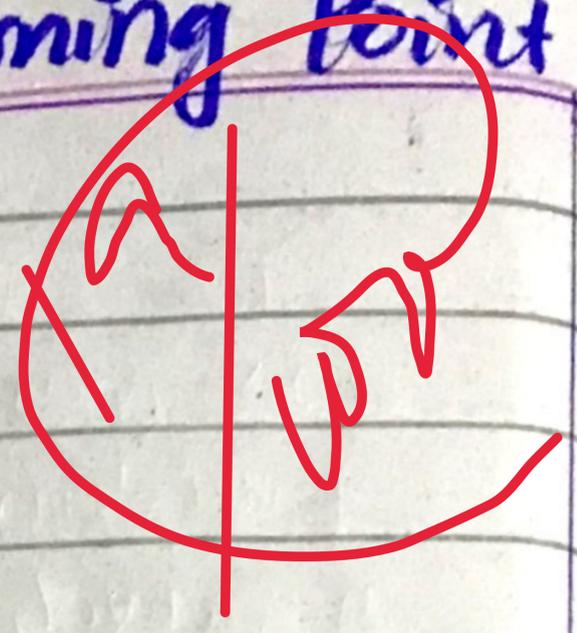


# The Year 2025 -- Turning Point For Pakistan.



## 1- Introduction

## 2- Significance of 2025 for Pakistan as a Turning point

- (2.1) Military success for Pakistan  
(war with India in May, 2028)
- (2.2) The year of soft diplomacy.  
(Acknowledgement of Trump's role in cease fire and Noble prize candidature).
- (2.3) Enhancement of Pakistan's geopolitical significance  
(J. Meashiemer analysis and US acknowledgement of Pakistan as a strategy counter terrorism partner)
- (2.4) Elevation of Pakistan to the status of regional security guarantor  
(Pak-Saudi defense agreement and Arab news)

Points do not signify a specific significant shift.

(2.5) Reconciliation of Pak-US relationship (Pakistan's foreign minister interview to CNN)

(2.6) Strategic and economic partnership with Bangladesh and the isolation of India.

### 3 Issues that Marked a Turning Point for Pakistan in 2025

(3.1) Security challenges faced by Pakistan.  
(Terrorism, India and Afghanistan)

How are these a turning point for Pakistan. They are a constant occurrence how do they mark a shift??

(3.2) Political instability in Pakistan.  
(Justice Athar Minallah's remarks)

(3.3) Socio-economic problems faced by Pakistan.  
(Global Rule of law Index, HRCP report, Unemployment report)

### 4 The Opportunities Presented by 2025 for the Future of Pakistan

## GENERAL FEEDBACK FOR ESSAYS

Short outline. You need 15 body paragraphs at least.

### Content (40%)

Your interpretation should be in depth, comprehensive and academic.

Always address the asked part. It should be evident in your outline, which should be self-explanatory in nature. Essays/Outlines that give related information without addressing the asked part do not qualify.

The whole essay should be relevant. Even if 1-2 arguments are irrelevant the essay will not pass. Distribution of topic should be according to the demand of the topic statement i.e. if there is one scoring point it should be given more weight, if there are 2 or more scoring points all should be given equal weight.

All claims made in the essay must be substantiated. Out of 15-17 arguments at least 9-10 should be academically backed with proper references. The rest should be backed by either case studies or generally known information.

Evidence must be authentic and come from proper and authentic academic sources.

Newspapers do not qualify as an academic source. Illustrations and vague mentions of events do not qualify as academic evidence.

Essays that are lacking in evidence do not qualify.

### LANGUAGE (25%)

Focus on enhancing your grammar as any essay with 4-5 grammatical mistakes does not pass.

Your essay must be in the tone and tense of the topic statements. Essays that fail to comply do not pass.

Your sentence structure should be simple, yet clear and diversified.

Vocabulary used should be simple, clear and concise. Expression should always be formal and academic.

You are never to write in 1st and 2nd person pronouns.

You must always use the given keywords and your topic for your thesis statements and main headings in your outline.

### STRUCTURE (20%)

Your essay must follow the selected pattern and that structure should be maintained throughout.

**INTRODUCTION:** The introduction is the longest paragraph of the essay, at least 200 words. It should start with a hook, must give the glimpse of what's to come and must have a thesis statement. Besides hook, your introduction should not have any sort of information and reference. Avoid definitions in introduction.

**BODY PARAGRAPHS:** Approximately 150 words at most and all the body paragraphs must be consistent in length. Should follow the proper structure of an academic paragraph i.e. it must have a topic sentence, supporting point, evidence and concluding sentence. The topic sentence and concluding sentence must align with each other. There should be no new information in the concluding sentence. One paragraph represents one subheading in the outline and consists of one idea.

**CONCLUSION:** Must start with the concluding phrase. There should be no new information in the conclusion. It should recap the arguments. Conclusion does not have any examples and information. If you are ending it on a hopeful note, remember that solutions and hope are not the same.

### COHERENCE (15%)

There should be connectivity and flow between the paragraphs. Use proper connectors for this purpose not firstly, secondly, thirdly and so on. The sequencing of paragraphs must be logical.

The essay must align with the outline in sequence, idea, and content. If not it will be deemed incoherent.

Unity of idea must be maintained within the paragraph, otherwise it will be considered incoherent.

Attention  
Grabber?

Before the year 2015, the  
neighbouring India - arch rival of  
Pakistan - hailed the diplomatic  
isolation and degrading international  
standing of Pakistan. However,  
Pakistan's geopolitical and regional  
prominence has resurged  
after a series of events. In  
the year, 2015, Pakistan fought  
a short war with India  
which it secured a staggering  
win after displaying its  
credible defense capabilities. This  
was followed by a series of  
diplomatic wins which again  
rose Pakistan as a significant  
geopolitical and regional  
partner. Moreover, the year,  
2015 was marked by a  
series of diplomatic wins  
for Pakistan. The country also  
gained military victory over  
a very large adversary  
which has affirmed its international  
recognitions for its strength. Pakistan's

Your attention  
grabber should be  
different from your  
arguments

Capitalise the proper  
nouns

Sentences  
Structure

Sentence  
Structure

No cohesion and flow  
between the sentences.

bilateral relationship <sup>with the US</sup>, he ~~has~~ also reconciled after a period of misconceptions and suspicions. This has also elevated Pakistan's geopolitical and regional stature in the world. In addition, the year is ~~also~~ marked by Pakistan's strengthening of bilateral and multilateral relations. Overall, the country's international image has improved due to deft diplomacy amid regional and international turmoil. However, besides all of the gains on international stage, ~~the~~ the year 2025 was also a turning point in terms of Pakistan's security challenges, socio-economic issues and political instability. Above all, the year 2025 was, in many ways, ~~the~~ a foundation for the country moving in the right direction which

opened the way for many opportunities.

This is the first argument. What do you mean moreover?

Moreover, the year 2025 was a turning point for Pakistan, as it enhanced the country's international posture. It was a year of diplomatic wins, military wins, improved geopolitical and regional significance. It also enhanced Pakistan's international relevance, and image and has also led to a reconciliation in Pak-US relation and Pak-Bangladesh relations.

No such paragraph in the outline.

Counting on the significance of 2025 for Pakistan, the country had a short period of war with India and secured a swift victory. After the Poohalgam incident, India blamed Pakistan for the terror attack - as usual. Pakistan denied the accusation and called for international

A paragraph should never start with the case study. Directly address the argument in the topic sentence.

There is no such paragraph in the outline. The point in outline is Pakistan's military success. So explain how success is a turning point for Pakistan not give a play by play of the event. This is not a news report, this is an analysis based essay. Where is your analysis??

making on the matter with its full support. However, India denounced Pakistan's fair response and launched an offensive on Pakistan in May. After a short <sup>period of</sup> confrontation, Pakistan was ~~able~~ able to ~~down~~ <sup>severely</sup> Indian jets and inflicted severe harm on Indian military. As the matter soured, the US president Donald Trump mediated a cease fire between both the nuclear powers. Although ~~India~~ deny the US mediation. But, Pakistan has acknowledged the US role on many international platforms. This was a turning for Pakistan in 2025 and a year of demotion for India on many aspects as well - as Ashley J. Tellys noted in his essay: India's Great Power Delusion.

Following a swift victory over India, Pakistan

was also able to secure diplomatic  
win as well. After the war,  
Pakistan's international standing  
again rose to the prominence.  
Its military capability and  
geopolitical significance was  
measured through deft  
diplomacy. For example, following  
the war, Pakistan acknowledged  
the US president Donald Trump's  
peace mediation and even  
announced its support for Trump  
as candidate for Noble peace  
prize. Moreover, Pakistan also  
played a crucial role through  
diplomatic measures in stopping  
Gaza war and other regional  
conflicts amid its presidency  
of United Nation Security  
Council in 2025. These  
diplomatic wins opened the  
way for many opportunities  
to Pakistan to establish itself  
as a key player in international politics.  
In addition to military

How was that a turning point? No explanation of that.

No argumentation and analysis  
No structure to the paragraph  
Incoherent

and diplomatic wins, the year 2015 was a turning point for Pakistan, as the country's geopolitical significance enhanced. The country was internationally isolated and, particularly, after the US withdrawal from Afghanistan, it had lost its geopolitical significance. But, after the war with India and diplomatic manoeuvring, Pakistan is again influencing global geopolitics. For example, according to Prof. J. Mearns, the US might need Pakistan's help in mediating with Iran. Moreover, the US president and Gen General recognized Pakistan as a significant counter terrorism partner in the region. These events marked the resurgence of Pakistan's geopolitical stature in global politics.

No analysis and argumentation

Besides resurgence of geopolitical significance, Pakistan was elevated to status of regional security guarantor in the year 2015. This was a turning point as regional countries were looking forward to obtain an agreement with Pakistan for security guarantees. For example, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia signed Strategic Mutual Defense Agreement. Moreover, the Arab News noted that other Gulf countries might as well secure such agreement with Pakistan amid the ~~US~~ suspicion of US security guarantees. Moreover, Iran and other regional countries as well welcomed Pak Saudi agreement. They regarded Pakistan as the shield of Islamic world due to its strength which Pakistan displayed in <sup>its</sup> war with India.

How was that a turning point, you have simply repeated the topic sentence in different word. There is no analysis of how it was a turning point.

Moreover, the year 2025 was a turning point as Pakistan's relations with the US was reconciled after a period of suspicions and misconceptions. Pakistan, through its deft diplomacy, utilized the aftermath of war with India and global trade and tariff war and secured the reestablishment of its relations with the US. Both the countries have signed defense and space earth agreements and renewed strategic partnership. For example, Pakistan's foreign minister said to the CNN, "our bilateral relationship is built on the foundation of shared interests, including regional stability, security and economic partnerships". Moreover, securing the US partnership was an important turning point for Pakistan's

defense, economy and global prominence.

In addition to the strengthening of bilateral relationship with the US, Pakistan also secured strategic and economic partnership with Bangladesh. Both the countries had remained isolated from each other since a long time but after the ouster of Sheikh Hasina as prime minister, the interim government reestablished its ties with Pakistan. For example both the countries signed the strengthening of strategic partnership, defense and economic cooperation, according to the Deal. The relations of Pakistan with Bangladesh is crucial. It gives a strategic depth to Pakistan over India and also manage to keep India diplomatically isolated by

engaging Bangladesh in defense cooperation

Apart from the significance of 2025 for Pakistan on international frontiers, at home, it was year of security challenges, political instability and socio-economic issues.

The year 2025 was a turning point for Pakistan's security challenges. The country loomed through the resurgence of terrorism and had to confront <sup>with</sup> two hostile neighbours on its Eastern and Western front. For example, the ISPR told in <sup>a press briefing</sup> about ~~more~~ more than 75000 intelligence based operations alone in Balochistan. Moreover, in May and in September, India and Afghanistan attacked Pakistan. These events

How is that a turning point???

made the year challenging for the country's security apparatus and deteriorated the country's peace and stability. For instance, according to the Global Terrorism Index, Pakistan was 2nd on the scale. Thus, 2025 was a turning point for Pakistan's security.

Apart from security, 2025 was also a year of political instability for Pakistan. The year was marked by civil military imbalance and a rift between the opposition and treasury benches. For instance, expressing his concerns on the hybrid democracy in Pakistan, Justice Athar Minallah said, "No institution or government officer should engage in political engineering. Public representatives

must come through free and fair election. Unfortunately that has only remained our dream. Moreover, the political instability has caused harm to Pakistan's economy and foreign Direct investment, as multinational corporation have departed from Pakistan in record numbers. These situations mark a grim reality of 2025 for the national level engagements.

In addition to the security issues and political instability, the year 2025 was also concerning for Pakistan's socio-economic situations. The year was marked by deteriorated rule of law, unemployment, human rights and has accounted for an increase in poverty. For example, Pakistan ranked

129th on the global Rule of Law index. Unemployment was at a record high with 5.9 million youth unemployed as per Samaa news. According to Human rights commission of Pakistan, 700 women were killed in the first half of the year 2015. Looking at these numbers, it is evident that the year was a disaster from the point of view of many socio-economic indicators.

However, above all, the year was a stepping stone in the right direction for Pakistan in many ways. The country opted a zero tolerance policy against corruption and smuggling. In this relation, many officers were suspended by the FIA, Customs and NCCIA, as corruption and smuggling was fueling

institutioned decay and  
terror sponsoring). Moreover,  
the country also established  
the Special Investment Facilitation  
Council for enhancing business.  
It commenced a successfully  
Pakistan Mineral Investment  
forum, 2025 to explore the  
country's mineral wealth.

In addition, Pakistan promulgated  
its first Artificial Intelligence  
policy, crypto policy and has  
also enacted five year  
industrial policy. Besides this,  
Pakistan secured strategic,  
economic and defense cooperation  
internationally. For example,  
Pakistan signed a 500 million  
dollar rare earth minerals  
with the US according and  
received 19% US tariffs on  
its imports which are relatively  
very low relative to those  
imposed on other strategic  
US allies such as 50% on  
India.

In conclusion, the year 2025 was turning point for Pakistan both positively and negatively. On the positive side, the year was <sup>significant</sup> <sup>in terms</sup> of strategic, diplomatic and geopolitical and military successes. It opened many opportunities for Pakistan to further its interest. Although, it was also a year of many challenges for Pakistan, such as socio-economic, political and security issues which caused vulnerabilities for the state. However, the year marked the beginning of many right decisions for the country which would lead to further corrective and prosperous measures when continued.

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