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What are reasons of Russian attack on Ukraine?  
Is Ukraine going to be another Afghanistan?  
Is attack of Russia on Ukraine is resurgence of Russia?

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## Introduction

"The global world leads global problems."

The rise of rivalry between Russia and Ukraine is world leading conflict. However, Ukraine was originally pro-Moscow. After fall of the USSR, several changes led a war between Russia and Ukraine. Ukraine started suffering the same as Afghanistan. However, attack of Russia on Ukraine created fear in Europe.

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## Russia - Ukraine: Historical

### Background ~ an Overview

Originally, population of Ukraine is pro-Russian. However, the westernization

is increased in Ukraine and demographic situation is shifted to pro-Europe. More than 70pc, people are pro-Europe; and only 25pc are pro-Russia. Hence, demographic shift is become a dispute between Russia and Ukraine.

pro-Russia  $\xrightarrow{\text{Societal Change}}$  pro-Europe

### 3- Causes of attack of Russia on Ukraine

Following are main causes of attack of Russia on Ukraine:

#### a) NATO penetration into Russian sphere of influence

After 1991, NATO started penetration into Russian sphere. Eastern Europe, Nordic, and Baltic countries were moved towards NATO. Not only this, but NATO moved toward Georgia - 2000 onward attempted to join



EU and NATO alliance. This hurt geo-strategic importance of Russia.

b) Westward mobility of Ukraine

Ukraine also moved towards westward mobility as follows:

i) Applied for EU and NATO

First attempt of Ukraine to join EU and NATO membership, became a cause of dispute between Russia and Ukraine.

ii) Trade and people's mobility

Ukraine wanted to start trade relations with the western world that also resulted Russian-Ukraine war.

iii) Ukraine's approach to NATO

Moreover, Ukraine wanted to purchase weapons from NATO countries, such as US, UK, Spain, Germany.

iv) Ukraine's attempt to join NATO alliance

Ukraine wanted to increase its defence exercise with NATO countries. Hence, above all attempts towards the west made Russia

to attack on Ukraine.

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## Ukraine: another Afghanistan

Attack of Russia on Ukraine impacted Ukraine badly. Following are impacts of Russian attack on Ukraine:

### a) Humanitarian loss

According to an update, 6919 people killed and more than 11,000 were wounded. Thus, Russian attack devastated Ukraine.

### b) Economic loss

Along with humanitarian loss, survival of people was also affected. More than half of agriculture was devastated. Ukraine, the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest grain producer country was deprived of food.

### c) Urban life in danger

Moreover, urban life



was destroyed severely. Due to this Ukraine's loss was 600 bn \$. Further, 70 pc of Ukraine - was totally destroyed.

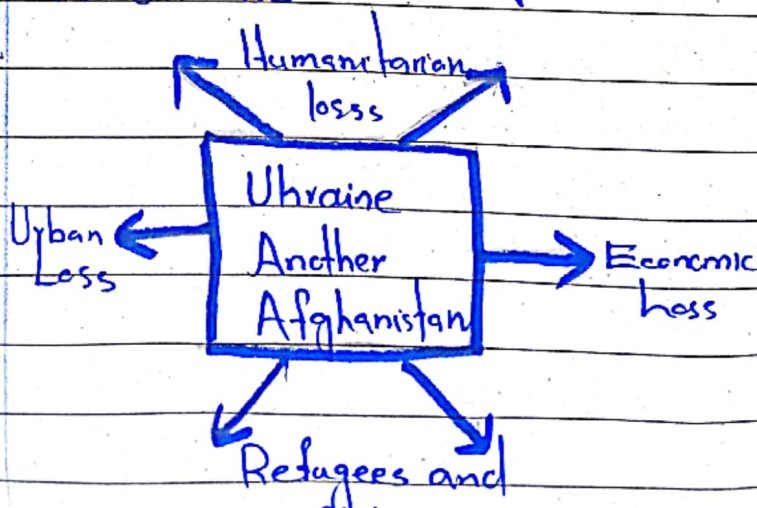
#### d) Refugees increased

As life was in danger due to attack. Almost 3.6 million people moved across border to Eastern Europe, Nordic and Baltic countries.

#### d) Inter Displayed people

Not only people became refugees, but IDPs were also increased. More than 400 million people were become IDPs.

Hence, situat became the same as Afghanistan in Ukraine.



5- Russian attack on  
Ukraine and resurgence  
of Russia

Attack of Russia on Ukraine resulted resurgence of Russia. This resurgence created fear in Europe. Since 21<sup>st</sup> century, resurgence began under the leadership of Vladimir Putin.

a) Fear back in Europe

“Who is next?”

After attack on Ukraine, many European countries themselves as the next turn. Finland, Poland, and Estonia are top among them.







- Russian attack; territory in dispute and resurgence of Russia

### Conclusion

“West must end its peace holidays.”

Russian-attack has created fear in Europe. This is due to resurgence of Russia since beginning of the 21st century. This conflict has impacted Ukraine badly. But ongoing international efforts might bring peace again in territory.