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Q3) The current economic challenges of Pakistan are challenges of the Political Economy that leads to structural flawedness.

* Introduction:

Since its inception, Pakistan is facing the economic challenges. But during the initial years the performance of Pakistan was quite well. From the year 1947 to the 1990s, Pakistan was one of the fastest growing economies, marked by progressive in different sectors. By unfortunately from 2002 and onward Pakistan is facing severe economic challenges marked by several political uprisings and downfalls. The year 2002 and onward marked saw severe political riots and political challenges. Thus it can be clearly said that the current economic issues of Pakistan are the issues because

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of the political economy. According to Dr. Ishrat Hussain, 'Governing the ungovernable'; the economy of Pakistan is merely at the hands of the political elites. The political elites determine the fate of the nation.

Current economic challenges as challenges of political economy; Chronological view:

Since inception (1947-1990)
(Several martial laws but strong economic status)

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~~Democratic road~~
but
unstable economy

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Several flawed or incompetent policies

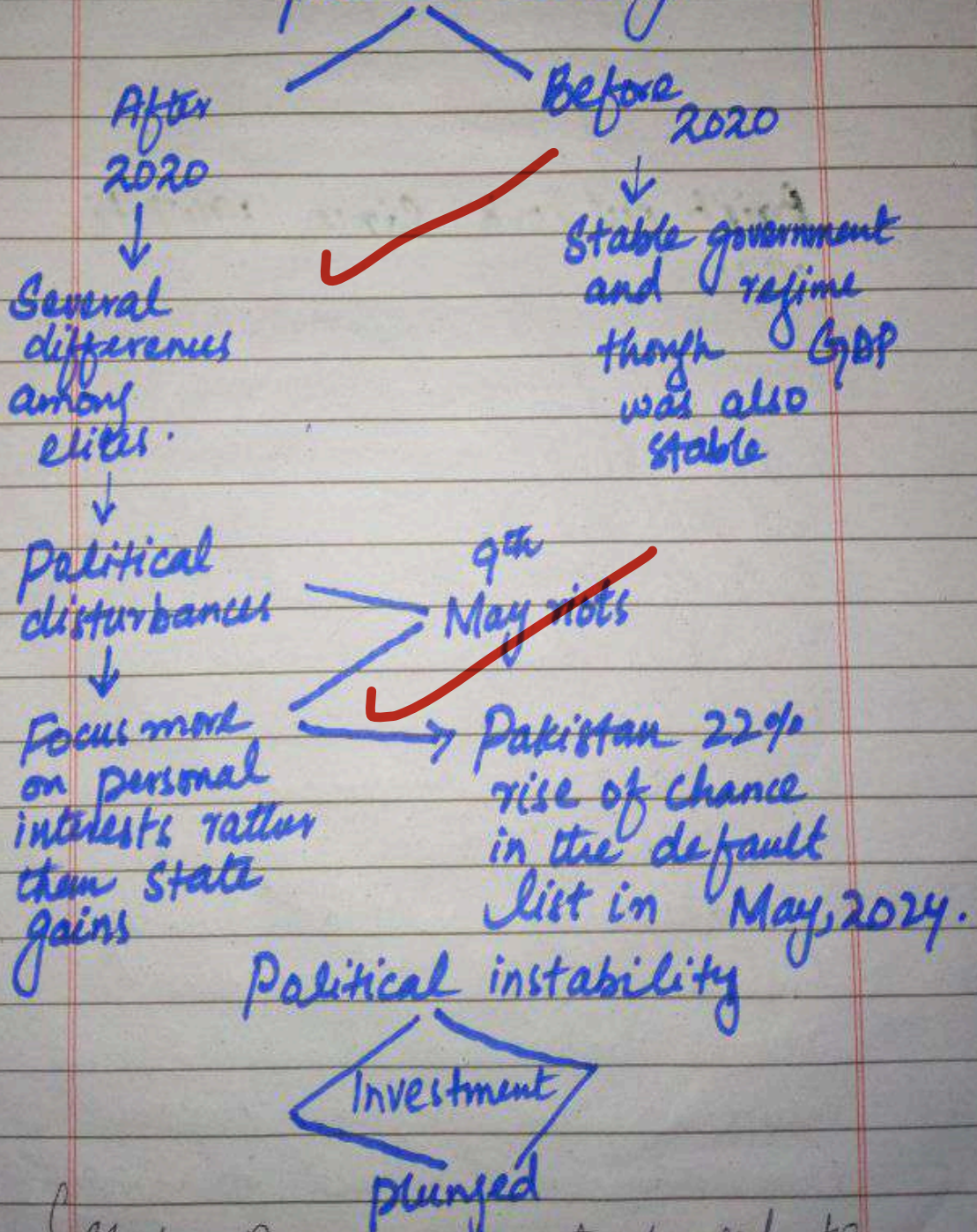
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Corruption charges over elites
(Why nations fail)

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Current economic challenges

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Why current challenges are challenges of political economy



(Shabaz Rana, investment plunged to 50 year low, Sep, 2025)

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Delay of election
of 2024

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Delayed by ~~political~~ ~~setback~~ (violation of
Pakistan constitution)

Brief outlook Since 1947 till
1990:-

According to Abdul Sattar, foreign policy of Pakistan 1947, 1990, Pakistan showed a remarkable progress and was one of the emerging countries. Though, at that time there was no stable government, the bureaucracy was running the system but the political economy was efficient and effective, their focus was on the country's improvement rather than their personal gains and demand. During martial law regimes, Pakistan showed improvement and its GDP hit its highest values.

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After 1990 to 2020:-

After 1990 the democratic path or route opened marked by few upstrokes of the army but the rate of the economic growth was hindered.

Though, there are some structural flaws but it is the duty of the political economy to hold checks and measure on these flaws, the flaws itself are not responsible for these economical disturbances.

According to the world bank report 2024; The economy of Pakistan showed worst record in the history marked by political instability and political disturbances, followed by flawed governmental policies.

Economic outlook after 2020:-

After 2020 the economy of Pakistan was on the brink of drowning. The 2021 and onward years saw an intense political

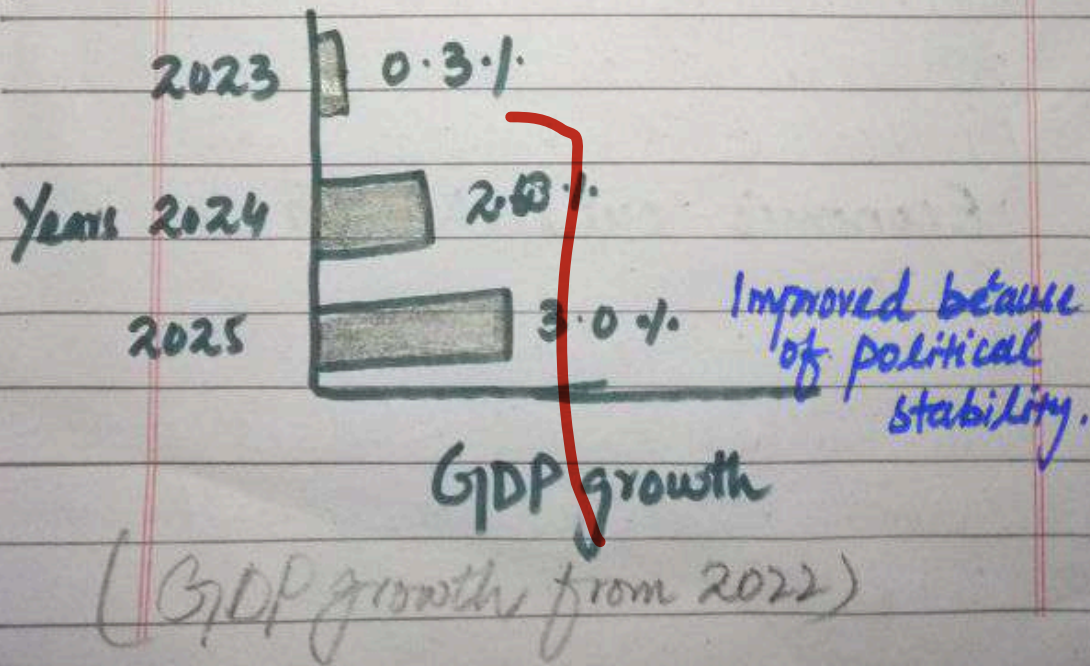
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social and political challenges and it is evident from the economic survey report of Pakistan 2022-2023, that the GDP was only 0.3% down from the 5%. So it can be clearly depicted that economic challenges are the challenges of political economy that leads to flawed structures. Even though if the structures are flawed but if the government and political economy is strong they can be able to mitigate these flawed structures.



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Current challenges are because of:

★ **Political instability:-**

Political instability and propaganda is one of the recent issue and common problem of Pakistan.

These are not the structures but the political economies responsible for the downfall of nations. According

to **Kamran, three nations; three downfall;** the downfall of

Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka was all just because of the political economies and the political steps carried out by the head of the states of the head of the governments.

→ Corruption in the political hierarchy and bureaucratic model, means under the influence of politicians are also the main cause that make political economy

responsible for the downfall of the economies of the nations

→ Policies measures to address these challenges:-

- * Establishment of the stable and efficient government:-

The first and the foremost thing for improving the economic base is the establishment of the stable economic governmental system. Because it is the stable government that leads to the stable economies.

→ Fully and complete implementation of the constitution:-

Acting upon the constitution should be make necessary no just for the poor and weak section of the society but for the political economy as well. The delay of the election in the year 2023 shows the constitutional weakness of Pakistan. Though, such policies

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must be established that enforce the implementation of the constitution in its true sense.

→ Policies regarding bureaucratic checks and balances:-

Such policies should be established that keeps checks and balances on the bureaucracy and eradicate structural inefficiencies.

→ Transparency and accountability of the political elites:-

According to the transparency international report of 2024, Pakistan lagged behind in the race of transparency and Pakistan courts were recorded as the world's worst courts. So the

transparency checks are essential for improving economic statuses.

→ Foreign investment attraction policies:-

The government should

establish such policies that attract foreign investment as well as local investments. The recent policies adopted by the government as the US-Pakistan deal regarding minerals. If this project is fully implemented, so that there is the possibility that Pakistan can once again compete with developed countries.

→ Power transfer to the local government.

The article 140A of the constitution demand for the local government but after 2010 no proper local government election were held. If the 140A article of the constitution is fully implemented so many of the issues can be resolved.

→ Adopting foreign policy based on national interest rather than friendship.

Conclusion:

If all of the above given measures are adopted so there is the possibility that the country will once again recover and lead the race.

According to Ishvari Parshadi Resources are not limited but the wish to use them.

Q4) Pakistan - Afghanistan relations in the post 2021 regime and effect of border security, refugees issues and regional alignment on the bilateral relations:-

Introduction:

Pak-Afghan relation had marked by several uprisings and downfalls according to Abdul Sattar, foreign policy of Pakistan, 2000. The relations between both of the

countries were bitter from the beginning, but after a decade they were marked by friend. The Head of the state, Zahir Shah visited Pakistan in the 1960s. Then during the war with Russia Pakistan provided safety paves to the refugees but they become the threat to its national as well as territorial existence. Then the 9/11 incidents marked another turning point in their relations. After 2021; uptake by taliban, the two countries aimed to establish friendly relations but several issues like cross border terrorism, refuge settlement and regional alignment, tense them further. And now recently, the relations between the two states are very worse and hostile.

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Impact of border
security, refugee issues
and ~~regional~~ regional
pacts and alignment
on ~~bilateral~~ relations

~~Afghan / Pak~~

Hostile bilateral
relationship.

Afghan
attacks
on
Pakistan
post

~~October
2025~~

Pakistan
air attacks
on
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Worst
hostilities
among both
countries

Afghan-India
friendship pact

further deteriorated
the conditions.

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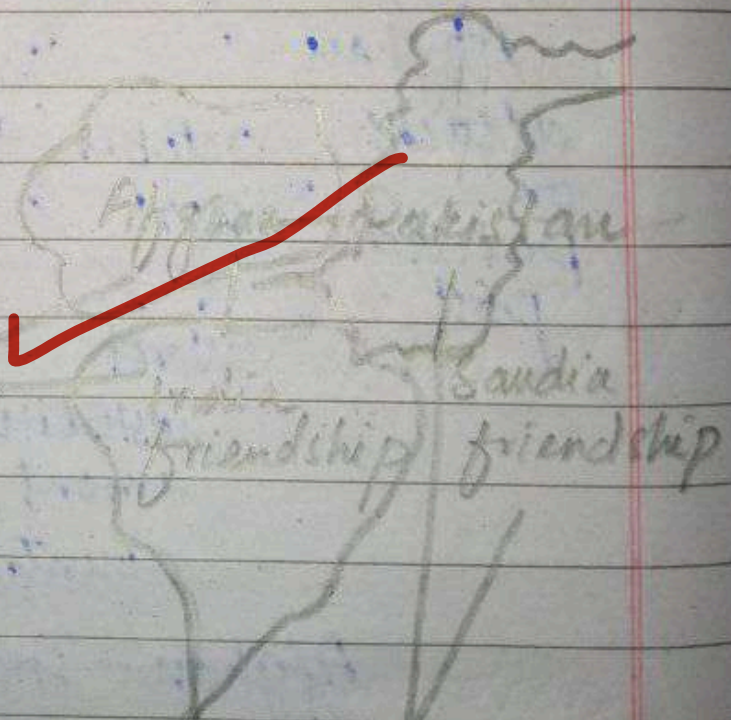
Pak-Saudia Pact
Defense alignment

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Urge Afghan
towards India

Border
closed, no trade
Despite China efforts.

Way to
Europe

Gulf
countries



Regional
Hegemony
(Army dream)

also aim to
reclaim gulf
countries

How border security issues worsened the relations:-

* Cross border Terrorism:-

One of the major issue of the border security is the cross-border terrorism. Once again there is rise of insurgency in KP and Balochistan and most the attacks in KP are claimed by TTP and according to Terrorism Index 2025; Pakistan was ranked as the second most terrorist affected country. While Pakistan claimed Afghanistan for backing the TTP and using as an agent against Pakistan.

→ Cross border attacks:-

Because of the crossborder terrorism various attacks were carried between the two countries, each claiming to attack the terrorists group. Pakistan defense Minister claimed that they have

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Several times urged the Afghan government to help them mitigate the terrorism and use of Afghan land against them. But as per the claim of Pakistan, they are not providing any support, instead they are igniting it. In this way the relations between the two countries are quite worse.

→ The total fatalities in Pakistan according to World Terrorism Index in the year 2015 were more than 7000, with TTP emerging as the world fourth largest terrorist group.

Pakistan Air bases violation of Afghan Territory:-

In October, Pakistan violates the territorial integrity of Afghanistan and attacking several locations.

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claiming that it was the attempt to eliminate and eradicate terrorism.

→ Refugees issues as another leading issue for worsening of relationship among the both countries:-

Since 1970, Pakistan is providing shelter and refuge to million of Afghan Mujahideen after the end of the war, Pakistan started to bring them back to their home land, because the economy of Pakistan is also facing quite challenges and due to these refugees further burden is imposed on the economy.

→ But in contrast the Afghan government wants cooperation from Pakistan side and don't want the return of the entire refugees. So this problem had further worsen the

ties between the both countries.

* Pak-Saudi Defence pact and Impact on Afghan:-

How Pak Saudi Defence Pact has affected the bilateral ties of Pakistan?

Pakistan went into the historic defence pact with Saudi Arabia, this pact provided Pakistan with several defense instrument as well as it will prove as a remedy to the Pakistan economic challenges. Before the ~~Pakistan~~ Pact, Pakistan wants to establish friendly relation with all the neighbours, ~~of~~ having one worse neighbour already. So at that time the focus of Pakistan was on all the neighbouring countries but after going into the defence pact with Saudi, Pakistan gain encouragement

that now no state can dare to violate its territorial integrity and is less conscious about its relations with Afghanistan. So in this way Saudi-Pak defense pact has also hindered the relations India Afghan Pact and visits as major cause of worsening relations:-

One of the major cause of worsening of relationships between Pakistan is the India-Afghan Pact. Pakistan consider India as one of its hostile neighbour, while Afghan as an Islamic country went into the pact with India, so this step was quite frustrating for Pakistan.

→ Another major point of frustration was that India claimed Kashmir as its own territory and Afghan

Instead of rejecting this point showed its agreement on it.

→ Another major frustrating point of the pact was that India claimed Terrorism as Pakistan main issue or core issue and Afghanistan also showed agreement on it.

→ Another main point that Pakistan showed its concern is that the India will use Afghanistan for committing terrorist activities in Pakistan. So all these points were the reasons that lead to the worsening of the relationship between both countries.

Conclusion:-

Thus it can be concluded that the relations between the two countries are quite worst because of cross border terrorism, stoppage of trade activities and various regional alignment.

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Q1* Pakistan environmental hazardous - development model lead Pakistan to the top V 20:-

Introduction:-

Though climate change is responsible for Pakistan hazardous environmental condition but it is not the climate change that has led Pakistan to the top 20 vulnerable countries. It is the weak environmental development plan of Pakistan. According climate risk index of 2025, Pakistan is among the most climate vulnerable countries with only contribution of 0.5% of CO₂ and fossil fuels. From the year 2000 and onward Pakistan

had been struck by more than 30 environmental calamities and had lost more than 4 trillion \$ due to its flawed policies and governmental inefficiencies. (According to Global energy outlook report of 2025). So the major factor that led Pakistan to top 20 vulnerable countries list is the flawed adaptation plan of Pakistan not the climate change.

Adaptation Plan of Pakistan as major contributor to lead Pakistan to top 20



Because Pakistan contribution to Global CO₂ is 0.5%

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China being the
largest contributor
but not the worst
vulnerable

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2022 flood, visible
example of
flawed policies.

- * China is the world largest coal contributor but not the worst vulnerable:-
Pakistan is one of the world worst vulnerable to the climate and global changes. Though its share in the utilization of fossil fuel is only 0.5%. While China utilizes 11 mt. of coals but due to its specialized plans, it is able

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to mitigate the environmental problems.

→ The 2022 floods depicts the clear picture of the Pakistani ~~the~~ adaptation plan policies. The 2022 floods were the result of the intense heat wave wave but it was the inefficiencies of the management authorities that they didn't detected the situation well.

→ The adaptation plan lacks focus on the article 140A of constitution due to which the commercial areas are build on the climate vulnerable countries.

Strategies to mitigate environmental risks:-

* **More utilization of renewable energy sources:-**
Though, China is the largest

consumer of coal, but it is also the largest producer of the renewable energy sources. In order to resolve its climate issues, Pakistan had to focus more on its renewable energy aspect.

→ Revisiting the Climate adaptation plan:-

The first and the foremost step that is required is to revisit the adaptation plan, introduce new policies regarding the management authorities and introduce clauses of maintaining checks and balance on such authorities.

→ Fully implementation of the constitutional can also prevent provinces from destruction, not just new dams construction.

or new province creation
can solve the problem:

The first and the foremost step to improve the conditions of Pakistan and mitigate environmental calamities is to fully implement the article 140A of the constitution. Which demands for the establishment of the local government instead of establishing new clans and creating new provinces. When the local government will set up it will timely identify the issue to the local people.

→ Another important task is to keep checks and balances on the citizens, in order to avoid them from establishing home, buildings

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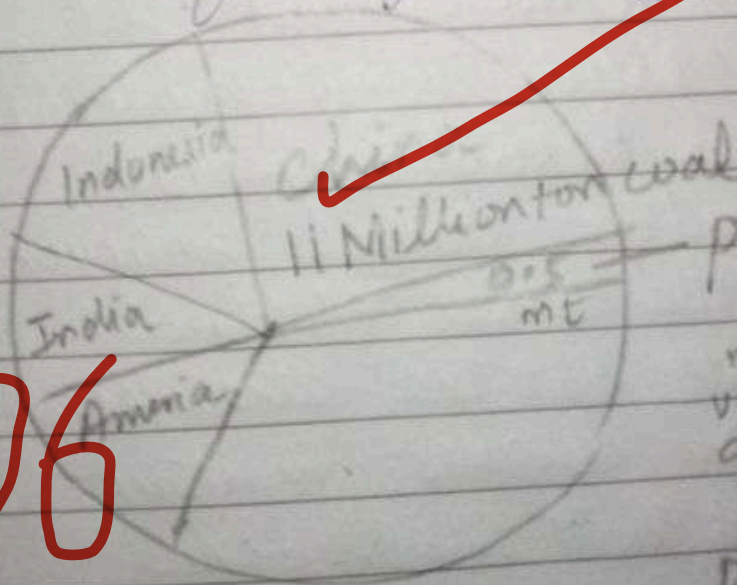
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and other commercial areas
at climate vulnerable area.

Conclusion:-

In recent cop 29, Pakistan
had adopted various policies,
introduced its first Salkat
project and allocated 30
billion rupees to the environ-
mental calamities but
the dire need is to fully
implement them so Pakistan
can once again become environ-
mental friendly country.



Pakistan
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most
vulnerable
due to
flawed
policies
and
adaptation
plans

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Q8* Key political and social ideologies role in Pakistan movement:-

Between 1930 - 1947:-

Introduction:-

Initially the ideology was based on one nation theory, but there were several instances and events that inherit the seed of two nation theory. Various events such as Aligarh Address, Congress Minister Ministries of 1937 and Lahore resolution influence the demand for the creation of separate nation Before 1920-1930

Quaid was staunch believer of the Hindu Muslim unity but the atrocities of the congress ministries proved that hindus can never remain loyal to the Muslims. Nehru report

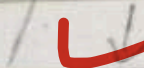
also proved that ~~Hindus~~ Hindus
will never allow Muslim to
emerge as a separate nation
in the subcontinent.

Allahabad Address



Informal address
but inherit
the seed among
the Muslims

to think for their
separate homeland.



Presented the
situation with an
analogy



Initial marked
by criticism



But later hindus
attitude determines
the concept
to be true.

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Impact of Allabad Address:-

It was held in Allabad in 1930, when Allama Iqbal was

invited to the sermon of the All India Muslim League.

The statement was that I would like to see the provinces of NWFP, Punjab, Sindh and Balochistan to amalgamate into a separate state for Muslims.

→ Though it received criticisms but later it helps Muslims to focus on the saying of Allama Iqbal that separate homeland was the dire need of Muslims. because the 1935 elections was a turning point and it showed Muslims the real face of the Congress and the Hindus. Congress

claimed to represent both hindus and muslims but it favours hindus.

Activities of congress ministries and bringing consciousness among Muslims for separate Nation:-

The congress ministries activities makes Muslim to think on the issue of the separate nation because they carried various hostile acts against Muslims some important were:-

- Rejected the Muslims demands for separate electorate and their representation in the government
- Followed the policy of spreading Hinduism and Hindumat and represented **Shiva, Krishna** as their heroes that were villain for Muslims.

attempt these by giving subheadings; not points.....

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→ Introduce bande matram as a national song of subcontinent and forced Muslims to ~~for~~ bow down to the ~~image~~ of the Ghandi.

→ Riots were held among the Muslims and the Hindus which in these few years led to 16,000 fatalities.

→ The 22 December 1939 was observed as the day of deliverance when the atrocities of the congress ministries ~~brutely~~ ended.

(According to I.H. Qureshi, Short History of Pakistan)

All these events let Muslims to think on the creation of separate homeland.

* Lahore Resolution as Land Mark for Creation of Pakistan:-

A resolution of mere 100

word proved a landmark
for the creation of Pakistan.

→ It represent Bengal, Assam
Assam and Northern Areas
to be emerge into a separate
homeland. Though, it were
mere few words but it was
with the help of hindus
that Muslims were able
to establish their separate
homeland. The hindu

press called them Pakistan
movement and in this way
this term was coined and
it led to the creation
of separate homeland.

According to Quaid-e-Azam
the Lahore resolution is
of the landmark in
the history.

After this resolution the
atrocities of Hindus came

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more forward and the Muslim started struggle for their separate homeland. — Furthermore several press and newspaper were written by Muslims that lit the flame of freedom in the Muslim hearts.

Notable were Zamindar, Hamdard and of Ghohar Brothers.

Conclusion:-

Thus it can be concluded that the 1930 and 1940 was a changing periods in

history of subcontinent, that paved a way for the establishment of the separate homeland.