

Essay:

1. The Year 2025 - Turning point for Pakistan

1. Introduction:

The year 2025 was a turning point for Pakistan because it has seen both challenges and opportunities.

2. How the year 2025 become a turning point for Pakistan:

2.1 In the month of May and April Pahalgam attack has strained relations between Pakistan and India.

2.2 The floods in Baloch and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa had caused drastic impacts over the infrastructure, lives and Economy of Pakistan.

2.3 Shanghai cooperation organization has condemned terror attacks in Pakistan: Such as Pahalgam, Khuzdar and Jaffer Express.

2.4 27th Amendment has changed the powers of Army chief, giving him life time impunity with privileges and rank.

2.5 New members have been added in BRICS⁺
However, Pakistan is still in its consideration list of BRICS⁺.

2.6 Militancy in different parts of Pakistan
have been increased; the major parts of attacks were Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan

2.7 Conference of parties - COP30 with loss and
Damage fund for Pakistan had established.

2.8 The third phase of China Pakistan Economic
corridor has started along with new fiber optics projects.

2.9 Agricultural sector of Pakistan has seen
major decline due to recent floods in 2025.

2.10 Due to the outdated wires and infrastructure in
the energy sector of Pakistan; heat increases
and 10-20% demand of electricity rises every
year as per International Energy Agency.

2.11 Female labour force participation has
increased as compared to previous year
2024.

2.12 Honour Killings cases have been increased
in the year 2025.

• Case in point: Sana Yousuf, Satakzhai in
Balochistan

2.13 The enrollement of girls in the primary Education sector has increased upto 97% as per Express Tribune 2025.

2.14 2238 cases of domestic violence have been reported in the year 2025. It shows 90% increase in the domestic violence cases; as per Sustainable Social development organization.

2.15 In the year 2025; approximately 300 cases of Bride Burning have been reported according to BBC news.

2.16 The cases of acid throwing in Pakistan were 150 to 200 in the year 2025 reported according to the Nations.

2.17 Low Implementation of laws have been seen in the year 2025 such as:

- Harassment at workplace faced by women act 2010
- Domestic violence prevention and protection act 2012
- Electronic crimes prevention acts from 2016 to 2025

2.18 The war with Afghanistan had closed Torkham and Chaman borders with Economic losses.

3. Conclusion

**"If you're brave enough to say goodbye,
life will reward you with a new hello."** Paul
Coeelho.

The year 2025; was a turning point for Pakistan because in this year, Pakistan has seen both challenges as well as opportunities. In the recent start of the year, the pahalgam attack in Kashmir, then after this attack India has completely blamed Pakistan and due to that war has occurred with neighbouring country. After this trouble, Pakistan has seen massive floods in Baloch and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Owing to floods many lives were lost and huge economic loss faced by Pakistan. Shanghai Cooperation Organization held in to which the head **XingJing** has condemned different terror attacks in Pakistan such as: Pahalgam, Khuzdar and Jaffer Express. The 27th Amendment was passed; this amendment has given life time impunity and rank to the Chief of Army. In the mid of the year, BRICS summit was held into which Pakistan was still in its consideration list. In the year 2025; the military has increased across Pakistan especially in the Baloch and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. After floods of 2025 in Pakistan; in the conference of parties, it was declared that loss and damage fund should

be given to the developing countries especially Pakistan. The third phase of China Pakistan Economic corridor has started into which new projects of Bullet trains and fiber optics have implemented. The recent floods of 2025 in Pakistan had caused huge loss of agriculture owing to which agricultural sector of Pakistan has seen major decline. The outdated lines and wires in the energy sector of Pakistan has increased 10-20% demand of electricity every year. Female labour force participation has increased in the year 2025 as compared to the previous year 2024. The Honour Killing cases have been increased in Pakistan such as Banosatakhzai, and Sana Yousuf. The enrollement of girls in the primary educational sector has increased to 97%. In the year 2025, **2238** cases of domestic violence have been reported with increase **90%** in domestic violence. **300** cases of bride burning have been reported. The cases of acid throwing were approximately **150 to 200** reported in the year 2025. However, the low implementation of laws has been observed in the year such as: Harassment at workplace faced by women act 2010, Domestic violence prevention and protection act 2012,

and Electronic crimes and prevention act from 2016 to 2025. For instance, the war with Afghanistan has closed the torakham and chaman borders which not only affected the trade between two neighbouring countries but also caused huge economic impact on both of the countries.

On 21 April 2025, an attack was occurred in the **Pahalgam** region. It is a part of Indian territory in Kashmir. India has blamed repeatedly for Pakistan. Without any proof or without any investigation, India was blaming Pakistan for the terror attack in the Indian territory of Kashmir. However, Pakistan has condemned the terror attack. Just after this attack, without any proof, India has launched an attack in different areas of Punjab such as **Lujranwala**, and other parts of Punjab. This attack has injured many innocent peoples and killed several individuals. After this attack, Pakistan retaliated and won the war. On **May 10, 2025**, a cease-fire agreement was signed by both India and Pakistan. It was brought by the president of America **Donald Trump**. Therefore, this agreement has put an end to war.

In the mid of the year 2025, another challenge has been posed by Pakistan. This

time; the challenge was of **floods**. The floods in **Bannu**, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has caused drastic impact over the lives, infrastructure, Agriculture and economy of Pakistan. These flood has caused **billions** of economic damage and **millions** of lives were displaced. The houses, roads, streets and building were damaged. **Cloudburst** in Bannu district has caused huge loss of lives and infrastructural damage.

On the platform of Shanghai cooperation organization, the president of China **Xian Jinping** has condemned different terror attacks in Pakistan such as: **Pahalgam**, **Khuzdar** and **Faffer Express** attacks. He further said on the platform of Shanghai cooperation organization that "**Terrorism in all forms must be rejected.**" Therefore, this platform has supported Pakistan and established their trust that no more attacks of terrorism in Pakistan be tolerated.

27th Amendment has brought changes in the **Pakistani Army act**. The Amendment has changed the structure of Pakistani army attack. The Chief of army has changed to the Chief of defense force with life time.

Impunity was given to him. The chief of defense force is the commander for all the three forces that is air force, navy force and army forces. His ranks and privileges shall remain for the life time. No any person can stretch his rank or privileges from him. Further, the **federal shariat court** was established under the 27th Amendment 2025. This court shall look after the cases related to army, navy and air forces.

After the mid of 2025, **BRICS⁺** Summit has occurred. In this summit the new members were added such as **Vietnam** and **Indonesia** in the month of January. However, Pakistan is still in the consideration list of BRICS⁺. If a membership of BRICS⁺ was given to Pakistan, it can open doors of trade, defense and other opportunities for Pakistan to Brazil, Russia, India and South Asia. However, for the avers of all the opportunities of trade, membership of BRICS⁺ is necessary for Pakistan.

The rise of militancy has been observed in the year 2025. Especially in areas such as **Bannu, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan**. The attacks of militant groups such as: Tehreek-i-Taliban (**TTP**), Islamic State

Khorasan pakistan **ISKP**, Sipah-i-sahaba, Sipah-i-Muhammad and other militant groups in Balochistan such as Balochistan liberation army **BLA**, Balochistan liberation Republic **BLR** and Razi Gulbahadur group in Balochistan have been increased in different areas of Pakistan. These attacks are the threats to the **National security of Pakistan and Sovereignty of Pakistan.**

The year 2025, has seen massive floods in Pakistan especially in the areas of **Bamru and Khyberpakhtunkhwa**. The agricultural sector of Pakistan has seen decline to **2 to 3%** in the Gross domestic product. **Billions** of loss in the Economy of Pakistan. Therefore, in the conference of parties **COP30**; a fund was established which is known as **loss and Damage fund** for developing countries; especially Pakistan which has seen major climate shifts. "**Pakistan contributes less than 1% Green house gases**" according to United Nations. However, "**Pakistan is ranked among the top ten climate vulnerable countries,**" according to United Nations.

China Pakistan Economic corridor is based upon three main pillars. Each pillar is

of 5 years. The first phase was started from 2016 and ends on 2020. The second phase was started from 2021 to 2025. However the third phase, which is the last phase of China Pakistan Economic corridor shall start from 2025 and ends in 2030. This phase is of five years and it consist of **Bullet train projects and fiber optics projects**. This phase will bring economic boost and prosperity for Pakistan. These phases are not supporting transportation and industry but also supporting Agricultural sector of Pakistan.

The recent floods in Pakistan has caused great decline in the agricultural sector of Pakistan especially major crops hit such as: **wheat, Rice, maize and cotton**. These crops are most widely used in Pakistan. However, these crops have seen major decline. The GDP of Pakistan due to loss of crops also hit to **2-3%**, which strained the economic sector of Pakistan.

The energy sector of Pakistan has also seen drastic changes in the year 2015. The loss and transmission lines in Pakistan is outdated owing to which **10-20%** demand of electricity rises each year as per **International Energy**

Agency. with the loss in the transmission wires the heat is increased; as well as the demand of electricity rises each year. This caused increase in the prices of electricity unit. It can be reformed by bring change in the Energy sector of Pakistan by changing outdated lines and reformed with new ones.

The female labour force participation has also increased as compared to the previous year 2024. Females participation in different sectors such as schools, teachings, professions like lecturers, assistant commissioners, head of departments, nurses, medical officers, doctors, have been increased as compared to the previous year. This is really a turning point for Pakistan in the year 2025.

The cases of Honour killings have been increased in the year 2025 such as **Sana Younis and Banastakzhai**. Sana Younis was a seventeen years old girl of Pakistan. She was brutally killed by a boy of 22 years old. The reason was very simple, she just rejected the proposal of a boy. And this patriarchal culture has caused her happy life into her death. Another honour killing case was of resident of Balo-

christian named Banostakzhri. She was brutally killed by her own brother. The reason was that she married by her own choice. This has caused her death. The cases of honour killing in pakistan have been risen. Approximately 405 cases of honour killings have been reported in the year 2015 as per sustainable social development organization.

The educational sector of pakistan has seen rise in the enrollments especially of the girls in 2015. The rise of girls in the primary educational sector has increased to 97% as compared to the last year where enrollment rate was low. This is a turning point for pakistan as females are getting education. "If you educate a ~~man~~ ^{man}, you educate an individual, if you educate a girl, you educate a nation." Therefore, this has brought a turning point for pakistan.

Domestic violence in the year 2015; have been increased in the pakistan. Domestic violence is the intimate partner violence, or violence by any member of family; victim is majorly woman. In the year 2015; 2238 cases of Domestic violence have been reported.

In the year, 2025 90% increases in the cases of Domestic violence have seen by Pakistan. The domestic violence must be reduced by Pakistan by the proper implementation of laws such Prevention and Protection of Women against Domestic Violence act 2012.

Bride Burning or stove burning is another issue that is faced by Pakistan in the year 2025. Approximately 300 cases of bride burning has been reported in the year 2025. The rural areas are majorly responsible for bride burning. Burning of bride with kerosene oil or any other inflammable material is very common in rural areas. On small minor issues such as not bring enough dowry, or not performing tasks as husband said. Therefore, bride burning was a major issue faced by Pakistan in the year 2025.

Acid attacks were also increased in the year 2025. Acid attack is also known as oil of vitriol. Acid attack is the attack of acid such as Hydrochloric acid or sulphuric acid over any part of female's body: face, hand, body or feet. Approximately 150 to 200

Cases of acid throwing were reported in the year 2025 as per Sustainable Social Development organization. These attacks over women are due to; not accepting proposals, not accepting the demands of offenders such as sexual desire demands or demands of marriage. These attacks must be reduced by implementing policies and strengthen police and judiciary system of Pakistan.

The low implementation of laws have been observed in the year 2025 such as: Harassment at workplace act 2010, Domestic violence act 2012, and Electronic crimes prevention acts from 2016 to 2025. There were some specific laws related to females. However, there are other laws too which are weakly implemented. If these laws will be implemented properly throughout the country then there will be surely a decline in cases observed throughout Pakistan.

The recent war with Afghanistan was a challenge for both of the countries. This war has closed Torkham and Chaman borders. Owing to the closure of borders; the trade was disbalance between both of the countries. It caused huge billion loss in the economic sector of both of the countries - 1200 casualties

in the Afghanistan been reported as per al-Jazeera news. While several **soldiers** and **civilians** were killed and injured of pakistan. This war has proved to be fatal for both neighbouring countries. Later, a ceasefire was brokered known as **Doha ceasefire** agreement between pakistan and Afghanistan for the immediate cessation of hostilities. "The long border of Afghanistan and pakistan binds them in such a way that no border truly separate?" according to Winston Churchill.

The year of 2025 was a turning point for pakistan because this year has brought both challenges and opportunities for pakistan. The challenges that pakistan faced during 2025 were the pakhtun attack in the Indian held Kashmir and India has blamed pakistan for this terror attack. The floods of Bannu and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has caused drastic impact over the economy of pakistan such as it lost lives, infrastructures, streets and buildings. The 27th Amendment has given special privileges to the Chief of Army Staff such as life time privileges and rank was given to

Chief of Army Staff. Pakistan has applied in the BRICS⁺ organization. However, Pakistan is still in its observational list. The military in Pakistan have been increased especially in the areas of Baluchistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. During the platform of Conference of parties COP30, the Loss and Damage fund was established for Pakistan. During floods of 2025, the agricultural sector of Pakistan has seen major decline of crops such as wheat, maize, rice and crops. The third phase of China Pakistan Economic Corridor has bring opportunities for Pakistan; especially the projects of bullet train and fiber optics. The outdated wires and transmission infrastructure in the energy sector of Pakistan has increased 10-20% demand of electricity every year. The female labour force participation has risen in the year 2025. However, the cases of honour killings have increased during the year 2025 such as Sans young and Khan Mehtasab. The enrolle^{ment} of girls in the primary educational sector has increased to 97% with the surge in the domestic violence cases upto 90% in the year 2025; approximately

300 cases of bride burning were reported with acid throwing cases approximately 150 to 200 cases. This is all due to the weak implementation of laws such as workplace Harassment act 2010, Domestic violence protection act 2012 and electronic crimes prevention act from 2016 to 2020. If these laws shall be implemented properly throughout the Pakistan then there will be surely decline in the cases related to women. The recent war of Afghanistan with Pakistan has surged economic tensions between both of the neighbouring countries. Therefore, 2025 was seen as a turning year for Pakistan.