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"Question 8"

I: Introduction : A Historic Pact

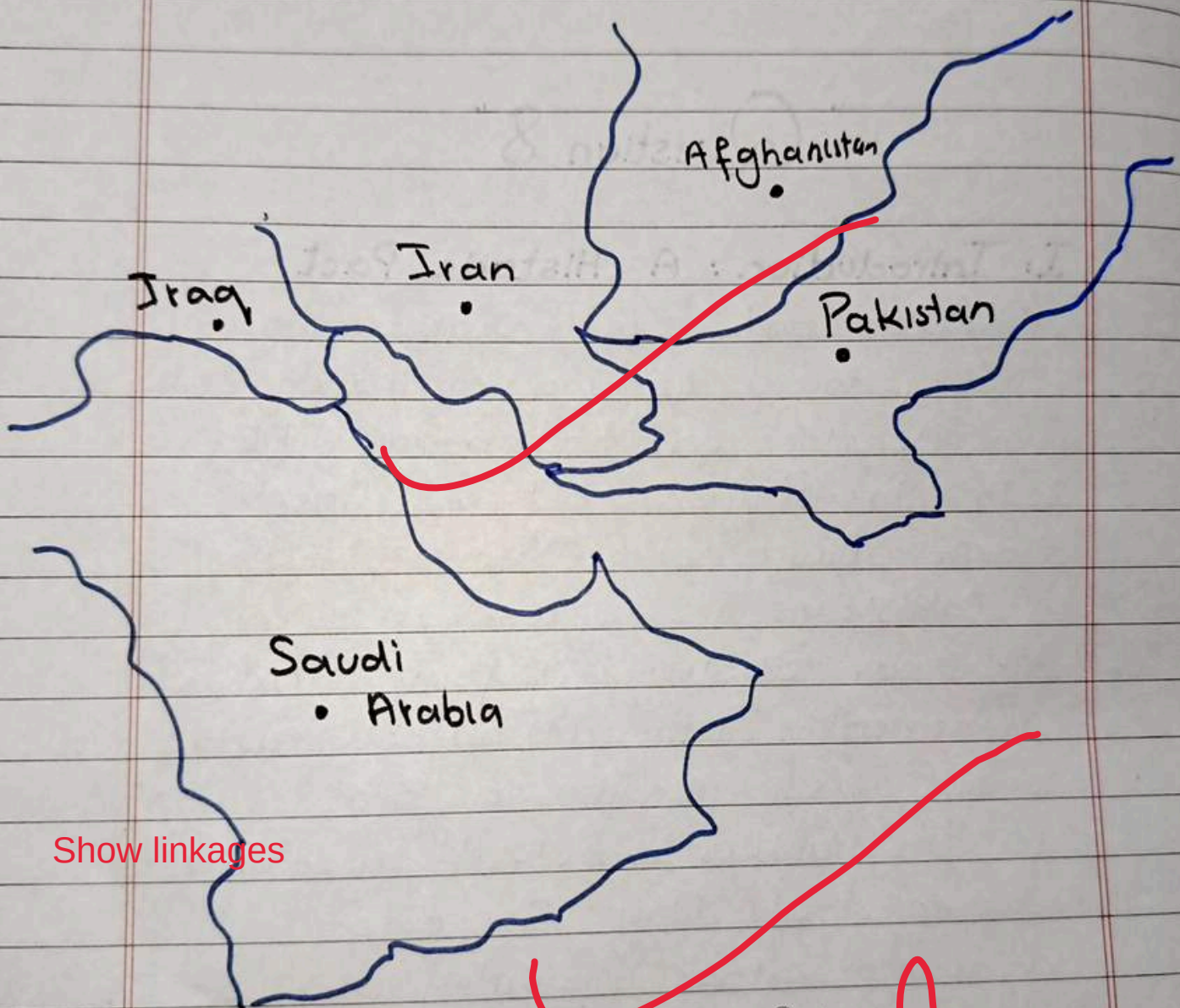
Pakistan and Saudi Arabia, in light of recent ongoing escalations came together on September 17th, 2025 in Riyadh between Saudi Crown Prince and Prime Minister of Pakistan. The agreement was titled as Strategic Defense Mutual Agreement. Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif met Mohammad Bin Salman for the historic mutual agreement stating that Any Aggression against either country shall be considered aggression against both. This pact acts as a shared commitment to security and peace, both regionally and globally. If any country makes a move against either one, it will be considered as an act of war.

This agreement mainly came into being after the reckless charge of Israel on the Middle East.

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II: Pakistan and Saudi Arabia - A Team of collaborative conjunction on the map



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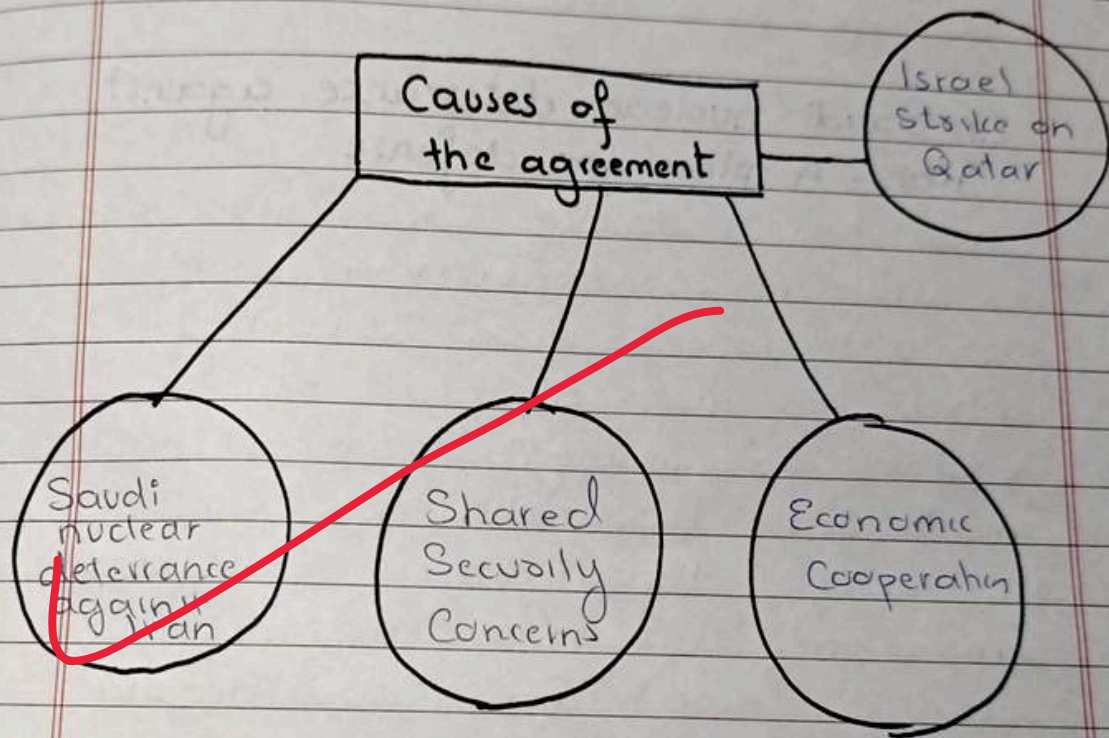
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III: Strategic Defence Mutual Agreement - A call for strategic Survival



(i) Regional Instability: The recent air strikes of Israel on Qatar

On September 9th, 2025, Israel carried out airstrikes on Qatar targetting Hamas leaders who were meeting to discuss a US-backed ceasefire proposal. The strike was a part of Israel's effort to dismantle Hamas's military capabilities and disoupt the leadership.

This agreement not only strengthens ties between Saudi Arabia and Pakistan, but also encourages cultural exchange, trade, military intelligence sharing and much more. This agreement has shifted the power dynamics of the Middle East and South-East Asia.

(iv) Shared Security Concerns, A strike to force India to think twice before acting.

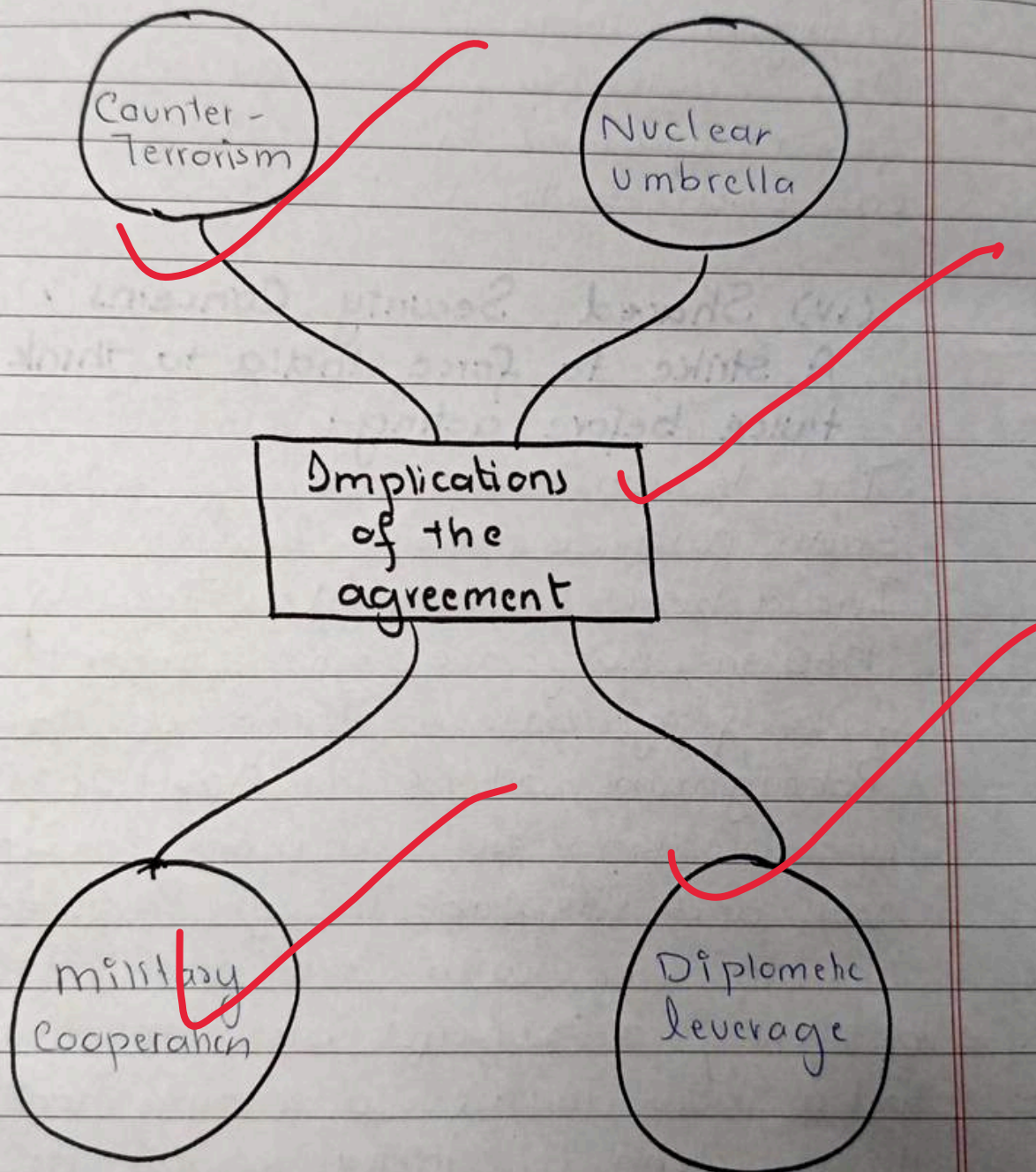
The tensions were rising within South Asia, especially when India held Indus Waters Treaty 1960 in abeyance given recent false flag attack known as the Peshawar attack in April 2025 and breaking out a war between itself and Pakistan. Though Pakistan won the war with zeal and zest delivering a powerful blow to make India bow down, something had to be done so India knows its place.

With this agreement, now India will dare think twice before launching an attack against the motherland of Pakistan.

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IV: Implications of the Pak-Saudi Defense Mutual Agreement - A Secure future



... "Aggression against one
is considered as aggression
against both ..."

(i) Nuclear Umbrella: An arch of Defense Shelter

Pakistan became a nuclear state on May 28th, 1998 when it conducted its first nuclear test Chagai-1 in Balochistan and since then possesses nuclear capabilities that most nations fear. With the help of this agreement, Pakistan's nuclear capabilities now extend to Saudi Arabia, providing a nuclear umbrella and enhancing regional security, peace and harmony through balancing power dynamics.

(ii) Military Cooperation - An exchange of might and intelligence

The pact institutionalizes decades of military cooperation. There would now mean exchange of personnel, joint exercises, joint military programs and joint operations. The

agreement has now opened a new door of exchange of weapons, trade and a nuclear shelter for Saudi Arabia ...

(iii) Seek relief and joint operations to Counter-Terrorism

The enhanced cooperation between KSA and Pakistan has now opened new doors to deal and counter terrorism and cybersecurity to be strengthened in the region.

(iv) Diplomatic leverage: A way forward without hurdles

The agreement now extends Pakistan's diplomatic standing, now providing stronger backing on issues like Kashmir issue and now Indus Waters Treaty's issue. Now Pakistan has a more stronger ally alongside China to back Pakistani decisions and statements.

V: Conclusion: A Defense in Action

The Pakistan - Saudi Arabia Defense Agreement signifies a robust partnership, addressing security concerns and regional instability.

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This ~~increase~~ ^{increase sides and facts} deterrence, with Pakistan's nuclear capabilities potentially extending to Saudi Arabia. The agreement strengthens military cooperation, economic ties and provides diplomatic leverage making Pakistan a key player in regional stability.

: Question 2 :

I: Introduction, Pakistan and Afghanistan: The two brothers in action

The complex and tense relations between Pakistan and Afghanistan has been a significant factor in regional geopolitics, with recent mediation efforts by China failing to yield substantial improvements. Many historic factors yield and fuel Pak-Afghan relations with the most prominent being Pakistan's Post 9/11 War on Terror as well as the recent Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP)'s aggression fueling the raging fire inside.

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II: Brothers on the Map: A bound and binded Destiny



III: A Glimpse into the unhealthy Pak-Afghan relations: Driving factors of unstable relations

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Driving Pak-Afghan
Relationship factors

Thareek-i
Taliban
Pakistan
(TTP)

Post 9/11
War on
Terror

Refugee
and
humanitarian
Tensions

Border
management
and
Security
Concerns

(i) Threat of the military Group, Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan

Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan is a militant group operating under Afghanistan along Pak-Afghan border. Formed in 2017 by Baitullah Mehsud, its current leader is Noor Wali Mehsud who has pledged allegiance to Taliban. TTP aims to overthrow Pakistan's government and bring forth Islamic Sharia law. The group has ties with Al-Qaida for ideological guidance. TTP has been responsible for significant attacks including 2014 Peshawar School Massacre and the recent escalation on October 8th 2025 by TTP followed by a suicide attack near the border. Despite multiple warnings from Pakistan, Afghanistan promises to disarm TTP but does nothing.

(ii) Post 9/11 War on Terror: A Pak-US strategic alliance against Afghanistan.

After the 9/11 attack and Afghanistan's involvement in the attack on World Trade Center, US formally

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launched an attack on Afghanistan declaring war. Pakistan's involvement in the post 9/11 War on Terror strained relationships with Afghanistan. Pakistan's military supported US-led coalition efforts conducting operations against militants in tribal areas. Afghan government accused Pakistan of harboring Taliban insurgents and not doing enough to counter terrorism along the border fueling raging relations.

(III) Refugee and Humanitarian Crisis: Undocumented Afghans forced to leave Pakistan.

Pakistan's policy of deporting undocumented Afghans since late 2023 has created humanitarian and refugee strain adding bitterness in the bilateral collapsing relations between Pakistan and Afghanistan. Pakistan is driving Afghans out in the name of severe security and economic concerns, while Afghanistan calls it an act of collective punishment, further straining relations.

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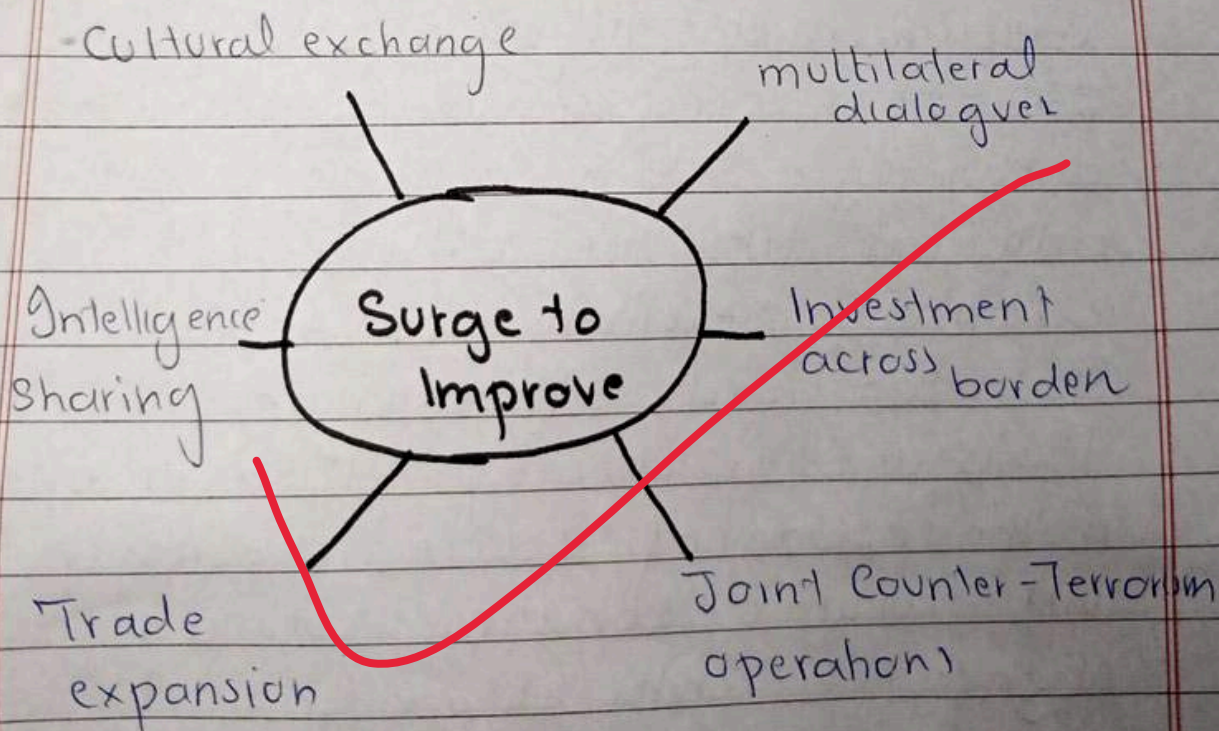
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(iv) Border Management and Security Control - Concerns and Tensions arising :

Recurring border skirmishes and Pakistan's cross border strike in Khor and Paktika in response to militant safe havens reflect a fragile relationship. The frequent closure of Torkham and Chaman crossing has disrupted the lives of millions affect trade and daily commute.

IV. Surge to Improvement: factors Taken under observation to Improve strained relationships



(i): Multilateral Dialogues:

Pakistan and Afghanistan can use China as a mediator to hold multilateral dialogues and score for a solution, leveraging China's regional influence.

(ii) Trade Expansion

Enhance and work more on the Pakistan - Afghanistan Transit Trade Agreement (APTITA) to increase economic independence and therefore foster and expand trade.

(iii) Investment in border Areas and infrastructure projects

Develop economic zones and invest in the collaborative projects focusing on building and signing projects like China - Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) and TAPI to promote regional stability.

(iv) Joint Counter Terrorism efforts

Efforts to strengthen ^{against} counter - Terrorism militant groups like TTP in order to stop or mitigate attacks and constant security threats.

(v) Intelligence Sharing

Enhance intelligence sharing to address common security concerns and carry out joint operations.

(vi) Cultural Exchange

People-to-People, cross-border cultural exchange should be promoted and enhanced so that people may learn about each other and foster mutual understanding.

V: Conclusion:

In Conclusion, despite strained relations, Pakistan and Afghanistan can improve relations through joint diplomatic efforts, economic cooperation, security collaboration and people to people exchange. By properly addressing historical grievance and fostering trust, the two brother nations will go hand in hand with one another.

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I: Introduction :

The US withdrawal from the Paris Climate Agreement under Donald Trump's Presidency deals a significant blow to the global climate efforts. As a major emitter, and an influential player, the US absence undermines international cooperation and reduces pressure on other countries who stood obligatory to ramp up their climate ambitions.

The US withdrawal has serious global implications as the world is being plunged into a climatic catastrophe and something needs to be done to mitigate the devastating effects of Climate Change.

II: The World Charter of the future: The Paris Climate Agreement

The Paris Climate Agreement, adopted in 2015 marked a landmark moment in the global climate governance, aiming to mitigate climate change by limiting Global

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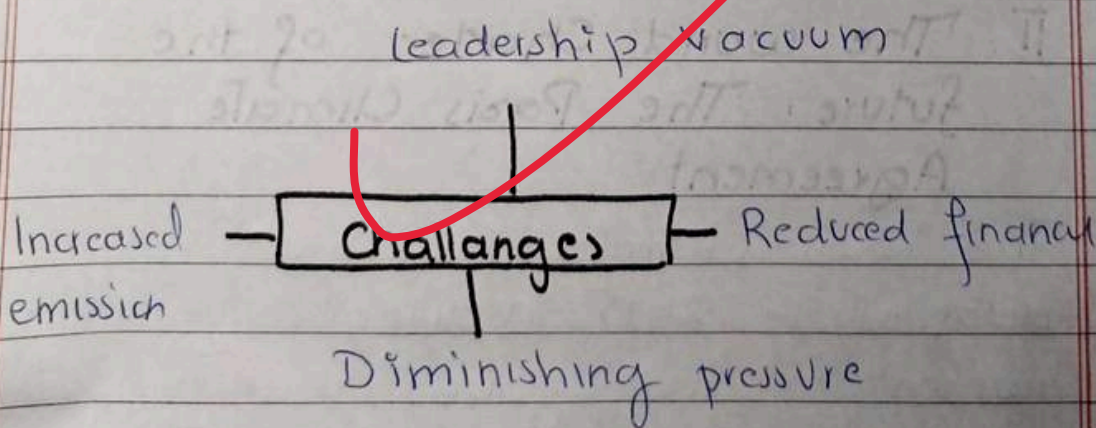
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Warming well under 2°C and pursuing efforts to limit it to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels. The agreement's success relied on as well as relied on collective action, transparency, and accountability, however the US withdrawal under Trump's presidency in 2017 has dealt a significant blow to global climate efforts.

III: Absence of a world leader. The Challenges ahead

The absence of a global leader, like the US in the Paris Climate Agreement poses significant challenges to the international climate effort, however, it is not a death knell for climate change.

IV: Climatic Challenges Ahead



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V: Future efforts against climate Change

Use of renewable energy and efficiency

Future of climate
Change efforts
in the absence
of world leader

Green
Technology

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