

Q.2

Privitization is inevitable. as state owned Enterprises have been a huge burden for the budgetary economy of Pakistan. Analyze the statement and give recommendations.

Answer

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Introduction

Pakistan loses billions of dollars every year to run State Owned Enterprises. Enterprises that are owned by State like PIA, etc. have reached a point where it shows no sign of improvement whatsoever. Therefore privitization of these Enterprises is inevitable as the burden on budgetary economy of Pakistan. Reasons for less efficiency of these enterprises are continuous loss of production and less productivity and profitability. These organizations should be privitized to make more profits, reduce corruption, and improve the welfare of public. This can be done by easing investment opportunities for international investors, easing the investment process and making more companies that are more efficient.

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# 1 Less Efficiency of State Owned Enterprises

## 1.1) Continuous Dwelling in Losses

Government Enterprises

have seen continuous loss in last few decades. This happened due to many factor like political instability, economic crisis. Auctioning them like recent PIA Auction can improve the performance. The new owner Arif Habib showed determination to revive the PIA reputation it had in 1960s.

## 1.2) Center of Corruption

State owned Enterprises,

where accountability lacks, become hub of corruption. These corrupt individuals and groups weakened the ~~the~~ organization and creates hurdles. Many cases were reported where corruption was reported from upper to lower level. Recent scandal of false degree holder recruits in PIA raises serious concerns.

## 1.3) Less Productivity, More Paper-Work

These Enterprises, due

to ~~less~~ lack of improvement and innovation, depends on old method of manual paper work and takes even months to move files from one office to another. Public faces hurdles daily in Public Offices due to less productivity and more paperwork.

## 2 Why State Owned Enterprises Should be Privatized.

### 2.1) Corporate Culture: Taking ~~more~~ More Profit by Less Resources

By privatizing these enterprises, a ~~profound~~ change in the system will ~~change~~ change the mindset of employees. People get paid by how much they work. Initiative like giving extra pays for high achievements and bonuses encourages employees to work hard. In EBR, system of upto 4 extra salaries depending on achieving monthly goals proved effective.

### 2.2) Reduction in Corruption

In private entities, the employees run the system by having strong check and balances. This reduces any chance of corruption to exist in system. Proper ethical training and workshops are arranged to encourage employees to work ethically and morally. This reduces corruption in enterprises.

### 2.3) Welfare of Public

Through privatization, the main goal of public welfare is achieved. The enterprise under the government brands run by private entities improves government image in public eyes. Public experience efficiency in public offices. Citizens feel satisfied and bettered in their lives.

## Recommendations for Easing The Transition

### 3) Easing Investment Opportunities

#### 3.1) Easy Business Run Policies

For transitioning from government to private owned Enterprises strong policies for easing any hurdles for investors must be taken place. National as well as international investors should be given whole overview & enterprise for their understanding and increasing investment.

#### 3.2) Open Doors for International Investors

International investors should be helped out in the process of investing in these enterprises. Low taxes and less paper-work can provide good impression on investors. Happy international investors also attract other investors to do the same.

#### 3.3) Auction More State Owned Enterprises

More Enterprises that are yielding losses should be privatized. Auctions of enterprises like recent auction of NIT should be done for removing extra burden on budgetary economy. Privatization gives economy a boost and stability.

## 4) Better Management of State Owned Enterprises

### 4.1) Appointment of Technocrats

State owned enterprises which cannot be privatized like BIC, FIA should be managed well. Employees should be given proper training and regular seminars should be taken place inviting leaders. Highly skilled technocrats should be appointed on main job positions for effective and efficient working.

### 4.2) Improving Organization

Inculcating and improving the organization in an Enterprise by innovative and creative ideas. Extra unnecessary paperwork and less productive mini-system should be removed. New modern and digital systems should be introduced for effective working and efficient environment.

### 4.3) Strengthening Accountability System

Strong checks and balance of accountability system must be implemented for stopping corruption. Proper security system and Audit system should be implemented for case capturing individuals and groups involved in corruption and bribe.

Conclusion:-

Privatization is inevitable because of less efficiency, continuous losses, and corruption in state owned enterprises. This is possible by easing investment opportunities, easing investment policies and auctioning more state owned enterprises. By this way, the budgetary economy of Pakistan will strengthen and these organizations will start strengthening economy.

Q.4

Russia and NATO have outrightly opposing stance on how to end Ukraine's war. Trump on the other hand has different stance from NATO leader. Critically analyze the situation and give recommendations.

Answer

Russia, NATO, and Trump stance on ending Ukraine's War.

Introduction:-

In Feb 2022, when Russia launched full scale war on Ukraine. Nobody thought how this war will end. Russia's continues aggression and efforts to advance in Ukraine has damaged Ukraine alot. Russia accepts to end war only if Ukraine accept neutrality condition, get access to Black Sea and NATO stopped involvement in the conflict. On the other hand, NATO is strongly supporting Ukraine to resist the aggression, and wants to implement democracy us government in Ukraine and to force Russia to leave Ukraine. However, despite being the strongest NATO ally, President of US, Donald Trump, made it clear that US is spending too much on external conflicts. He wants to end war through peace deal.

## 1) Russia's Stance

### 1.1) Ukraine Accept Condition of Neutrality.

~~Russia~~ The reason Russia attacked Ukraine is because of Ukraine's effort to become part of European Union and ultimately NATO. Russia wants Ukraine to stay neutral as Ukraine is the center between NATO states and Russia. Russia ~~want~~ wants Ukraine to give up its efforts to be a part of EU and become neutral like Georgia.

### 1.2) Access to Black Sea

Russia, despite having a large border with sea, unable to do trade through it due to freezing temperature in Arctic ocean. Therefore, accessing Black Sea can give Russia an opportunity to trade through Mediterranean sea to the whole world, which is great economic success for Russia.

### 1.3) No Involvement of NATO in Ukraine

Due to ideological conflict, Russia never wants NATO to come close to its border. Therefore, Russia wants Ukraine to be ground of neutrality between NATO and Russia.

## 2) NATO's Stance

### 2.1) Supporting Ukraine to Resist Russia's Aggression

NATO never left Ukraine side from start of war. NATO wants the end of Ukraine war, by forcing Russia to leave Ukraine. Therefore, NATO support economic and weapons to Ukraine to attack within Russia to keep Russia from entering Ukraine.

### 2.2) Russia Must Leave Ukraine

NATO looks at Russia as an expansionist which will capture Ukraine. Therefore, NATO want Russia to totally leave Ukraine and not touch Black Sea. ~~or~~ ~~the~~ ~~Western~~ Russia stance is that it is Ukraine-Russia internal matter.

### 2.3) Democracy as Governance in Ukraine.

NATO wants to promote its ideology in Ukraine to make it part of EU which will help EU economically, socially, politically and geopolitically. By implementing their form of governance in Ukraine, NATO wants Ukraine to be just like another western liberal capitalist state which will have mutual benefits with NATO countries.

### 3) Trump's Stance

#### 3.1) America spend large Amount of Money on Ukraine

America is reluctant to help Ukraine fully because of large budget of US goes to the war. As US is the biggest economy in NATO countries, therefore it has to spend largest amount on war. Trump when met with Zelensky, seen unsatisfied with Ukraine efforts against Russia.

#### 3.2) Peace Deal

Like many other Peace done by US, Trump tries to stop the war like he mediated between Pakistan-India, Palestine Issue, Azerbaijan-Armenia. He presented peace deal to President Putin and President Zelensky, however it failed.

#### 3.3) To keep US out of Conflict, to avoid WW-III

US learns that its too much involvement in the war will convert it direct to Russia. Which can take it back to cold war which ended in 1980s. Therefore, US just support Ukraine through weapons and financially but reluctant to help militarily.

## 4) Recommendations

### 4.1) Ukraine Adopt Neutrality

If Ukraine adopt neutrality, then Russia will stop the war. NATO countries will have no lose in this. The war will end for unforeseeable time. ~~The~~ During that time a permanent solution can be implemented through mediation and dialogues by mutual understanding of all stakeholders.

### 4.2) Mediation by Third Party

Mediation by countries that are accepted by all stakeholders like Turkey, Saudi Arabia etc can definitely stop the war. Despite failed mediation in Turkey last year it can be proved fruitful if all stakeholders sit on one table and dialogue.

### 4.3) Reducing Non-State Actors Involvement

Both NATO and Russia hire non-state actors to fight each other. These non-state actors penetrate in other's territory and can damage immensely. Therefore, this strategic involvement of non-state actors must be stopped.

## Conclusion

NATO wants Russia to leave Ukraine. Whereas Russia wants Ukraine to accept condition of neutrality. However, Trump is of the thought that US is spending immensely and resisted to involve in war and want peace deal. Therefore, Ukraine war can end by mediation, reducing non-state actors and Ukraine acceptance of a neutrality condition.

Q5

Pale-USA Defence Pact would have  
P<sub>a</sub> for reaching geopolitical achievement  
for both the countries and economic  
opportunities for Pakistan.

Answer

Pale-USA Defence Pact's Geopolitical  
Achievements for both the Countries.

Introduction

Sudden changing in geopolitical  
situation, when Israel attack on Qatar  
made Saudi Arabia thought of securing  
any attack on her. Saudi Arabia, just  
after two days of attack, meet with  
Pakistan government and signed Defence Pact.  
Pakistan has achieved a strong image  
of military leader, disappointed its rival-India,  
and enhanced its relation with US through  
this deal. On the other hand Saudi Arabia  
got Nuclear Umbrella countered any  
future threat from Israel in its  
territory and also enhanced as a leader  
in Islamic bloc. Economic opportunities  
for Pakistan are international investment,  
investors for state owned enterprises,  
employment for skilled labors and strong  
friendship reputation for employment in USA.

## 1) Achievement for Pakistan

### 1.1) Pakistan's Image as a Strong Military Partner for World.

Pakistan has proved to be a leader for military protection. Saudi's reliance on Pakistan proved a thought to neighboring non-nuclear countries to partner with Pakistan for security. Countries like Qatar, Oman and Kuwait view Pakistan as strong <sup>Muslim</sup> military partner.

### 1.2) Disappointment for India

Despite having strong relations with India, Saudi and Pakistan Muslim Brotherhood made it clear that at the end Pakistan is a trusted partner for Saudi Arabia. India, having large economic market, failed to prove that it can be a trusted friend.

### 1.3) Strong Relations with US

After the agreements US observed that countries in Gulf look toward Pakistan for security measures. This creates US effect that despite strong relations with US, these countries stay in Muslim bloc brotherhood. Therefore, importance of Pakistan has enhanced for US as a geo-political partner.

## 2) Achievements for KSA

### 2.1) Nuclear Umbrella

After the agreement, Saudi Arabia feels secured because it is not at nuclear threat from Israel which can destabilise any economy. By having nuclear umbrella, KSA is now confident regarding its sovereignty and security of its territory. It made it clear now that any attack on KSA is an attack on Palestine, which is indirect call for nuclear war.

### 2.2) Countered Israel's Threat

KSA countered Israel's threat through this defence deal. Any future invasion on Saudi Arabia by Israel is not expected. As attack on Saudi Arabia confronts Israel directly to Palestine. This deal has made the message clear to Israel and USA that KSA doesn't depend on them for security protection.

### 2.3) Strong Islamic Bloc

After the deal, Iran also appreciated the deal, despite having sectarian conflict with Saudi Arabia. This strengthened the friendship between Muslim countries. They now focus on making a strong unity among Muslim nations.

## Economic Opportunities for Pakistan

### 3) Investment Opportunities

3.1) KSA investment in Different sectors  
After the deal with USA,  
which has strong economic reserve due  
to oil, will invest in different sectors  
like agricultural sector, power sector,  
IT sector and Textile sector which  
will give boost to Pakistan economy as  
a state and provides more employment.

3.2) Investors for State Owned Enterprises  
Pakistan, facing losses in  
state owned enterprises, are now looking  
for investors from KSA to invest and  
run the enterprises. This will lower the  
burden on budgetary economy of Pakistan  
and attracts investment.

3.3) Strong Economic Relation for Citizens  
of Both countries

By strong relations, both  
countries have seen stability in relations  
for long term. Therefore, investing in each  
other can be productive, and profitable  
without caring about instability.

## 4) Employment Opportunities

### 4.1) Employment for Skilled Labourers

KSA, which has a large construction industry, hires workers and skilled labourers across the world like plumbers, electricians, construction worker and IT professionals. This deal strengthened the relationship and Saudi Govt towards hiring more people from Pakistan.

### 4.2) Scholarships for Pakistani Students

This deal also help Pakistani student for their higher education, like undergraduate, post graduate and PH.Ds. KSA announced large number of scholarships for different countries. This deal will enhance the number of seats for Pakistani students as relations strengthen.

### 4.3) Strong Reputation for Employment in KSA

KSA, an arabian nation, looks towards Pakistan with warmth and respect after the deal which means better economic and social changes will occur in Pakistanis in Saudi Arabia.

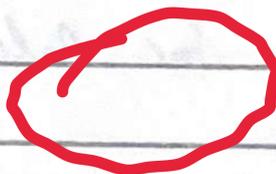
### Conclusion:-

Pakistan achieved a strong image of military leader and enhanced its relations with US through the deal. On the other hand, USA got nuclear umbrella, countered any future threat from Israel. Pakistan achieved economic opportunities like investment, employment, investors for state owned enterprises. By strong cross cultural and economic partnership, brotherhood between Pak and Sudan-Arabia is long-lived.

Q2  
Critically evaluate Gaza Peace plan  
and the chances of its success. Also  
analyze the policy of Islamabad regarding  
the plan and its possible fallout on  
Pakistan.

Introduction:-

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# 1) Gaza Peace Plan

1.1) Trump, Israel and Muslim Bloc Agreement

1.2) Solidarity for Palestinians Across  
the Globe

1.3) Hamas Resist to Give up Weapons  
Production.

## 2) Chances of its Success

2.1) Success is Short-Term

2.2) Hamas Political Activeness

2.3) Israel's Violations of Deal Plans

### 3) Islamabad's Policy

3.1) Two State Solution

3.2) End to Humanitarian crisis

3.3) End of War

4) Fallouts of Palestine

4.1) Implementation of Forces in Gaza

4.2) Pakistan emerged as a leader

4.3) Soft stance between Pakistan and Israel.