

The political, economic, strategic dynamics of international relations have changed in Middle East once again. Middle East has grabbed the attention of the world ~~after~~ 07 October attack of Hamas on Israel and the strong retaliation of Israel that has not lasted even after a year.

Hamas - a military organization ~~opero~~ of Gaza has attacked Israel on 07<sup>th</sup> October 2023. This ~~attacked~~ challenged the ~~the~~ much hyped Iron-Dome missile system of Israel <sup>and its intelligence</sup> which could not intercept the grand operation. While in retaliation, Israel Defence Forces (IDF) <sup>by the assistance</sup> ~~along~~ with its allies such as US, Germany, UK launched a grand operation killing ~~15000~~ civilians as per ~~report~~ of UN<sup>tr</sup> by December 2024.

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US is supporting Israel militarily, ~~even~~ financially and diplomatically. On the other hand, Hamas is being supported by Iran, Lebanon. On forefront these two countries are providing assistance to Hamas while Yemen is challenging ~~of~~ Israel and its allies ~~in~~ in international sea.

China, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Russia are playing major role in mediation. ~~the~~ pacifist role of China is dominating in the international arena while US all out support to Israel is being criticized. The entire politics in Middle East can be understood through different theories of IR.

of international system. The offensive realism explains the behaviour of Hamas, while the retaliation shows the defensive realist approach by Israel. As the attack of Hamas ~~was~~ was a challenge to the survival of Israel, Netanyahu preferred power over morality (Morgenthau) and acted as lion to take retaliation from Hamas (Concept of Lion and fox of Machiavelli).

### Neo-realist approach:

Hamas attacked on Israel because Israel has long sieged Gaza and the military capability of Gaza is ~~not~~ much more than any state in Middle East. As Israel is the only non-muslim state in Middle East and its been with war with its neighbour, the lack of trust in international system led

it to increase its military capability. The international structure is not trustable, and it is the international structure that decides what kind of policy a state should opt in order to ensure its survival. As in the international system, there is enemy and friends, in order to survive states go for **alliances and economic expansion** in order to survive and fight for collective good. Economic expansion let the state to be self-sufficient in an anarchic system.

As the system is anarchic, the brutalities of Israel is remained unnoticed and the inhuman treatment of Israel is against International Humanitarian Law, of which Israel is party to. As there is no system at international level

for check and balance on the state, the powerful states due to **imbalance of power** operates and dominate other states.

The capabilities of Hamas is limited because in international system there is **unequal distribution of power**. Therefore Hamas - a military organization of Gaza - could not retaliate with the same scale of offence towards Israel. As the **economy, technology, capacity and military capability** of Hamas is unequal as compare to Israel, therefore its ~~action~~ and scope of action has been limited.

### **Constructivism:**

The war between Hamas and Israel can be understood by constructivist paradigm which is led by ideas, values, beliefs, identity, religion.

Palestinians have been living on this land since thousand years and this land belongs to them. This concept come from the **religious perspective** where prophet of Allah Moses settled in this land and religion of Islam began to separate the first **Qibla of the Muslims** before Kaaba was Bait-ul-Muqadas which is ~~com~~ in Israel. It is a **Holy City of Muslim**.

The ~~settlements~~ and land for Jews were allotted by British in 1948, and the Jews does not belong to this land. This is the ~~per~~ constructivist perspective of Middle East conflict.

Jews ~~Israel~~ consider Palestine its own land and argues that this is the land from which prophet Moses get the Israelites

from slavery. This is the land which ~~facts~~ ~~ent~~ Israelis call 'Promise Land', Land promised by God to them.

In addition to this Israel is pursuing expansionist policies and this expansionism is being driven by their belief of 'Greater Israel'. The ideological expansionism of Israel

is engraved in their belief which drives their policies. The Holy place of Jews "Wailing Wall" a sacred site in

Jerusalem is another significant entity that construct and strengthens the beliefs of Israel and its policies are

driven by their ~~ent~~ beliefs and ~~construct~~ ~~of~~ ~~realities~~

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But what's the question here?  
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