

Essay # 04

Rampant religious extremism in the world as manifestation of human nature.

Outline

1. Introduction:

Thesis Statement:

The manifestation of human nature shaping rampant religious extremism in the world. It is humans that uses religion for their political gains. Moreover, globalization challenges, social problems, and psychological issues of humans contributing to rampant religious extremism. To overcome and minimize rampant religious extremism, some preventive measures should be taken on global and national level.

2. What is Religious Extremism?

3. Insights of Religious Extremism in the World.

4. Factors responsible for Rampant Religious extremism:

a. Lack of interest and proper religious education shaping populace mind towards religion misunderstanding resulting violent religious extremism.

- Half-doctor is a danger to ^{your} life and half priest poses danger to your faith.

b. Political interference in religious institutions causing

disturbance in religious instructions making people extreme in religion.

- Divine-right theory of kingship.

c. Extremist priest and biased religious curriculum contributing towards conservative religious ideologies.

- Ideologies of TTP and IS-KP.

d. Lack of Job opportunities and proper planning for Madrasa graduates directing them to be part of violent extremist organizations.

5. How Rampant Religious Extremism in the World as manifestation of Human Nature:

a. The use of religion for political gains causing lack of harmony among different political groups.

b. Conservatives minds in legislation and decision making resulting in biased curriculum leading towards religious intolerance.

- Afghan Taliban decision - Terrorism in Pakistan.

c. Lack of religious diversity is due to the lack of respect and hate for other religions.

- Western perception about Islam.

d. Misinterpretation of a religion is one of the manifestation of human nature resulting in negative point of views about a specific religion.

e. Changing actual instructions in Religious books leading youths mind towards misunderstanding and lack

of religious tolerance.

- Changes in Bible, hidden the reality of Islam.

f. NO implementation of law and order gives killing licence for genocide of one religion by the followers of another religion.

- Israeli genocide of Palestinians.

g. Inflation and unemployment compel youth by joining extremist groups and becoming the reason for terrorist attacks.

- Youth recruitment in TTP, IS-KP, IS etc.

h. Absence of school education along with religious education keeps students unaware of other religions and sets yielding conservatism and sectarianism.

- Sunni-shia conflict, Iran vs. KSA.

6. Suggestions to Counter Rampant Religious Extremism in the World

a. Organizing religious seminars on global level in order to promote religious harmony and address religious misinterpretation.

b. Unbiased and moderate religious curriculum is the need of the hour to minimize hate and misunderstanding about religion.

- Western perception of Islamophobia.

c. Effective enforcement of international laws to protect Holy places and prevent genocide of the followers of a specific religion.

- Protection of Al-Aqsa and prevention of genocide of Palestinians.

d. Strategic Planning for employment opportunities of religious graduates on national level to stop recruitment of young populace in violent extremist organizations.

7. Case in Point

a. Islamophobia in West:

Lack of understanding of Islam and failure of Muslims to follow Islam properly.

8. Conclusion