

TOPIC: Best for an individual is not necessarily best for Society

Outline

1. Introduction:

The pursuit of individual interests and benefits may conflict with the greater good of society. It may lead to outcomes that are detrimental to the well-being of society as a whole. Thus, a balance between the two is necessary for the overall well-being of both the individual and the community.

2. Debunking the phrase "Best for an individual is not necessarily best for Society".

3. Understanding the relationship between individual and Society.

4. How Individual's interests are not beneficial for others

(i) Certain type of Governance is favorable for a region but not for the world

- Totalitarian dictatorship run by Adolf Hitler was favorable for Germany but it pulled the world into the most heinous war of the history.

(ii) Interests of Politicians benefits themselves in most of the cases

- Use of hate speech and bullying in political rallies is against the social norms.

(iii) Economic policies are profitable for the policy makers but exploit others.

- High interest rates and bank policies

(iv) Criminals have always some reasons for their offense

- Poverty and unemployment is the justification of most of the street criminals.

(v) Sometimes, legal actions/orders promote the interest of privileged class

- Ban on Freedom of speech in North Korea^s to avoid revolution against military dictatorship.

(vi) Rapid Industrialization is profitable for the industrialist but a serious menace to humanity.

- Climate change and its consequences are affecting the mankind.

(vii) Latest tools of technology is beneficial for less populated advanced world.

- Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Internet of Things (IOTs) is resulting in unemployment.

(viii) Corruption^{which} is done for personal gains, hampers the overall development of a country

- Transparency International (TI) Reports show that the corruption is the major hurdle in the development of Pakistan.

5. Best for society is also not always good for individuals.

(i) Patriarchy

(ii) Marriage laws

(iii) Social Norms

(iv) laws limit individual freedom

6. Importance of individuals for society

7. Efforts of individuals for the wellbeing of society

- Balance between individualism and collectivism

- Good citizens make great nations

- Utilitarian principle of Jeremy Bentham should be taken into account

Conclusion

TOPIC: An eye for an eye only ends up making the whole world blind

Outline

1. Introduction

Adopting the notion of 'an eye for an eye' would not bring justice and resolution, but instead would result in a world where everyone is blind and unable to see the true harm caused by the cycle of retaliation and vengeance.

2. Understanding the quote "An eye for an eye only ends up making the whole world blind"

3. How the attitude of "An eye for an eye" has made the world blind?

(i) Historical Perspective

- World War 1 broke out after the assassination of Austrian Prince

- World War 2 broke out due to vengeance of German Nazis

(ii) Economic Perspective

- Economic sanctions of rival states affects the economy of both

- Colonization was the result of economic rivalry among European states.

(iii) Environmental Perspective

- Technological war among the countries has deteriorated the natural environment.

- Rapid industrialization for national interests has resulted in climate change, which is affecting the whole mankind.

(iv) Social Perspective

- The massacre started in Palestine and India in 1947 after the independence of Palestine was the depiction of 'an eye for an eye'

(v) Religion Perspective

- The recent lynch of Sri Lankan employee over blasphemy in Palestine shows the religion intolerance
- The emerging evil of Islamophobia is the reaction of terrorism which is affecting the innocents.

(vi) Global Perspective

- Arm sale between the countries is a menace to global peace.
- The ongoing Russia-Ukraine war is the retaliation of Russia which has affected almost all parts of the world

→ Way Forward for avoiding the attitude of 'An eye for an eye'

(i) Revenge is never a solution

(ii) Islamic history shows that Holy Prophet (SAW) always preferred negotiations over war

(iii) The virtue of tolerance is necessary not only for peaceful society but for the global peace.

(iv) Negotiations and Reconciliation helps in building an ideal world

(v) United Nation (UN) should play effective role in avoiding rivalry among countries and keeping global peace

5. Critical Analysis

6. Conclusion