efforts: Deterrence of the Threat of Climate Change

China as the Emerging Leader:

China has been recently involved in bringing together Eurasian countries. China US withdrawal from

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the Paris Agreement left a vacancy of leadership. China might avail the opportunity and step in to lead the world in this cause.

Role of Regional Organizations

The regional organizations might be more inclined towards climate change talks. As climate change is also a regional problem, the regions might experience connections in the coming years regarding efforts to deal with climate change.

A Boost to Climate Activism

Furthermore, climate activism might be boosted in order to help mitigate the issue. The world, through this, would learn how to function independently of the global powers.

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Conclusion.

In a nutshell, Trumps withdrawal from the Paris Climate Agreement is an alarming concern for the countries. However, the world is experiencing the emergence of China as a global leader, which might step in. Besides, other efforts might also be separately taken by nations to counter the threats posed by climate change.

Q8. Pakistan Saudi Arabia have signed... deal.

Introduction:

Pakistan and Saudi Arabia has signed a historic defense pact which revolves around some causes and implications for the region and beyond. The pact has had a huge importance for the it projects strength in today's current scenario of the world.

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II Pak-KSA Historic Defense Pact:

Pakistan and Saudi Arabia signed Strategic mutual defense agreement on 17th September, 2025 at Al-Yamamah Palace, Riyadh.

This is one of the most important agreement between the two. The core clause of agreement revolved around the idea that aggression against one will be considered aggression against both.

III Causes of the Defense Agreement Between the Two:

a) Enhance Security:

The defense pact between the two was aimed at enhancing security. Before the pact, Israel had attacked 6 regions in the middle east. However, attack on Qatar, an US ally in the gulf states, was the point where the security became

a prior concern.

b) Strengthen Joint Deterrence:

Besides, we both signed the pact to strengthen deterrence. Since Israel had the motive of 'greater Israel', Joint Deterrence would help contain the agenda. Hence, together they became strong against Israel.

c) Promote World Peace:

Furthermore, the pact also revolved around the idea of promoting world peace in times when it is enveloped by flames of wars — especially in Middle East.

d) Inaction of Arab-Islamic Summit:

This pact came right after the Arab-Islamic Summit. The Arab-Islamic summit resulted in inaction and mere rhetoric. Thus,

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It was followed by joint Pak - KSA defense pact which send a message of strength across the globe.

IV Implications of the Pact:

a) Implications for Pakistan:

(i) Security:

It was a first binding mutual defense treaty in decades. It also strengthened Pakistan's security against foreign aggressors.

Make elaborative headings

(ii) Economy:

Economically, it strengthened Pakistan as it secured Saudi investment and financial support amid fiscal strain.

(iii) Pan-Islamic Image

Furthermore, it reinforces image as a pan-Islamic security provider.

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(b) Implications for KSA and other Gulf States

Important Note:

Marks would be given on the following parameters

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For Saudi Arabia, it helps protection against Israel aggression. Furthermore it also adds to Gulf's evolving collective security architecture.

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Furthermore, it reduces over-reliance on US security umbrella. Moreover, it also bolsters shield against Iran

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threats. It also provides a possible template for defence pact with UAE and Qatar.

Give examples from present events to justify answers

Conclusion:

Give attractive introduction and Conclusion as well

The Defence Pact between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia holds immense

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importance for the duo. It not only strengthened them internally, but

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also send a strong message to the world and aggressors.

Good Luck