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Current Affairs

Part-II

① Q:06:

Introduction:

Trump pullout from the Paris agreement have adverse implication on climate vulnerability increase, fossil fuel emission increases and increase in carbon cut. Developing countries also face shortfall of the climate funds. But in this case China and Europe emerge as global leaders. They decided to lead the world from the front so now they start initiate like green energy, EV's promotion, cut-down fossil fuel emission and want a development without harming climate.

Trump pullout from Paris Agreement

Implication on Future Climate:

Trump pullout from Paris agreement implication on future climate are very worse. The world already face drastic weather changes and it also increase in future. There are following more

(1) Lack of Global leadership in Climate agreements:

Any treaty full completion need a global leader when Trump pullout so this create a vacuum of leadership on COP 21 and Paris agreement so the world faces this void and US already emit 33% fossil fuel emission which badly impact now this is further increase when the US is not in any agreement

(2) Increase in fossil fuel emission Pollute climate more

Trump want a "Great America

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again" and he allow to use fossil fuel because cheap energy is important for development. The fossil fuel increase usage by US further increase green house gases emissions which further pollute the climate.

(3) Climate Vulnerability increased

In future the climate vulnerability increased because now already world face major drastic climate change like floods 2022, 2025 in Pakistan due to heavy monsoon rain and cloud burst, drought in Afghanistan. Now increase in carbon, GHG emission further increase the temperature and climate vulnerability increase further.

(4) Major climate challenges faced Globally:

Climate changes challenges face globally both in developed and developing world. Human has to

right to live safely but industrialization, and other transport vehicles emission can make it impossible to live in healthy environment. Hurricanes in china, earthquake in japan etc proved the major climate challenges.

(5) Promoting industrialization affect on climate adversely:

Due to trump pullout now US promote industrialization which may adversely affect on climate. because industrialization pollute the environment rapidly. So US policy of development need to promote industries which further increase in carbon emission. According to IPCC the temperature must be 1.7°C and now is 3°C .

(6) Smaller States followed US-Development Strategy and Neglect Climate:

When Developed world like US withdrawn from agreement

it also provide way to the developing world to grow without following agreement rules for their prosperity. and developing world only contribute 18% of total emission so the per capita already low.

(7) Paris Agreement Credibility Weakens:

when trump pullout from agreement it weakens the credibility of the agreement. because US as a global leader may motivate other nations to join agreement for future generation but when US is not a part of agreement it weakens the trust of other nations on agreement.

(8) Fund Shortage for climate vulnerable countries:

US under Obama was a major fund stakeholder with 22 B\$ for climate vulnerable

countries now when US withdraw it creates a fund shortage which increase the climate vulnerability in the developing countries like Pakistan and Afghanistan.

(a) Carbon-cut increases:

Carbon-cut quota allocated does not fulfill by any country in absence of global leadership which increase the carbon emission and affect the climate more

^{Potentially} **China and Europe Role:**

is they continue to achieve COP 21 Promise?

10- Emergence as Global Leaders in COP 21 agreement:

When US failed to lead the world in climate agreement then china and europe emerge

as global leaders and give a pathway to the developing world that climate agreement can be completed if the US is not in agreement.

Barack Obama said,

"Climate change is major threat for future generation".

11- Continue to cut-down fossil fuel emission:

China and Europe promise to cut down the fossil fuel emission and use other energy resources to meet their demand. China and Europe promise to cut 7%, 8% respectively in Paris agreement and plant more trees to decrease the affect of green house gases.

12- Non-Renewable Sources Usage for Energy:

China and Europe decided to use solar, wind, hydro power for electricity generation

China already shift its 50% energy on solar panels and install more instruments which decrease the carbon emission so this is positive step for the cop 21 agreement

13- EV's Promotion in China and Europe:

Both china and europe start to promote electric vehicles than oil engine. It is positive step worldwide to motivate other nations to do the same which reduce the climate vulnerability in the world.

14- Goal of Development with Cop 21 Protocols:

China and europe decided to go on development path with the cop 21 protocols and agreement which shows that they want development without polluting the world

Conclusion:

Trump pullout from Paris agreement created a vacuum but vacuum never remain empty. China and Europe decided to continue the promise of COP 21 with major steps like EU's promotion, lessing fossil fuels, set carbon quota, they start to develop their nation with abiding the rules of COP 21 which is the positive step for the world.

Q-05

Pak-KSA Defence

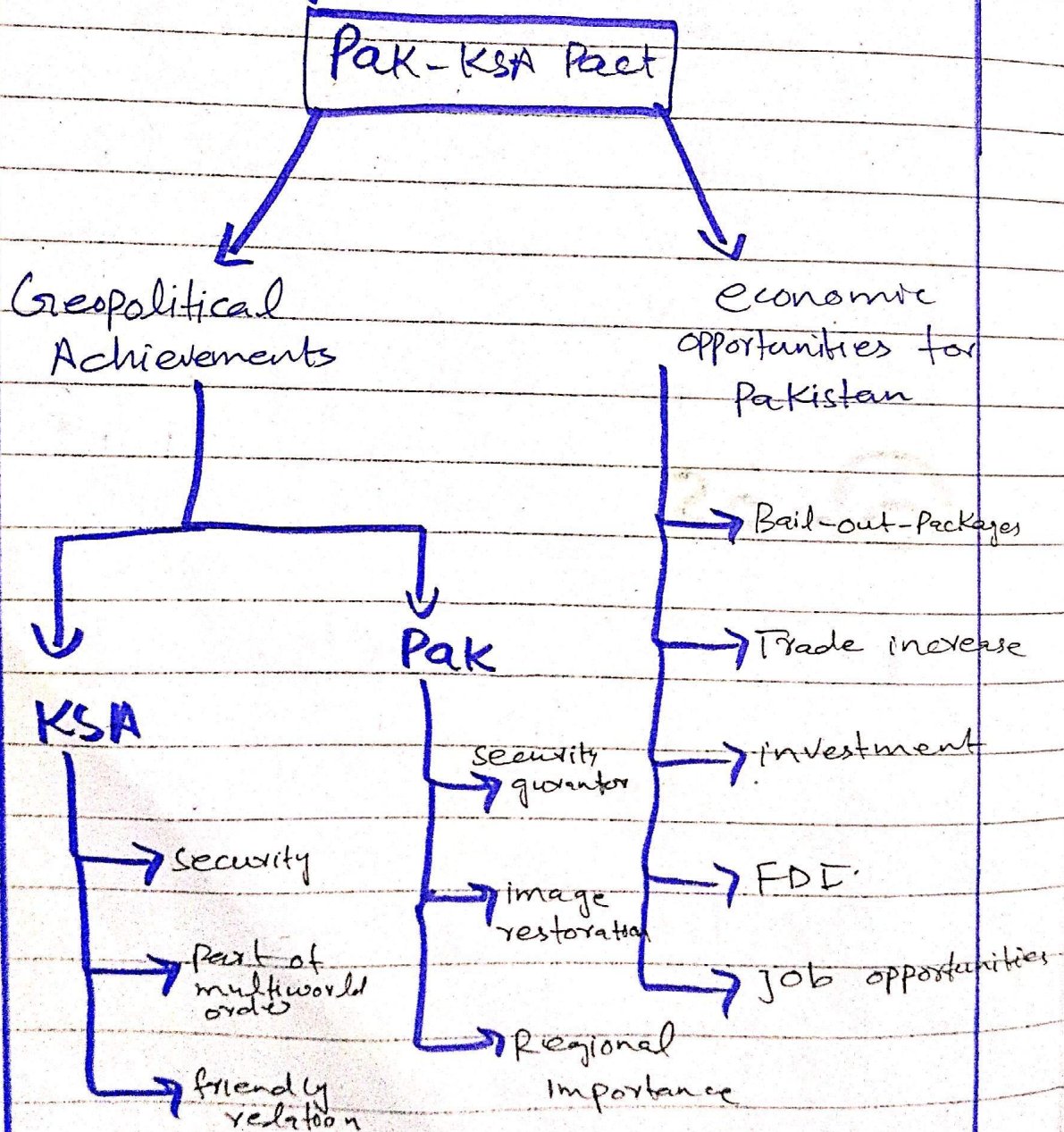
Pact:

introduction:

Pak-Saudi defence pact is important for both states. Both have geopolitical achievements like Pakistan

image restoration, emerge as a security guarantor and regional importance accepted and FDI increase, investment trade economically and for Saudi majority a security guarantee against Israel.

Summary:



Geopolitical Achievements:

(i) For Pakistan:

There are following achievements

(1) Emerge as Security Guarantor:

Pakistan emerge as security guarantor for KSA. so this can build as security image with its strong army. This security guarantee has much importance for Pakistan as Pak already lead IMCTC as chief of army staff. this can provide security importance.

(2) Regional importance increase:

Pakistan importance regional and in middle eastern countries increase because Pak protect KSA from Israel and Israel is the common threat in ME. so major defence Pact cover its nuclear umbrella provide to these KSA.

(3) Image Building of Pakistan

This defence pact has a major role in the image restoration after the Usama bin Ladin episode when world saw Pak as terrorist state but now Pak provide security guarantee to KSA which provide a positive image to the world

For KSA:

(1) Security Guarantee:

KSA major issue is solved which is security issue. Now the KSA under the Pakistan nuclear umbrella and major point of Pact like NATO.

"An attack against one considers the attack against others"

(2) Friendly Relations in Region like China:

KSA now have more friendly

relation with Pakistan regional friend
China. Now the major change
in relation of KSA with China.
So it decrease tensions for the
KSA in between the region
rivalries. So this pact is big
achievement for KSA to have
good relation with other nations

(3) KSA as Multiorder world

Believer :

This pact shows that KSA believe
in multiworld order and they
believe like China to grow with
other countries not a single
hegemony like US. so now the
KSA openly in multiworld order
states

Economic Opportunities

For Pak:

There are following economic
opportunities for Pakistan

(1) Bail-out Packages:

KSA provide many bail-out packages in past. so now there are much more chances to get more bail-out packages for Pakistan emerging economy. Pakistan receive 12B\$ Bail-out Package in past from KSA.

(2) Visa Relaxations:

In past, Pakistan has visa restriction due to begging blame of Pakistani people. now this is high opportunity to have a visa relaxation from KSA due to Pak-KSA defence pact.

(3) Job Opportunities:

when Pak-KSA under defence pact this may increase the job opportunity creation for Pakistan in KSA. By visa relaxation more people go to KSA for jobs and FDI increases.

(4) Increase FDI:

Foreign direct investment can be increased which provide a major throw for Pakistan economy. as the KSA 12 B \$ investment in Gwadar port

(5) Investment in Agriculture Sector:

KSA has major deserts so they seek agriculture land in other countries to meet their food demand so the investment in the agriculture sector increase further.

(6) Investment in Livestocks:

KSA majorly invest on the camels. they need land for the growth of livestock. in the southern sindh which can boost Pakistan economy.

(7) Trade Increase

Trade ^{may be} investment increase in Pakistan due to KSA confidence

Conclusion:

Pakistan - KSA defence pact not only provide nuclear umbrella but also it provides economic opportunities for Pakistan like FDI increase, job opportunities, visa relaxation investment increased in Pakistan and many other geopolitical achievements like security guarantor and major regional player which build a positive image of Pakistan.

3- Q:07:

introduction:

China has rare earth metals and US controlled chip which now emerge as new warfare between both world economic power. They use and dominate these against each other which have negative implications on the global

market, inflation increase and blocked the tech-development. They must cooperate each other for the development rather than blocking the way of development.

Future Trade War in China and US:

(i) Chip and Rare earth as New instrument of Warfare:

China and US trade war results in blocking the export of chip from US and in return China stop export of rare earth and they uses them as new instrument of warfare which they used against each other to defeat each other.

(ii) Shift to National Security Economics:

From comparative economy to the national security economics. Shift can reshape the future.

trade. This can halt the developing of both countries and in this rivalry of economics they destabilize their economy.

(3) De-coupling and De-Risking

in past both countries have trade of chip and rare earth metal majorly. US is a major market for china to sell their earth metal. They cooperate each other economy. But after the tariff war started they de-couple and which increase the risk of competition.

(4) Technology Containment

when US does not provide chip to china which is main thing in technology advancement so this can halted the technology and it contain and limitize in few countries which have chip control.

(5) Technological Self-reliance under Trade Pressure:

US implement 25% tariff on Chinese goods and halted chip trade this can shift China to self-reliance of technology. and China started to make their own technology independently. increase the technology competition.

(6) Collateral Damage of Great Power Rivalry:

Both great power rivalry has major collateral damage as China face deflation in their country and US-faced inflation heavily which is damaging their economies badly. and slow down their progress.

(7) WTO irrelevance:

World Trade Organization formed to control the tariff and promote free trade now this scenario can make irrelevant WTO in

the trade agreement as WTO only remain on paper as US break its rules openly.

(8) Rise of industrial Policies

when global powers rivalry increase it increase the industrial advancement. So they increase their industrialization for economic development but it negatively affect the climate and global market

(9) Risk of Cold war:

Both countries do not enter in full scale war but risk of cold war increase and support proxies which is major problem and decrease the stability of world due to cold war implications

(10) Global Market implications:

Global market is majorly disturb as US apply

tariffs on Pak 19%, India 50%,
Eu, 29% so this increase the
inflation and competition in global
market and de-stabilize economies

(11) Climate Transition at Risk:

Due to the trade war
in major world powers the
climate transition is at the
risk due to the higher
competition, industrialization, fossil
fuel emission and increase in
GHGs.

(12) Inflation increase:

Inflation increases due
to increase in the prices of
good due to higher tariffs
on imports. The commodities
are much more expensive and
world who rely on the imports
for daily goods have negative
effects which face higher
inflation in their countries.

(13) Innovation Blockage:

when US dominate chip and China dominance on rare earth metal and stop their trading so this halted the innovations and technological advancement in the world. so the trade war badly impacted on the innovations.

Conclusion:

Trade war between china and US due to the chip and rare earth metal using as warfare can increase the risk of cold war escalation. Both countries must use cooperative economy measures rather than rivalry because it can disturb the global world market.

Q:03

Introduction:

Dollar and Swift used as Weapon against Russia is major point that world must seek other currency swap mechanism so that no country used currency as a weapon against any country. So world must seek CIPS, BRICS like financial architecture for transactions.

(i) Dollar Hegemony and SWIFT as Pillars of Western Financial Power:

US always used dollar as hegemony of financial power to used against any country like EU and US used Swift and Dollar against Russia to defeat it war with Ukraine by freezing its assets and want to slow down the economy of Russia which badly impact in war with Ukraine.

(ii) Sanction on Russia: A Turning Point in Economic Warfare:

When US and EU apply sanctions on the Russia which become a major turning point in the economic warfare because the Russia is in war with Ukraine and US wanted that Russia lost the war so they apply sanction and freeze its dollar assets which is a message for global south ^{seeking} other currency bank.

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(ii) From Neutral Infrastructure to Political Instrument:

Swift and dollar in past is a neutral infrastructure globally but now like Iran freezing assets, Russia also facing same give a strong message that this transaction system is no more a reliable option. We must need other currency swap mechanism.

(iv) Strategic Shock for Global South economies:

Global South economies face a major strategic shock due to sanction faced by Russia that US can freeze any country asset by swift and dollar infra-structure. So this currency swap mechanism is not a reliable mechanism.

(v) Erosion of Trust in Western-Led Financial order:

This major breakthrough erode the trust of global south and other nations in the western led financial order. So they start thinking to have any other alternative method for transaction.

(vi) De-Dollarization Debate:

De-dollarization is the mechanism when currency is transacted in local currency not in dollar. So this need any

Strong financial architecture that can give a option to the world to go for De-dollarization

(vii) CIPS Payment Systems

CIPS is Chinese payment transaction mechanism that provide a method to trade in local currency vs Yuan.

and this is used by 47 countries in the world. this may alternative to dollar or swift

(viii) BRICS Vision of a Parallel Financial Architecture

BRICS also has a vision of introducing any financial architecture that can be in competition to the dollar so the world must shift their economy from dollar to their local currency which can decrease the dollar hegemony.

(IX) Diversification over Decoupling:

By using other currencies in transaction internationally brings diversification in the world. It decrease the dollar hegemony and increase the variety of different currencies to use widely. So there is need a local transaction systems.

(X) Challenges of Replacing Dollar and Swift:

Replacing dollar and swift is the not easy step it has many challenges faced by the countries because all energy trade is in dollar and it is trustable institution so the change of global shift is not an easy step so there must need a confidence building measures to challenge in replacing dollar and Swift.

Conclusion:

Russia faced Sanctions from US and EU which is clear message for the global south that US used dollar and Swift at anytime as warfare. So they must seek other transaction system to stop the future challenges from US and EU Swift and dollar hegemony tactics.