



COUNTER PART OF INDO-PAK RELATIONS – A STUDY**Ravindra Laxuman Gharel****Assistant Professor, Department Of Political Science,
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India and Pakistan share semantic, social, geographic, and monetary connections, yet their connection has been buried in intricacy because of various authentic and political occasions. IndoPak relations have been characterized by the rough segment of English India in 1947, the Jammu and Kashmir struggle and the various military contentions battled between the two countries. One of the largest human migrations ever recorded, the partition of British India sparked refugee massacres across the region. It dislodged up to 12.5 million individuals, with an expected death toll of 1 million.

Pakistan emerged as an Islamic republic with an overwhelming Muslim majority and a very small population adhering to other faiths, while India evolved into a secular nation with a Hindu majority and a significant Muslim minority. India-Pakistan relationship in three sections. First, it looks at the historical causes of the rivalry between India and Pakistan, such as differences based on identity, territorial disputes, involvement of external great powers, and domestic politics in both countries. Second, it investigates the current dynamics of the relationship in terms of societal perceptions, military capabilities, and economic capabilities. In the end, it looks at how the relationship will develop in the future using current trends. It specifically inquiries about the prerequisites for the establishment of peace between India and Pakistan. [1]



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INTRODUCTION:

India wants normal good-neighbor relations with Pakistan in accordance with its "Neighborhood First Policy." The consistent position of India is that any issues that may arise between India and Pakistan should be resolved bilaterally and peacefully, without the use of violence or terror. Pakistan is responsible for creating such a favorable environment. India has made it abundantly clear that it will not make any concessions when it comes to matters of national security and will respond to any attempts to compromise its security or territorial integrity with firmness and determination. The India-Pakistan relationship stays quite possibly of the most laden two-sided competition in the contemporary global framework. Beginning around 1947, the two nations have participated in various military contentions and tried to outsmart each other in global gatherings carefully. Since the late 1990s, both nations have engaged in conflict behavior at multiple levels, ranging from nuclear threats to conventional war and sub-conventional tactics like terrorism, equipped with nuclear weapons and increasingly sophisticated delivery systems. Extra-regional great powers like the United States, the Soviet Union (during the Cold War), and China have always been involved in the politics of India-Pakistan relations, making matters even more complicated. Despite the fact that some potential

solutions to the conflict have been discussed from time to time, there are enough spoilers on both sides to keep any chance of a compromise or détente out of the equation. Whenever dealt with inappropriately, India- Pakistan relations can antagonistically affect soundness in Asia and on the worldwide request all the more comprehensively.

India got its freedom and apportioned by English government among India and Pakistan in 1947. The two nations' relationship has largely been unstable, and their mistrust of one another has grown over time. Both countries have fought wars in the South Asia region on different fronts. They continue to face problems like border terrorist activities, infiltrations, low-intensity wars, and intelligence/spy operations that seem impossible to stop because both countries will continue to view each other as an enemy they cannot trust¹. After the cold war ended, it became one of the most dangerous and volatile areas in international politics for a number of reasons, including the Muslim League's animosity toward the Indian National Congress before independence and the bloody riots after independence at the time of partition. Additionally, disagreements regarding the waters that flow from India to Pakistan and, finally, Kashmir, which continues to be a source of contention and conflict between these two nations². However, numerous shifts have occurred in the areas of technology, global political economy, and social networks, particularly since the collapse of the Soviet Union. With this, the disputable and frustrating connection among India and Pakistan has deteriorated as both have become atomic states. This study argues that because both countries now possess nuclear weapons, the relationship between them will continue to fluctuate, which could have unanticipated effects on the South Asia region. This is accomplished by drawing analytical inferences from the paper's analysis of the historical relationship between India and Pakistan, which includes wars, disputes, and the Kashmir issue, all of which would contribute to the transitory nature of their relationships. Lately, penetration, intermediary war and non-military personnel assaults by Pakistan are expanding which is removing the two states a long way from the exchange table. Pakistan has turned to international organizations numerous times to resolve problems, which frees up space for other powers. Apparently, the review will talk about questions settling endeavors and the job of outer powers while anticipating Indo-Pakistan's future relations. ^[2] In this context the present paper attempts to fulfill the research gap. India Pakistan relations UPSC India got its opportunity and allocated by English government among India and Pakistan in 1947. The relationship between the two countries has been largely unstable, and over time, their mistrust of one another has grown. On distinct fronts, both nations have fought wars in the South Asia region. They continue to encounter issues such as border terrorist activities, infiltrations, lowintensity wars, and intelligence/spy operations that appear to be impossible to stop because both countries will continue to view each other as an enemy they cannot trust¹. For a variety of reasons, including the Muslim League's animosity toward the Indian National Congress prior to independence and the bloody riots at the time of partition after independence, it became one of the most dangerous and volatile areas of international politics after the cold war ended. Additionally, disagreements regarding Kashmir, which continues to be a source of contention and conflict between these two nations ², and the waters that flow from India to Pakistan. In any case, various movements have happened in the space of innovation, worldwide political economy, and informal communities, especially since the breakdown of the Soviet Association. As a result, India and Pakistan's contentious and frustrating relationship has deteriorated as both have become atomic states. This study contends that in light of the fact that the two nations presently have atomic weapons, the connection between them will keep on fluctuating, which could unanticipatedly affect the South Asia area. This is done by drawing analytical inferences from the paper's analysis of India and Pakistan's historical relationship, which includes wars, disagreements, and the Kashmir issue, all of which would contribute to their relationships' transitory nature. Pakistan's increasing penetration, intermediary war, and non-military personnel assaults in recent months have distanced the two states significantly from the negotiation table. Pakistan has gone to worldwide associations various times to determine issues, which opens up space for different powers. Evidently, the survey will discuss questions settling tries and the occupation of external powers while expecting Indo Pakistan's future relations. India-Pakistan Relations – Latest Developments For the first time in a long time, India and Pakistan jointly announced in February 2021

that they would adhere to the 2003 ceasefire along the Line of Control (LoC). With effect from midnight on February 24 and 25, 2021, the nations have agreed to strictly adhere to all agreements, understandings, and cease fire along the Line of Control (LoC) and in all other sectors. The two Directors General of Military Operations agreed to address each other's core issues and concerns, which have a tendency to disrupt peace and lead to violence, in order to achieve peace along the border that is mutually beneficial and sustainable. India maintains its "Neighbourhood First Policy" in the most recent bilateral brief between India and Pakistan (February 2020), and it wishes for normal relations with Pakistan in an environment devoid of terrorism and violence. In 2019, Article 370 of India's Constitution, which gave a unique status to Jammu and Kashmir, was rejected, which gave a unique status to Jammu and Kashmir. The bilateral relationship suffered severely as a result. Pakistan then expelled the Indian High Commissioner in Islamabad and suspended air, land, trade, and railway services. Due to mistrust between the two nations, particularly in regard to the Kashmir issue, there was no progress in bilateral relations in 2020. On February 15, 2019, India. ^[3] A Brief Background of India-Pakistan Relations since India's freedom and the parcel of the two nations, India and Pakistan have had sharp relations. A brief timeline of the two nations' interactions is provided below:

All outstanding issues were addressed during the India-Pakistan Composite Dialogue that took place between 2004 and 2008. When it was halted in the wake of the terrorist attack in Mumbai in November 2008, it had completed four rounds and the fifth round was still in progress.

Additionally, in April 2010, Pakistani Prime Minister Yousuf Raza Gillani and then-Prime Minister Manmohan Singh discussed their willingness to resolve the issue and resume bilateral dialogue on the sidelines of the SAARC Summit.

In 2011, after a gathering between the Unfamiliar Clergymen of both the nations, the two-sided ties were continued on issues including:

Tulbul Navigation Project at the Water Resources Secretary's level; Siachen at the Defence Secretary's level; Peace and Security, including Confidence Building Measures (CBMs); Jammu and Kashmir; and Promotion of Friendly Exchanges at the Foreign Secretaries' level.

Cross LoC travel was begun in 2005 and exchange across J&K was started in 2009. India and Pakistan consented to a visa arrangement in 2012, prompting progression of reciprocal visa systems between the two nations. Cross-border terrorism psychological oppression radiating from regions under Pakistan's influence stays a center worry in reciprocal relations. India has repeatedly emphasized the need for Pakistan to take action that is credible, irreversible, and verifiable to put an end to cross-border terrorism against India. Pakistan has also repeatedly reiterated its assurances to India at the highest level in January 2004 that territory under its control would not be used for terrorism against India in any way. 8. India has repeatedly pleaded with Pakistan to swiftly bring the Mumbai terrorists to justice. Be that as it may, there has been no advancement in the continuous preliminary of Mumbai fear assaults case in Pakistan even after all the proof has been imparted to Pakistan side. 9. India has also been emphasized as a nation that will continue to take firm and decisive measures to safeguard its security. The Indian Army conducted surgical strikes at various terrorist launch pads across the Line of Control, based on specific and credible inputs, following the cross-border terrorist attack on an army camp in Uri, Jammu and Kashmir, on September 18, 2016, as well as ongoing incidents of terrorist infiltration. These strikes resulted in significant casualties for terrorists and those who provided support for them ^[4].

India has firmly stated that it will not tolerate and compromise on issues regarding the national security.

Based on attacks in India and involvement of the neighboring country, the Indian Army had conducted surgical strike at various terrorist launch pads across the Line of Control, as an answer to the attack at the army camp in Uri, Jammu and Kashmir.

India had again hit back over the cross-border terror attack on the convey of Indian security forces in Pulwama by carrying out a successful air strike at a training camp of Je M in Balakot, Kashmir. The dispute as a deciding factor of India-Pakistan relations and the role of external dynamics – an analysis: From above, it is clear that the society of today is always a product of its past and decides its future.

Both India and Pakistan are the result of fierce rivalries between a variety of forces, including sociopolitical and religious forces. These forces have a long history of unique relations in international politics, and India gained its independence from the British Raj in 1947. The British government left India and Pakistan with a lot of disagreements, skirmishes, and military conflicts in 1947; they have since fought four wars: 1947, 1965, 1971, and 1999. In this regard, the study investigates how their respective foreign policies utilized rivalry between the two great powers to enhance their power. For this reason, Pakistan had attempted to oblige US in its international strategy with its enemies of India procedure. India also began to seek assistance from the Soviet Union as a result. There were some shifts in these perspectives following the end of the cold war. Extortion of their relationships is also the responsibility of external powers. However, Pakistan's fear of India's powerful force as a threat that could do much better than she could create a climate of fear between the two countries during the partition. Pakistan, on the other hand, was claiming the ethnic superiority of the Muslim community and an imperfect partition, particularly when it claimed for Hyderabad, Kashmir, and Junagarh, all of which contained Muslim majority areas¹⁰. Because the administrative distribution of their provinces at the time of partition and independence was different from what it is now. The English government passed on two decisions to the nearby leaders of the regal states, it is possible that they could go along with one of the two new autonomous domains or are allowed to be stayed free elements. Role of External Powers Because of the fierce rivalry that exists between India and Pakistan, two major South Asian powers, the influence of external powers like China, Russia, and western powers like the United States of America on the region of South Asia has remained a topic of debate. Consequently, during the politics of the Cold War, external powers frequently took advantage of Indo-Pak's tense relations. After parcel, Pakistan began to counter the thought Indian danger by drawing in herself in military strength develop and keeping up with relations with extraordinary powers which came on screen when it closed a Tactical Security Settlement with the US in 1954 which is considered as an emotional change in the South Asia International relations. Pakistan received the first highperformance aircraft, including 12 F-104 interceptors and hundreds of tanks from World War I and the Korean War, as part of the United States' containment policy against communism. This was against India's interests and regional bilateral issues. The involvement of outside forces, according to Prime Minister Nehru, could lead to Cold War politics in the South Asia region. Future of Indo-Pak relations In order to bring peace and stability to the region, both nations must investigate their shared interests. This is the first requirement for developing political-social-cultural relations, trade, and economic development because they both have nuclear capabilities. If both nations work together to pursue peace building measures to prevent conflicts and restore mutual confidence²⁸, which must be taken as a challenge by both nations, intermittent interruption caused by fundamentalism and non-state actors can be contained in the region. The Kashmir dispute, which has been a major source of contention and the subject of a zero-sum game between the two countries since partition, is, of course, the only way to answer the region's pressing question of how to achieve equilibrium between the two nations. It is also widely acknowledged that this is unlikely to occur soon, so commenting on it is simple. As Nawaz Sharif stated at Narendra Modi's inaugural ceremony, "sincere hope in a brighter future between two nuclear-armed neighbors would normalize their relations and work in harmony"²⁹, it appears that the election of Narendra Modi and Nawaz Sharif could be the turning point in Indo-Pak relations. Indeed, even at the new SAARC meeting, however they didn't meet first because of some distinction yet toward the finish of SAARC highest point both top state leaders met each other energetically. However, creating a cooperative environment between India and Pakistan is difficult due to the fact that Pakistan has always demonstrated its unwillingness to cooperate with India, while India has pursued the strategy of responding to aggression with aggression³⁰. Since NATO's withdrawal from Afghanistan provides space for India and Pakistan to increase their strategic influence there, external factors could have negative effects. If the United States maintains the largest and most promising military presence in Afghanistan and prevents their growing competition²⁹, which is in the interest of maintaining stability in the region, it could play a decisive role in creating a favorable environment for cooperation at least in the short term. Indus Waters Treaty On August 29 and 30, 2018, in Lahore, the Permanent Indus Commission (PIC) held its 115th meeting. The

Indian Commissioner for Indus Water (ICIW) led the Indian delegation, while the Pakistani Commissioner for Indus Water (PCIW) led the Pakistani delegation. During the two-day meeting, both sides talked about the Lower Kalnai Hydroelectric Power Project (HEP), the Pakal Dul Hydroelectric Power Project (HEP), and reciprocal inspection tours to both sides of the Indus basin. Between January 28 and 31, 2019, a delegation led by PCIW inspected Pakal Dul, Lower Kalnai, Ratle, and other hydropower projects in the Chenab Basin. India has attempted numerous times to establish normal relations with Pakistan as a neighbor. This has shown up in the invitation given to then-Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif for the swearing-in ceremony in May 2014 since 2014; the July 2015 gathering of Prime Ministers in Ufa; and the December 2015 visit to Islamabad by the External Affairs Minister (EAM). EAM likewise stepped up to the plate and propose a Far reaching Respective Discourse in December 2015. These drives have been answered with demonstrations of cross-line psychological oppression and savagery against India including the cross-line fear assault on Pathankot Airbase on 2 January 2016; attack in August 2016 on the Army Camp in Uri; and the 14 February 2019 terrorist attack by Pakistan-based Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) on the Indian security forces' convoy in Pulwama.^[5] On July 30, 2018, the Prime Minister spoke with Mr. Imran Khan and congratulated him on his party's achievement of becoming the largest political party in the National Assembly. PM likewise sent a salutary letter to PM Imran Khan on 18 August 2018 wanting significant and helpful commitment to support individuals of the whole locale. In response to Pakistan's congratulatory letter to the PM on September 14, 2018, EAM congratulated the new Foreign Minister and suggested a UNGA meeting in New York. On September 17, 2018, a similar proposal was also sent to EAM by Pakistan's newly appointed Foreign Minister. These letters also mentioned Pakistan's readiness to discuss terrorism and their mutual desire for peace and positive change. India accepted Pakistan's request for a meeting on September 20, 2018, in response to the intentions outlined in these letters. However, Pakistani terrorists brutally murdered three police officers in the state of Jammu and Kashmir shortly after India's acceptance. Prior, that very week, an Indian BSF fighter was ruthlessly killed at the line on 18 July 2018. After Pakistan's PM and FM wrote letters to India's leadership expressing their desire for peace and change, all of these events occurred. In addition, India's strong protests and demand for corrective action were met with outright denial from Pakistan. Under such conditions, it was surveyed that any discussion with Pakistan would be unimportant. India was forced to cancel the meeting between Pakistan's and India's foreign ministers in New York. On May 26, 2019, Pakistan PM called PM Modi to congratulate him on his election victory. He was thanked by PM Modi, who also recalled his earlier suggestion to Pakistan's PM to work together to fight poverty. In addition, PM Modi emphasized that fostering cooperation for peace, progress, and prosperity in the region required fostering trust as well as an environment free of terrorism and violence. Pakistan has not yet responded in the manner of a normal neighbor. Even normal trade and connectivity with India remain restricted. Pakistan regrettably unilaterally downgraded diplomatic relations with India on August 7, 2019, in an effort to paint an alarming picture of the two countries' ties to the outside world. Pakistan has been urged by India to reconsider its unilateral actions regarding India's relations in order to maintain normal diplomatic channels. Possible Way Forward for the Relations between the two Countries: ¶ Since the severe breakdown of India-Pakistan relations, half a decade has passed. ¶ Pakistan is currently beset by an internal crisis that necessitates a rescuer. Not only Pakistan, as of now, different states in South Asia is additionally experiencing monetary and administration emergencies. ¶ India's maneuverability in South Asia has increased as a result of these severe regional crises. ¶ India should not exclude Pakistan from its "Neighborhoods First" policy in the critical scenario that China withdraws its immediate, if not absolute, interest from the region. It can afford to take risks and engage in constructive diplomacy with a "forward-looking strategy." ¶ It will demonstrate to other states in South Asia that India is not acting in a hegemonic manner but rather cooperates, even with a staunch adversary. ¶ Pakistan, a "sorcerer's apprentice" of terrorism, is one of the pertinent South Asian issues that cannot be resolved without regional dialogue. The new conversation and discussions on further developing exchange relations between the nations, especially in Pakistan, have restored possibilities of improvement in India-Pakistan relations. Arvind Vermani, the former Economic Advisor to the Government of India, claims that reopening trade with India will be "a

shared benefit" because "there is huge deadweight loss involved in routing trade through other countries." Of course, reopening trade with India could provide a tremendous amount of relief to Pakistan's inflation-hit economy. Additionally, the potential for trade between the countries, which is currently less than USD 300 million, is USD 37 billion, as stated by the World Bank Study (2018). In Pakistan, it is widely believed that India intends to weaken, destroy, or transform it into a satellite. But it's not true. India is concerned about Pakistan's "instability more than its strength" because nothing could be more alarming than the possibility of Pakistan's nuclear-armed neighbor and foe going bankrupt. Additionally, India's establishment regards Pakistan as a massive mess that no one wants to inherit. India's and Pakistan's relationship is cyclical; it goes a little up and afterward stirs things up around town. When dispute between India and Pakistan arises, the Army in Pakistan pulls the government's strings, frequently citing the "Kashmir dispute;" Despite the fact that the rivalry is asymmetric, it aids the former in maintaining its relevance. Exchange is one reason why Pakistan can't support its angry arrangements; geo-economics or financial interests force it to restart exchange with India. Additionally, Pakistan's geo-economics goals are constrained by the Taliban regime's worsening relationship with Pakistan and growing extremism in Afghanistan; the most basic is the defer in the China-Pakistan Monetary Hallway, which is planting dissatisfaction in the two players As of now, India should answer Pakistan's finishes paperwork for development in relations liberally, alongside solid informing that the last option needs to quit subsidizing and feeding psychological warfare, regardless of knowing the unchangeable idea of the revisionist express that continues to fix the endeavors; since South Asia, as of now, is having different emergencies incurred by the pandemic Coronavirus.

Background It is true that India has experienced numerous foreign invasions and faced their long succession due to its appealing commercial potential, which also piqued the interest of Europeans (the British, French, Dutch, and Portuguese) in the 17th century on a large scale. British arrived in India for the first time as a trading company known as the East India Company. As the company grew in power and influence in South Asia, the Mughal Empire fell apart and deteriorated³. After gaining political control over India's eastern states of Bengal and Bihar, the British Raj was established thanks to the company's victories in the Plessey battle in 1757 and the Buxar battle in 1764. Over the next one hundred years, it gradually took over all administration on the Indian subcontinent⁴. In 1858, English Crown assumed the command over Indian organization from the East India Organization accordingly the English Government straightforwardly turned into the sovereign leader of India⁵. In order to win over the hearts and minds of Indians and Congress leaders⁶, the British government undoubtedly implemented a number of administration reforms in India through a number of Acts, including the Indian Council Acts of 1861, 1892, and 1909, the Government of India Act of 1919, and the Government of India Act of 1935. However, it was discovered that, in practice, Indians felt a strong sense of nationalism during the British period⁷. This was due to the oppressive rule of the British government, which encouraged Indian nationalism. As a result, the British government began taking advantage of the Indian people and economy. ^[6]

CONCLUSION/FINDINGS:

Keeping up with dependability in the South Asian area is to India's greatest advantage, as financial backers wouldn't put resources into an unsteady district. India will also be able to resume its engagement with Afghanistan and the resource-rich Central Asian states through Pakistan's involvement. India will finally have a chance to counterbalance China's expansionist policy by extending a hand to Pakistan, as the Galwan crisis demonstrated. As a result, it is concluded that India and Pakistan's tension and conflicts date back to the past but can be resolved through the establishment of bilateral, multilateral, and unilateral relations and the continuation of peaceful dialogue between the two countries. In any case, it is troublesome errand to research the tranquil and certainty building answers for two atomic equipped powers in South Asia however Kashmir, because of its geo-key area, will be the decider component of either normalizing or weakening IndoPak relations later on.

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