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What are main non-traditional security threats faced by Pakistan? How these threats are different in grounds and diverse in nature to address. Explain.

Introduction

Since the independence of Pakistan in 1947, it has been stuck in the quagmire of security threats. i.e. it would be traditional or non-traditional security threats. However, in the contemporary era, non-traditional security threats become more severe and threatening national security of the country. Some of the non-traditional security threats are climate change, terrorism, extremism, food insecurity and energy crisis. As these threats are diverse in nature, it stemming from

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different roots and need multi-faceted
ap. frame work. C. in order to address.
So, non-traditional security threats,
have a long array, each has
different breeding grounds making
it a complex issue to deal with.
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Background of Non-Traditional Security Threats

In the early years till 2000s,
Pakistan's main focus was traditional
security threats because
of the regional and security dynamics

1948

→ 1st war after
independence

Joining military
Alliances (CEATO,
SEATO)

1958-1971

1979-1989

→ Afghan Jihad
and cold war
spillover

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1990-2000s

→ Nuclear Test
and Sanctions

After 9/11 the focus shifted toward countering terrorism that is a non-traditional security threat. With the passage of time, other threats also become eminent and threaten national security.

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What are non-traditional security threats?

Non-traditional security threats are the challenges posed to human and state well-being other than conventional military attack. Such as climate change, pandemic, food security, terrorism and extremism, energy crisis and human trafficking.

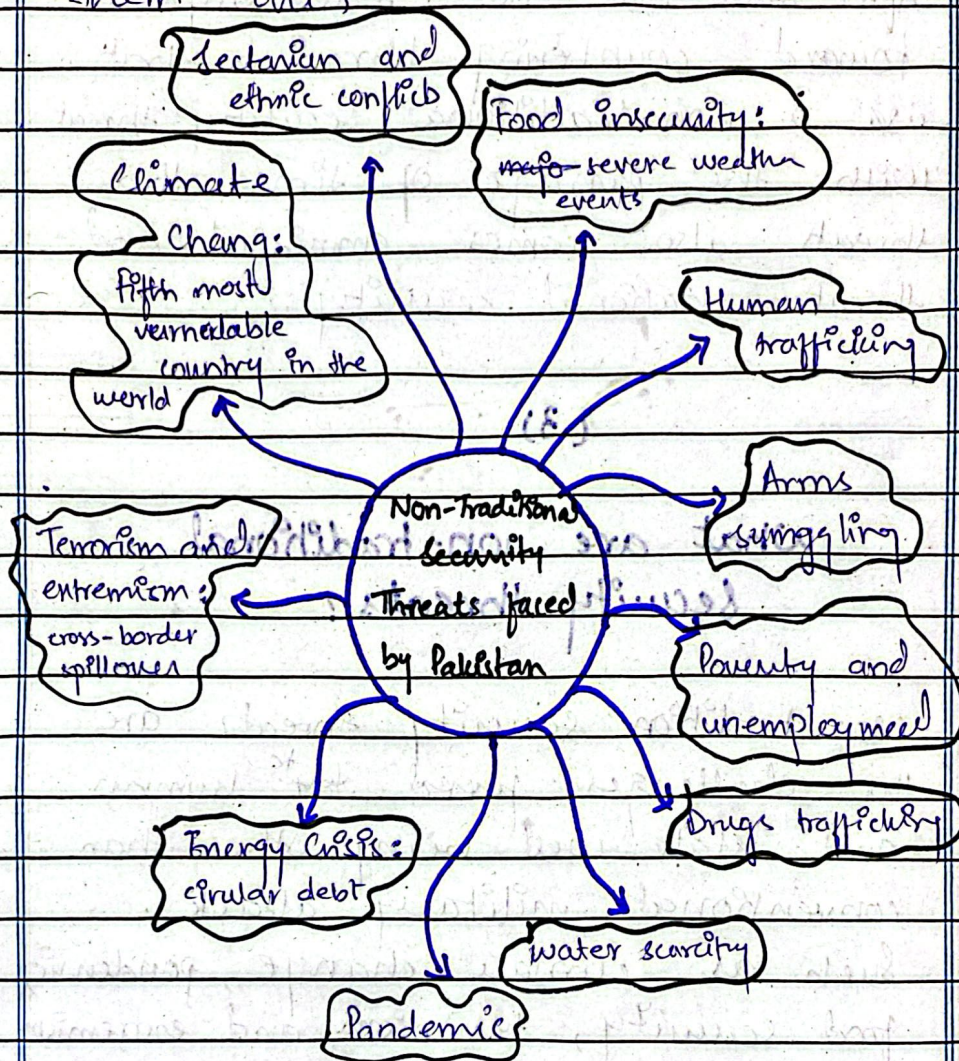
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Non-Tradition Security
Threats Faced by Pakistan

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Pakistan is facing a list of non-traditional security threats that have led to political and economic instability. Some of them are;



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How these Threats are
Different in Grounds and
Diverse in Nature to Address

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How threats are
different in ground and
diverse in nature.

Stem from
different
roots

Threatening
humans and state
in different
ways

Differentiated
but far-reaching
impacts

(a)

Stems from Different
Roots

Each threat has diverse origin.
For instance, climate change emerges
as an impact of global warming.
On the other hand, terrorism and
extremism roots are traced back
in Afghan Jihad. Similarly, each
non-traditional security threat has
different origin from the other.

Climate Change

Terrorism
and
ExtremismPoverty and
unemployment

Global warming
Rise in average
temperature of
global → altering
rainfall patterns, melting
glaciers, rising sea
level

Spillover
of Afghan
Jihad and
consistent in-
stability in
Afghanistan

Results of
economic
instability,
• increasing
debt and
reduce FDI

(b)

Threatening Human Security and State Well-Being in Different Ways

As the origin of the threats are diverse, the threats they impose are also different from one another. For instance, terrorism and extremism poses a threat of increased militancy, fuel non-state actors activities, and in elevated numbers of terror attack whereas, climate change threatens

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economic growth and development, by increasing burden of internally displaced people, destroyed infrastructure and damage crops, also it contribute in ~~harm~~ food insecurity.

Threats posed by
Terrorism
and
Extremism

Increased militancy

Increased suicide Bombing

Activate non-state actors

Fuel sectarian and ethnic
(2) conflicts

Threats
posed by
Climate Change

Damaged Infrastructure

Life loss and livestock loss

Damaged crops: food insecurity

Internally displace people

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Differential but For Reaching
Impacts

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Non-Traditional security threats have multidimensional impacts affecting the state's economy, political stability and national integration. Threats and impacts are of the threats are complex and overlapping still has a major area which effected the most such as climate change impacted human security and economic stability while terrorism and extremism affected the national and territorial integration.

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Conclusion

In a nutshell, there is a vast array of complex and multifaceted non-traditional security threats. These threats require a comprehensive policy framework in order to address as they have diverse roots and are overlapping in nature. Hence, non-traditional security threats have potential to damage any country more than conventional military conflict.