

QNO 2

Privatization is inevitable as State Owned Enterprises have been a huge burden

Answer

1- Introduction

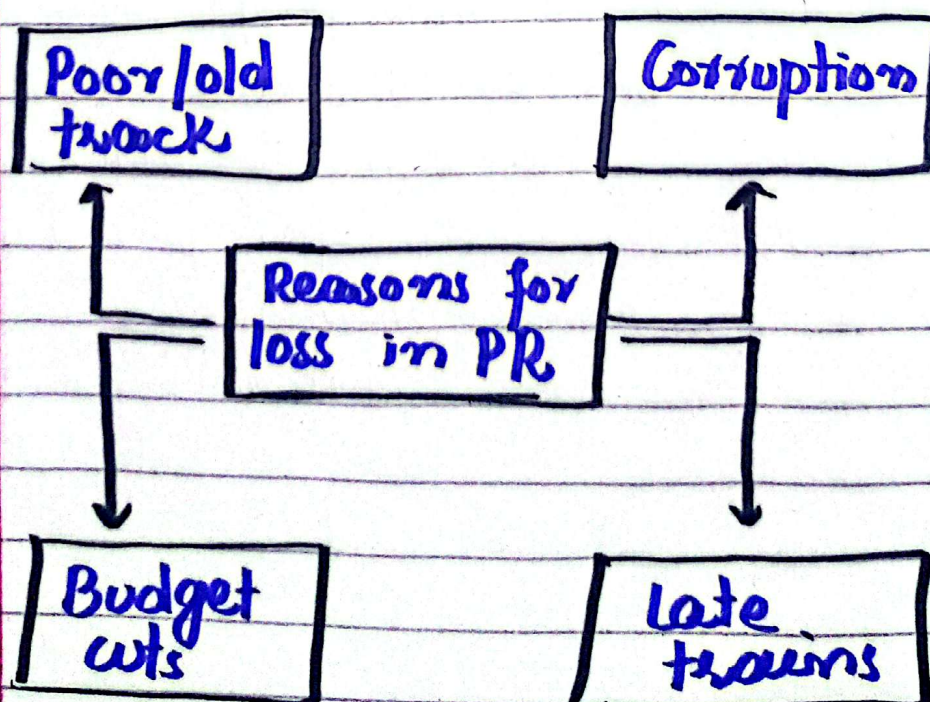
Privatization is inevitable as various state owned enterprises have been a huge burden on the economy of Pakistan. Many factors contribute to this loss, and it is seen that enterprises get more benefits when it is privatized. Moreover, in the history of Pakistan, the country also got benefit after privatization of enterprises. There are some recommendations that a country can adopt to make its enterprises more profitable and less loss.

2. List of state owned Enterprises making loss:

Pakistan owns 103 state-owned enterprises which are bounder loss and not provide benefit to the country. These include:

- Pakistan Railways
- Peshawar Electric Supply Company
- Quetta Electric Supply Company
- National Highways Authority

2.1- Reasons contribute to loss in Pakistan Railways



2.2. Reasons for loss in Electric Supply Companies



3. Loss in SDEs of Pakistan:

From 2018 to 2022, Pakistan lost **\$4.1B** in SDEs greater than investment in health (**\$3.3B**) and education (**\$2.8B**)

4. Privatization of enterprises and its profit Pakistan gained:

Pakistan privatized some of its enterprises in the past, and it is gaining more profit. It includes:

1- Banks → Muslim Commercial Bank
→ Habib Bank limited
→ United Bank limited

2- Electric supply → Kawachi Electric supply

3- Airline → Pakistan International Airlines

4.1- Improvements and benefits Pakistan earned after privatization in banks:

In 1990, Pakistan privatized banks. Now, these banks are doing well.

MCB paid PKR 29 Billion in taxes due to high profit.

4.2 Profits earned through privatization of electric supply:

Before privatization:

Karachi

Electric had 34% losses due to theft and mismanagement.

After privatization:

Losses dropped to 15%.



K-E earned PKR 8.4B



Paid PKB 2.8B
in taxes

5. Analysis of the statement
from the given facts

Advantages of
Privatization

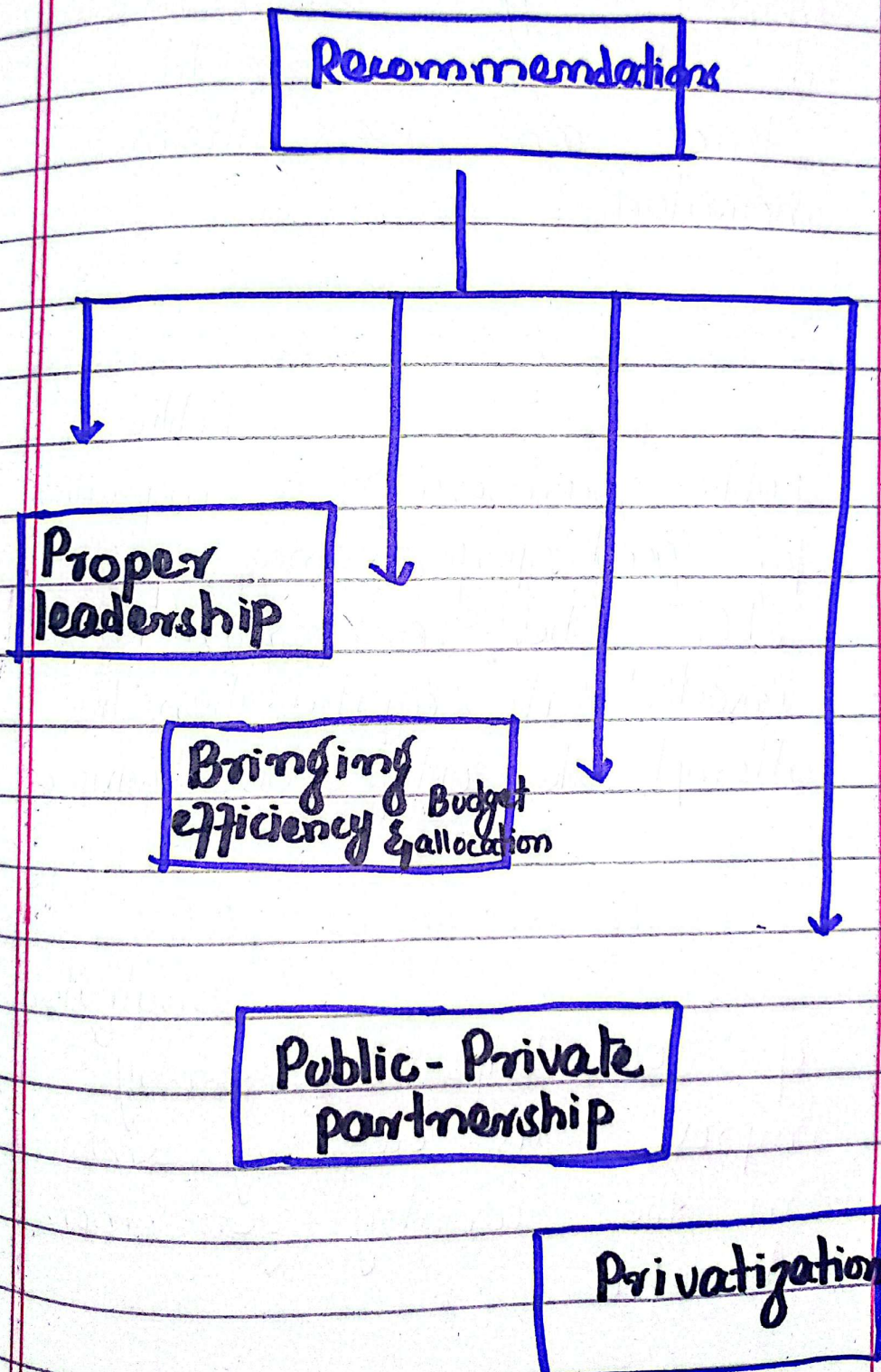
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graph TD; A[Advantages of Privatization] --> B[More profit]; A --> C[Better service]; A --> D[More efficient];
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More
profit

Better service

More efficient

6- Recommendations for better performance of state owned enterprises



6.1. Proper leadership:

For better performance of enterprises, good leadership is essential element. A good leader makes its team on the right track and keeps them motivated.

6.2. Public-private partnership:

Public-private partnership is imperative for good performance of SOEs. When a person is invested its capital, then he attempts to uplift his business.

6.3. Privatization of SOEs:

Privatization of SOEs helps the country improve its economy and the country gets more benefit.

7- Conclusion:

To conclude, privatization is inevitable as many state owned enterprises have been a huge burden for the country's economy. Many factors are contributed to the loss of enterprises, however, this loss can be prevented by adopting some ameliorative measures.

QNO 4

Russia and NATO opposite stances on Ukraine's war. Trump has different stance. Analyze the situation and give recommendations.

Answer

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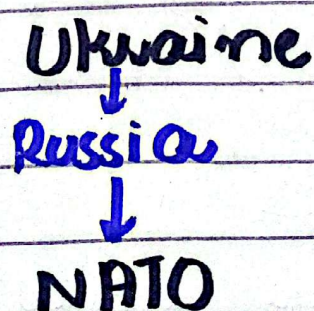
The opposing stances of Russia and NATO to end Ukraine war ~~was~~ ~~marks~~ create a complicated scenario. The Russian stance of Ukraine annexation of its territory, demilitarization of Ukraine angers the NATO. On the other hand, NATO not only opposes the ~~the~~ Russian stance, but also stands by the Ukraine in its war against Russia. The whole scenario takes a twist, when the main member of NATO - the USA - appreciates the Russian stance. Thus, this never-ending conflict having opposite stances can be resolved if adopted

ameliorative measures.

2. Russian stance to end the Ukrainian war:

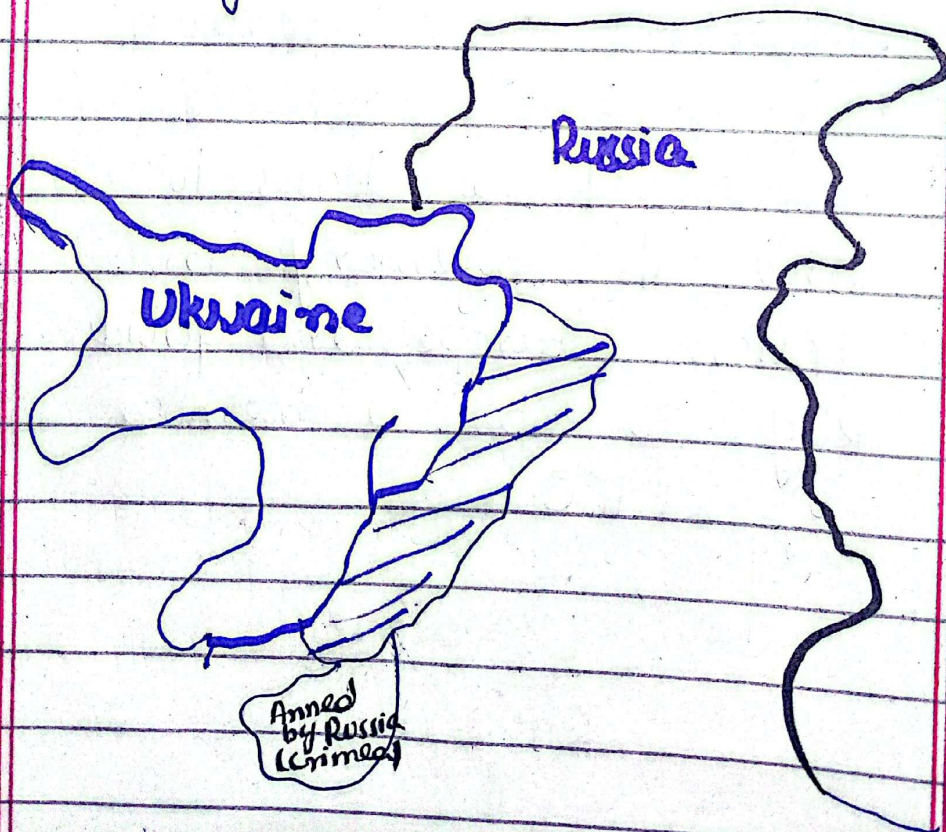
2.1- Russia does not want (NATO) Ukraine to be a member of NATO:

Russia
- the Kremlin- does not want Ukraine to be a member of NATO to prevent influence of Western Europe into Eastern Europe. Russia desires to have its hegemony in Eastern Europe, and forbids any to be a member of NATO.



2.2- Kremlin stance to retain annexed Ukrainian territory:

The Kremlin intends to retain the annexed Ukrainian territory. Russia claims to have annexed 19-20% of Ukraine territory including Crimea, Luhansk Oblast, Donetsk Oblast, Kharkiv Oblast and many other cities.



2-3- Russia intends to demilitarize Ukraine:

Russia intends to demilitarize Ukraine. The Kremlin desires that Kiys have few militarization instead of a fully developed militarized state.

3- NATO stance on Russia-Ukraine war:

The North-Atlantic Treaty Organization have different stance from that of Russia, and it supports Ukraine in Russia-Ukraine war. Moreover, NATO does not clear that it either provides NATO membership to Ukraine or not.

NATO stance on Russia-Ukraine war is given:

NATO stance

Ukraine
is a sovereign
state so its
territory must
be returned

Demilitarization
of Ukraine
violates the
sovereignty of
Ukraine

Ukraine can
make its own
decision of being
NATO member
without external
interference

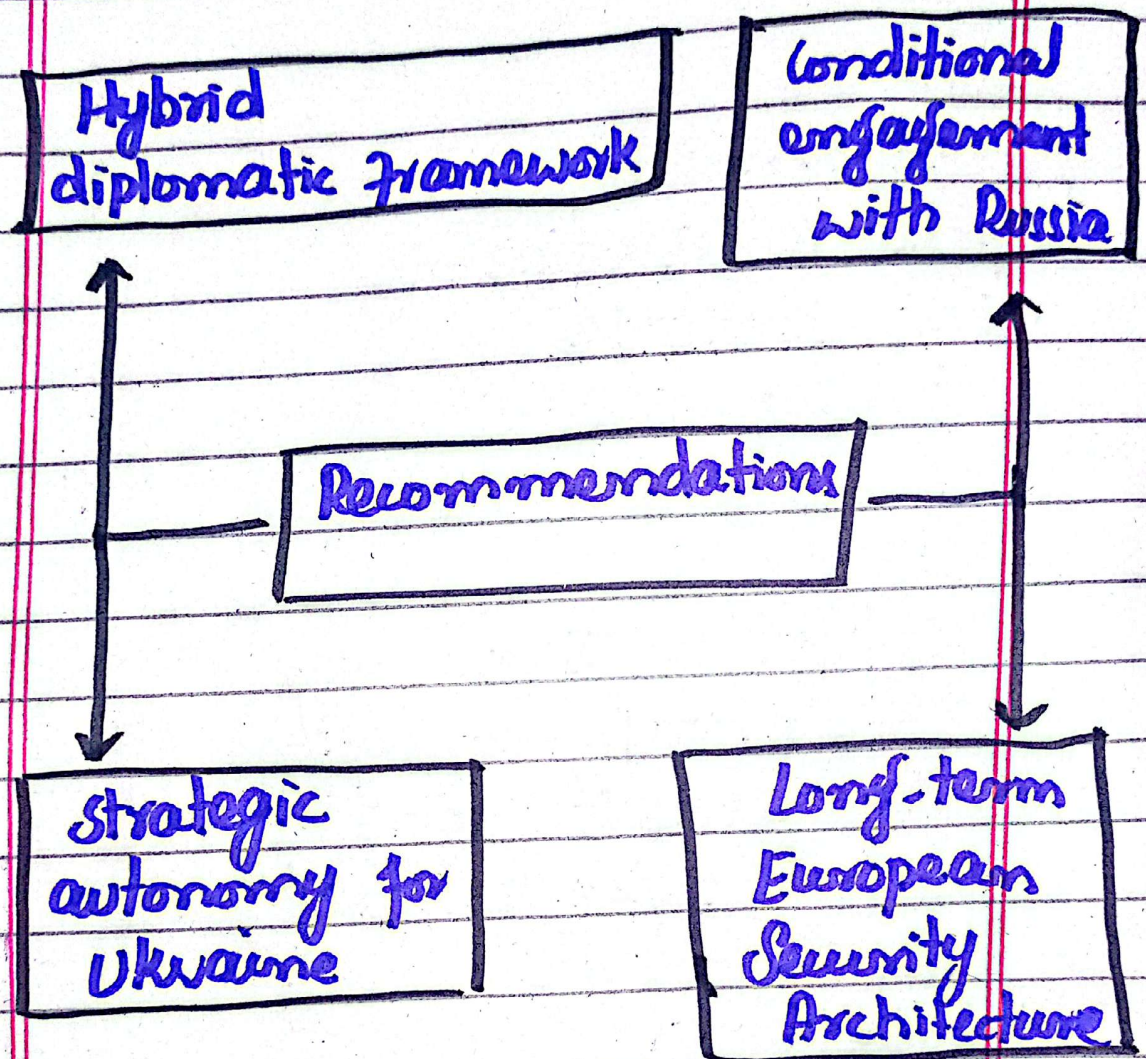
4- Trump stance opposite
to NATO:

↓
Willingness to
pressure Ukraine
into territorial
compromise

↓
Views war
through a cost-
benefit and
transactional
lens

↓
Pressurize Ukraine
to sign peace
agreement on
its terms

5. Recommendations to end Russia-Ukraine war:



5- Conclusion:

Russia-NATO having opposite stances to end Ukrainian war seems to create more

problems in peace agreement. Both Russia and Ukraine seem not to compromise on their points. However, Trump in order to pursue his agenda is clearly seen to end this war, opposing to NATO. Given the conditions, the war between two countries does not seem to end. There some possibility exists that the war may end if some ameliorative measures are adopted.

QNO 5

Pakistan-KSA defense pact have far reaching geo-political achievement for both countries and economic opportunities for Pakistan.

Answer

1- Introduction:

Pakistan and Saudi defense pact have far reaching geo-political achievement for both countries. It provides Saudi a military strong country globally and makes its security even stronger in the wake of disturbances in the Middle-East. Moreover, Pakistan globally position as a strong

military and good defence system has also improved. It also enhances the economic opportunities for Pakistan. Hence, Pakistan-KSA defence pact has strong geo-political achievement for both countries and economic opportunities for Pakistan.

2. Factors contributed to Pak-KSA defence Pact :

Many factors contributed to Pak-KSA defence pact are given below:

2.1. Historical strong military relations:

Pak-KSA has been in a strong military relation over a long history.

Saudi-Arabia said;

It is just formalization
of long history defence
relation

2.2. Disturbances in the Middle-East:

The conflict
in the Middle-East has
forced KSA to find its
security.

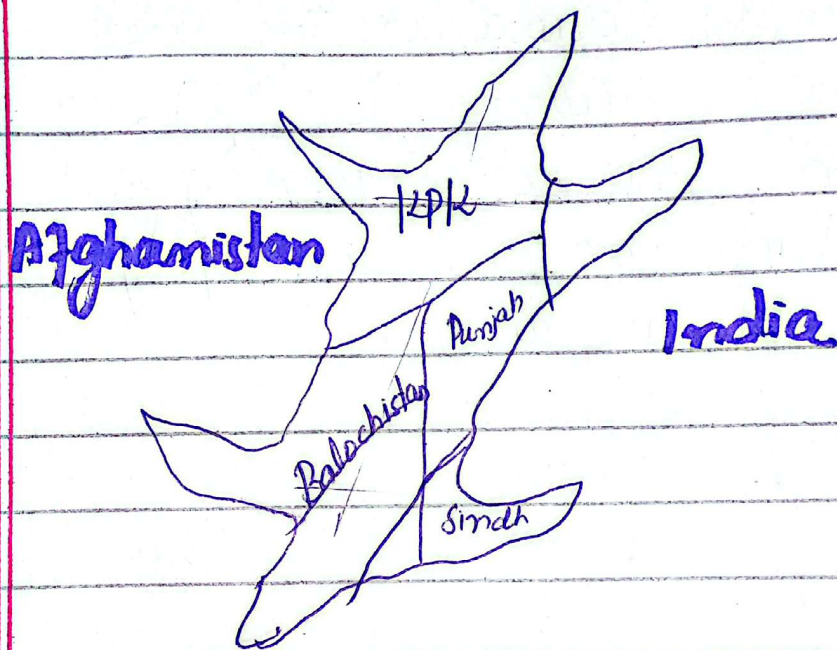
The New-Times writes:

US credibility as a
security guarantor
wanes after Israeli
attack on Qatar

2.3. Regional conflict in South-Asia:

Pakistan
has its borders with India

and Afghanistan. Both countries does not have good relation with Pakistan. Pakistan has been in a conflict in the year 2025.



3- Geo-political achievement for both Pak-KSA:

Both

Pakistan and KSA have far reaching geo-political achievements in wake of defense pact.

3.1- Defense pact provides security to KSA:

In the wake of Israeli attack on Qatar, Saudi Arabia attempted to find another security guarantor. This pact provides security to KSA, and no other country will attack on its sovereignty. As it is said i.

An attack on one country is considered an attack on other country

3.2- Defense pact improves Pakistan global positioning as a strong military and security guarantor:

Pak-KSA defense pact improves

Pakistan global positioning as
a security guarantor.

As deputy Prime Minister
Ishaq Dar said;

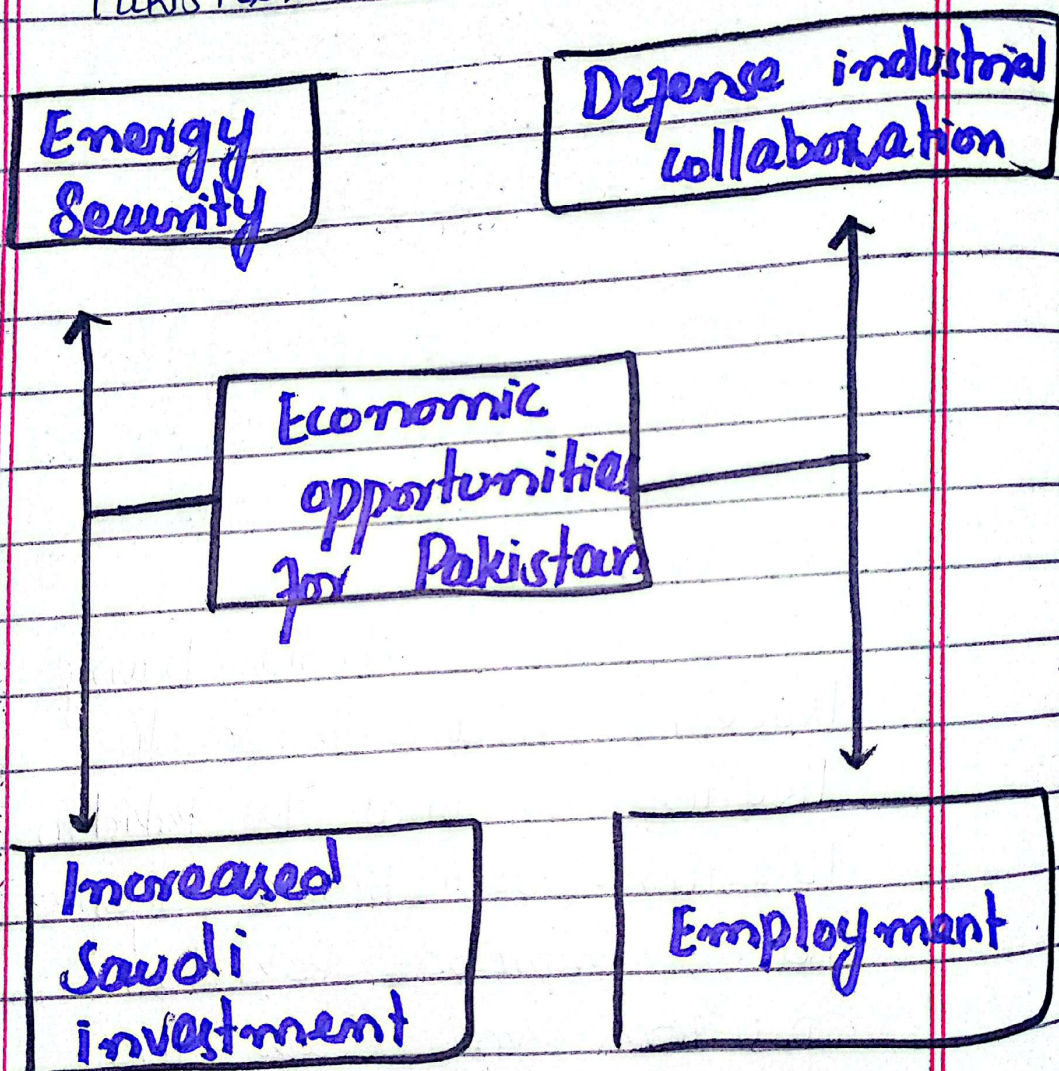
Other gulf countries
are open to join
defense pact

3.3. Defense pact provides
Pakistan improved position
in South-Asia contrary
to India:

India having
trade partner with Saudi
Arabia is rival to Pakistan.
Pakistan-Saudi Arabia defense
pact improved Pakistan
position in South Asia
region.

4. Economic opportunities for Pakistan:

Pakistan-Saudi defence pact contains economic opportunities for Pakistan.



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Conclusion:

To conclude, Pakistan-Saudi defense pact has numerous reasons including historical perspectives and current regional disturbances. These pacts, in turn, have far-reaching geo-political achievements which include regional security. These pact has also economic opportunities for Pakistan as great employment and energy security. Hence, Pakistan-KSA contains geo-political achievements.
