

Section - II (Current Affairs)

Q#2

Pak-Afghan relations

Continue to remain tensed - Major Causes and Way-Forward :

Introduction:

The relationship between Pakistan and Afghanistan continue to remain tensed after the Taliban-regime took hold of Kabul. China play their role as a great mediator with the Collaboration of Russia by making a Trio (Pak-China - Russia) and Pakistan is the head of this trio Commitment Collaboration. Against all these efforts, the relations between Kabul and Islamabad are Cold Cross-border terrorism, Continue Support of Taliban to internationally recognized terrorist organizations such as Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) backed by Al-Qaeda, increasing Warmth relations between Afghanistan and New-Delhi.

• Sent back of refugees (Afghan refugees) to Afghanistan by Pakistan, and disuse of indentitism are all major factors of tensed relations between two neighbouring states. To overcome these challenges, there are some way-forwards such as: Taliban's strict action against Taliban, provide economic support through CPEC by China, Usage of advance technology for surveillance on Western border, Continue checking of terrorism incidents by International watchdogs are notable.

Major Factors of Cold relationship between Islamabad and Kabul:

① Cross-border Terrorism:

Balochistan and KPK are at the target by Afghan terrorist now a days. Data released by National intelligence department revealed the truth that rate of terrorist

attacks in 2025 are 50% more as compare to the previous 5 years. October-2025, when both these muslim nations are again in front of each other. Pakistan launch attacks near the Western border on the basis of retaliation against terrorism in Pakistan. Not only Civilians, but a large number of Security personals were died in the militan attacks by TTP in Pakistan.

② Continue Support By Taliban to militant

Groups:

These groups in Afghanistan having Safe Zones where they stretch their muscles. Afghan Taliban regime provide a Continue Support to them in the form of Weapons supply, logistic Support and shelter places. The prove of this statement is that there is a large number of

USA's Weapons that are now under the control of Taliban after the 2021 fall of Kabul. These weapons are used in various militant attacks in Pakistan.

③ Increasing Warmth relations between

Kabul and New Delhi

Recent Skirmishes between Afghanistan and Pakistan occurred during the visit of Afghan's foreign minister to India. India adopt the policy of "Soft power" to attract the enemy of their enemy. Pakistan's May clash with India namely "Operation Sandoor" by Delhi and "Operation Mark-e-Haq" by Pakistan intensify the hostile environment between two neighbouring states. That's why, now India is busy to add fuel on the already hostile relations between Afghanistan and India.

④ Sent-Back of Refugees by Pakistan:

Pakistan in 2025. deport millions of Afghan refugees. Some factors such as, burden on economy, terrorism, are stated by government to take this decision. But these Afghan people are living in Pakistan from almost 2 decades. On the other side, Afghan government is unable to bear the burden of million at once. This thing also tensed the relations between them. Pakistan, although, bear their burden from many years but it's a zero sum gain to calm the relations down between Afghanistan and Pakistan.

⑤ Dispute of Irreditism:

Afghan border dispute is not new between these two states but it's just like a seed that is sown by Red-clif. Afghanistan deny to accept it and from the very

beginning, thurt relations between Afghanistan and Pakistan were observed.

Way Forward³

Here are some ways to improve the relations between them:-

① Taliban's Strict action against militants on Afghan Soil.
Recent hostility (war) was stopped by mediation of Qatar. But this agreement will bring result if Taliban government left his hand against the back of militant groups. Strict actions will be required to dismantled TIP and other militant groups. Stop the supply of weapons logistic roads, relief shelter houses will be abandon on them. Although, ^{the} Taliban leader in Russia's meeting was make sure to not allow anyone to use Afghan soil for militancy in any state.

② Economic Support through CPEC by China:
Start some development projects in

Afghanistan through CPEC should help to control terrorist attacks in Pakistan. China need to provide technology to Pakistan for surveillance because, if Pakistan will never be able to stop terrorism, China, one day, will also be affected in the same way.

③ International Watch dog Investigation or a continue scouting by International Watch dog should help to melt the ice between Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Conclusion:

There are number of factors that act as barriers to intensify the hostile environment between these two states: Cross border terrorism, Continue support by China, Afghan Taliban to militant groups, Warmth relation b/w India and Afghanistan, Refugees resettlement and territorial dispute are countable. By taking strict actions against TTP or other Al-Qaida groups by Taliban

providing economic support and interfering of interstate relations between Islamabad and Kabul

Q#8.

Pak-Saudi Defence Pact: (causes and implications of deal)

Introduction:

Riyadh and Islamabad share a legacy of warm relations since the time of Independence. Recently on 17 September, 2025, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia signed a pact of Defence in Riyadh. The purpose of this deal is to defend each other against any state in case of any hostility. It is just like a NATO defence pact. Some major reasons that led to set this stage are: Attack of Israel on Qatar, Aggressive behaviour of genocide state of Israel that play a bloody war

in Palestine Since 7 October, 2023, Success
of Pakistan air force against India in
May 10, 2025 Conflict, both are muslim
states and the history in form of
"Khilafat movement" before independence are
Significants. Implication of deal is in
form of hand over the "duty of
protection" of the two holy cities of
"Makkah and Madinah" to Pakistan.

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Causes of Riyadh - Islamabad Defence Pact signed:

① Conflicts in the Middle-East:

Genocide in Gaza by a Zionist state
Israel disturb the peace of Middle-East.

A dead bloody war in Gaza by
Israel and attack of Israel on Qatar
in the name of attack on Hamas -

- leadership seeking refuge in Qatar, are
the alarming situation for all Arab
States. Israel's actions are not just
their own Causage but also backed

by USA not only in Gaza but USA is also aware already prior to attack on Qatar. Qatar and USA has warmth relations from past some decades. USA's largest air base is also present in Qatar. It means relay on USA for immunization of Zionist States acts is not a wisdom. That's why, Saudi Arab prefer to warmth their relation with Pakistan for defence purpose.

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Milestone achievement of Pakistan's military against India in May 18-Conflict.

On 10 May, 2025. A full fledge war between India and Pakistan attract the other countries especially muslim countries towards Pakistan because Pakistan in that conflict, achieve an internationally accepted victory. Foreign media especially the Newspaper "The Times" highlighted that victory as "Pakistan Air force - King of the Skies". This conflict

Proved the military capability of Pakistan.
③ Legacy of History:

Pakistan always has an excellent relation (between) with Saudi-Arab. It's not a temporary but a legacy of history when two states back to each other against any common enemy. "Khilafat movement" started by "Mullana Muhammad Ali Johar" to protect the Holy cities from British Colonization was a great example of brotherhood between these two nations.