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(Q.)

U.S. hike in H-1B visa fees exposes India's dependence on foreign job markets. Analyse its implications & suggest measure for India to reduce this reliance. GIS-II, 160 words

India's service sector contributes 55% of its GDP FY-24-25, 1/3 revenue from dependent foreign jobs from USA & EU. current challenge is a opportunity for self reliance.

Introduction:

Good - You began with data about India's service sector and foreign job dependence, which sets the context well.

Improve - Could be a bit shorter, one clear linking line about vulnerability to US policies would sharpen it.

Body:

Good - Covered multiple implications: brain drain, cost burden, geopolitical pressure, and overdependence on foreign jobs. Measures like diversification, reverse brain drain, domestic utilization, and education-industry linkages are strong.

Improve - Some points are explained vaguely (e.g., geopolitical linkage could be more concrete).

Structuring under headings like Economic, Workforce, Geopolitical would improve clarity.

Conclusion:

Good - The ending is optimistic, linking Atmanirbhar Bharat, ELI, and global leadership in IT.

Improve - Could be more concise; one strong punchline on reducing reliance through domestic reforms would leave a sharper impact.

② Cost of visa \$100,000 dollar nearly 880,000 INR which affects remittance & Forex. [India's receives highest remittance in USA]

③ Geo-political linking & American pressure tactics to Liberalize Agri market to USA, and pressure Indian delegates & govt on Economic Partnership treaty.

④ Over dependence of Foreign jobs affects sovereignty & Economic growth.
Ex: 70% H1b visa to Indians, 3% chineses 0.9% for Koreans & others.

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Measures to reduce reliance :-

- ① Diversifying service Market - to friendly nations & Enable "Bilateral mobility Partnership". Ex - India-UK migration & mobility Partnership.
 - ② Reverse Brain-drain - strengthen skill India & Start-up India initiatives for development, by Addressing skill gap.
 - ③ Domestic utilization :-
promote domestic companies, to world class infrastructure, by Public-private goals & Partnerships.
 - ④ Addressing Education gaps, - by Academic to Industry (Physical training programs).
- # It is an Millennium opportunity to divert setback into self-reliant opportunity by linking Atmanirbha-Dhar to Employment Linked Incentive [ELI] and make India as global leader in IT & ITes technology.