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Q) Why Climate Change has become a global issue? Please analyse it in the context of the hidden threats including the measures taken to curb it at the international level.

Answers:

-Outline

1) Introduction

Thesis Statement:

Change in weather patterns over a long period of time is called climate change. It is the biggest problem of humanity in the 21st century caused by enhanced greenhouse effect which is result of anthropogenic activities. It is a global problem with devastating impacts for everybody. Although some initiatives have been taken, it requires greater cooperation and measures.

2) Understanding global warming which causes climate change

3) Prime movers of climate change

- a) Huge increase in burning of fossil fuels.
- b) Mass industrial production
- c) Large scale deforestation
- d) less till over renewable energy
- e) Modern and technologically influenced life style

(f) Rising Population

4) Climate Change: A global issue affecting everyone - major threats

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4.1) Ramifications at present

- a) Rising temperature
- b) Frequent and intensified storms
- c) Longer and stronger heatwaves
- d) Altered natural cycles and weather patterns including heavy rainfall and floods
- e) Melting ice-masses and glaciers.

4.2) Future Annihilations

- a) Huge level of Submergence of islands-
- b) Population displacement (Climate Migration)
- c) Mass extinction of flora and fauna
- d) Dearth of resources
- e) Inter-state and intra-state conflicts.

5 International efforts made to deal with the issue

- a) Rio Conference 1992 Brazil
- b) United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
- c) Kyoto Protocol 1997
- d) Paris Agreement 2016
- e) The 2019 Climate Action Summit
- f) Conference of Parties (COP-26)

6 measures needed to ensure commitment of harmony

- a) Passionate approach in usage of fossil-fuels
- b) Innovation in transportation and expansion of public transport
- c) Full exploitation of renewable energy sources
- d) Maximizing energy efficiency and minimizing energy consumption
- e) Population control
- f) Spreading Climate Awareness
- g) Regional and international cooperation

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"The era of global warming has ended. The era of global boiling has arrived." So announced United Nations general Antonio Guterres as it was confirmed by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) that July 2023 had become the hottest month in the past 120,000 years. This fact signifies how severe the issue of climate change has become in the present era. Basically climate change is the variations in the global patterns climate patterns caused by the global warming (enhanced greenhouse effect). The natural greenhouse effect is the significant natural phenomenon, but enhanced greenhouse is mainly deadly phenomenon caused by the anthropogenic causes mainly. The greater usage of fossil fuel and mass industrial production are most potent reasons. Moreover, large scale deforestation and less tilt over renewable energy are also responsible factors for this anomaly. Some other causes include modern and technologically influenced life-style and the most importantly rising population. Climate change is a global issue because its ramifications know no boundaries. At present, the world is facing impacts like rising temperature, frequent and stronger storms and longer and stronger heatwaves. Furthermore altered natural cycle which brings heavy rainfall and melting

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Climate change is basically a change in weather patterns over a long period, but to understand this variation it is important to have knowledge about atmospheric concentration, enhanced greenhouse effect and global warming. Since the atmosphere is composed of 78% nitrogen, 21% oxygen, 0.03% carbon dioxide and six other minor gases in negligible quantities. This constant composition is being disturbed by the increased concentration of carbon dioxide and the presence of unknown gas to atmosphere methane and fluorinated gases. These gases are known as greenhouse gases and this flux in atmospheric concentration is responsible for the widely known enhanced greenhouse effect. Although the normal greenhouse effect is essential for life on the earth, enhanced greenhouse effect is making the life more difficult. Basically, in normal greenhouse effect, the earth absorbs 70% of sun's radiations and reflect back 30% into upper atmosphere, but in enhanced greenhouse effect the extra concentration of CO₂ and CH₄ traps more radiations than usual and do not allow that extra radiations to reflect back into atmosphere.

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Coming to the reasons behind the rising temperature one can turn climate change. According to National Aeronautics and Space Administration these natural cause are still in play today but their influence is too small to explain the rapid warming. So mainly the anthropogenic causes are at the root of this growing crisis.

The first and most important cause is the huge consumption of fossil fuels. Fossil fuels are the remains of animals and plants which after deposition got decomposed in thousand years time under high temperature and pressure in the earth's interior parts.

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Secondly, the mass industrial production is also one of the major reasons behind the climate change. Changes in agricultural practices, urbanisation and a new reliance on fossil fuel drove the industrial revolution. This industrialization has significantly added the greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

Third important cause is the deforestation. Trees are considered as the lungs of the earth, for they consume carbon dioxide from the earth's atmosphere and make earth worth living during the process of photosynthesis. Trees purify air, filter water, prevent erosion and act as buffer against climate change. Unfortunately, the process of deforestation aimed at the cutting of

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Fourthly, 80% (app) of the world's energy is coming from fossil fuels, this shows how less the world is tilted over the usage of renewable energy resources: wind power, solar energy and geothermal power. Basically renewable energy resources are safe to use as they are carbon free and environmental friendly. Although the initial cost of these projects is comparatively high, this should be bears to protect the environment. The overall tilt over renewable energy is very small which implied to resort to fossil fuels causing climate change.

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The presence of technology in every sphere of life demands more energy. For in modern life every activity and every gadget is operated through dependent on the energy. So modern lifestyle is increasing the demand of energy which is one of the potent reason of climate change.

Lastly, the growing population of the world. According to the United Nations the world population in 2023 is 8.1 billion.

The relation between rising population and the climate change is that

more people increase the demands.

For example, people need food to survive and as the world's population grows, so too does the demand for food.

To meet this demand, agricultural development has caused deforestation on a large scale which is one of the major causes of climate change.

Climate change is undoubtedly the global issue. Not a single country is immune from it, because the deadly repercussions it has and will be having are approaching to every country in one or other form. Even scarcely populated Antarctica has been damaged by its threats. According to the inter-governmental panel on climate change (IPCC) Every continent has warned in the last half of the century. These are:

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manifestations at present.

Rise in temperature is one of the
major impacts. According to IPCC, the
earth's temperature has raised at
0.0°C since the Industrial Revolution
and scientists are more than 95%
certain that this temperature anomaly
is going to increase. The future prediction
is that the temperature could be raised
at 4.5°C by the end of this century
if necessary measures are not taken
in due time. So rising temperature as
a result of climate change is one of
the most deadly effects.

Another peril inflicted by the
climate change is the frequent
and intensified storms (hurricanes
and typhoons). Meanwhile, the severity
and number of storms have increased
since mid-century particularly in the
southern parts of North America,
Europe, the Philippines and adjoining
areas of the South China Sea. All
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ever. Some of the major storms of the century include: Hurricane Katrina of August 2005. It was the deadliest in the history of United States it approximately claimed the lives of 1833 people in the New Orleans. Hurricane Florence caused havoc in South and North Carolina states of America in September 2018. It caused about \$17 billion to \$22 billion of damage. Typhoon Mangkhut also devastated the Philippines in September 2018. Unfortunately, the frequency and severity is making these annihilable storms more dangerous owing to the change in climate.

Furthermore, stronger and longer heat waves around the world over the past 50 years, particularly in Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia, are producing deadly results. Most severely hit areas are Sub-Saharan Africa and the desert of Indo-Pak Subcontinent. Even in Europe heat waves has claimed an estimate of 35000 lives. Korea, Spain and countries of temperate regions are suffering much.

According to the organization for Economic cooperation and Development, the impact of floods is causing \$40 billion worth damage worldwide annually. Also the death toll has increased due to flooding. Pakistan was also hit hard by the heavy flooding

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Another deadly threat the world is facing due to the climate change, particularly owing to the rise in temperature, is the shrinking of large ice masses at increased pace and hope is the melting of world's largest glaciers. There is an obvious reduction in Antarctica and Greenland islands. Moreover, Greenland Ice-Sheet, the second largest ice mass on the earth, is melting six times faster than 20 years. Also, the extent of sea ice in the Arctic has shrunk since 1979 by between 3.5% to 4.5% per decade. Moreover, sea ice has even been melting more rapidly. According to meteorological organization (WMO), if the global warming is not controlled the Arctic could be ice-free by 2040. Moreover, another prediction is that at the current rate of warming all the glaciers in the

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Intersalia, all the aforesaid ramifications are composing a gruesome conditions and the future impacts will be even more awful which are also stated here:

Huge level of Submergence of islands and low-lying areas of the world is going to happen in near future. The current rise in sea-level will bring about impact on the number of islands. Due to uncontrolled global warming it is feared that it can risk the global economy as entire cities like Miami, Karachi etc will sink due to rising sea level and cyclones.

most importantly the Sunderban National Park, world's largest mangrove forest where four million people live on its cluster of islands, is being threatened by the steadily rising sea-level.

A study of Bay of Bengal has confirmed that, sea is rising at the rate of 3.14 mm at year as against global average of 2 mm threatening the deltaic regions of India and Bangladesh. Till today, at least 15 islands have been affected, but the sea is nibbling at other islands as well.

As the islands are habitats of one million peoples, this submergence

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is going to cause the mass migrations. The world will be facing the environmental refugee crisis in future. According to the National Geographic research, the coming huge migration crisis owing to the rising sea-level and desertification will cause one billion environmental refugees in more than 100 countries.

In addition, the eventual mass extinction of many flora and fauna will be owing to global warming. Basically, the species diversity in ocean ecosystem is at great risk. Those species that will not be able to adapt to higher temperature will die, for example Polar bears are drowning because they have to swim longer distance to reach ice flows. It is predicted that two-third of polar bear population will be extinct by the mid century due to melting of the Arctic ice-cap. Furthermore in Bermuda and other places mangrove forests are being lost.

Coming to the next, in future the rising temperature will adversely affect those crops that will not be able to endure excessive heat. It will lead to reduction in the yields of different crops as well. So in this way many resources will run short. Not only agricultural but other resources like water, land, etc.

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The diminishing resources will start the struggle for survival. Many inter-State and intra-State conflicts will threaten the peace and stability of the world. Mainly food insecurities will be the main cause of these conflicts.

In particular, all the threats the world is facing now and all future repercussions predicted are making this issue of humanity and as it is global in nature some measures have been taken.

The first ever initiative was taken in the June 1992, A World Summit was held at Rio de Janeiro, a city of Brazil to discuss the common threat posed to the humanity and ways and means to end it. Delegates from 100 countries attended the conference. The main cause of warming was identified as the atmospheric pollution produced by rapid industrialization of the rich North. The cost of remedial measures was worked out to be \$ 125 billion which was to be borne by the countries responsible for the pollution. A memorandum of recommendations was drafted. However, the United States was the only country that refused to sign it. The

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Another important initiative at international level regarding the Climate change is Kyoto Protocol. Basically, it extended UNFCCC. It was adopted in Kyoto city in 1997 and entered into force in February 2005. The protocol applies to the six greenhouse gases notably: Carbon dioxide, Methane, Nitrous oxide, Hydrofluorocarbons and Sulphur hexafluoride. The protocol divides countries into three main groups according to different commitments. The main goal of the Kyoto Protocol is to control emissions of main greenhouse gases by carbon trading, Clean development Mechanism, and joint implementation subsequently, negotiations were

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Paris agreement was to set up efforts
to cut the greenhouse gas emissions
every five years. The object was to create
global response combating the world's
greenhouse gas emissions.

There is another initiative in the
form of the United Nations Climate Action
Summit 2019. It was held at United
Nations Headquarters New York on 23
September 2019 on the theme; "A
race we can win. A race we must
win." The goal of the Summit was to
further climate action to reduce greenhouse
gas emissions to prevent the mean global
temperature from rising by more than
1.5°C above preindustrial levels. At the
close of the Summit, the United Nations
Secretary General Antonio Guterres
said, "Much more is needed to reach
carbon neutrality by 2050 and keep
temperature rise to 1.5°C by the end of
the century."

The most recent ~~recent~~ initiative is the

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United Nations climate change conference or Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC (COP 28). It was held from 30 November to 13 December at EXPO City, Dubai United Arab Emirates. The deal at Conference commits all signatory countries to move away from carbon energy sources "in a just, orderly and equitable manner" to mitigate the worst effects of climate change and reach net zero by 2050. The global pact was the first in the history of COP Summits to explicitly mention the need to shift away from every type of fossil fuels.

Inspite of all the initiatives the climate change has remain a formidable issue because of the indifference of the big emitters. One of the biggest obstacles in the resolution of this issue is the indifference of big emitters. These are the tycoons mainly includes three countries: China, the US and India. According to the Global material flow Database developed by the UN environment program 81% of carbon emissions is caused by the US, China and India. Unfortunately, the commercial interests of these countries are being more valued than life on the earth.

The aforesaid threats, initiatives and indifference of big emitters are making the climate issue the

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the deadly Climate Crisis. According to the National Academy of Sciences USA's published report in 2019, since the necessary measures like arresting the trend of emission of greenhouse gases are not satisfactory. Therefore, the rise in the mean global temperature will be 3 degree Celsius instead of two degree. So this need to be understood by the world and it should be followed by some solid measures to prevent the world from approaching climate crisis. In this regard some suggestions are here:

Firstly, the slogan should be "zero fossil fuel". Eliminating the burning of coal, oil and natural gas should be the target of the world.

Apparently this is the most daunting challenge as oil is the backbone of the global economy. However it is the need of our time to avoid these fuels. Alternatives should be tried.

Secondly, innovation in transport sector is much needed at this critical juncture. Transportation is the second leading source of greenhouse gases. Burning a single gallon of gasoline produces 20 pounds of carbon dioxide. These must be changed in the way the world travel. People should relocate to work place, use of mass transit, switching to walking and telecommuting several days a week are

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More tilt over renewable energy resources is another option to be exploited. the renewable energy sources includes - Solar energy, wind power, tidal waves, biofuels • geothermal energy etc. This type of energy is environmental friendly and can prevent the climate change by reducing global warming.

Furthermore, energy consumption should be reduced and energy efficiency should be increased to save the energy. Infrastructure

Upgradation can help reduce the amount of energy usage. Energy efficient building means - investing in thicker insulation, temperature regulating, efficient devices etc. can save money and energy. According to EPA, replacing just one incandescent light bulb in every American home would save enough energy to provide electricity to three million homes.

The current population of the world is about 8.1 billion and according to United Nations, it is predicted that it will be 9 billion. With the increase in population usage of resources, including energy consumption is increasing. This is

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Climate change is one of the deadly issue of the 21st century. This message should be spreaded. The slogan should be to fight climate change. Governments, civil society, international organizations, media etc should play their role to spread awareness about the climate change.

Last but not the least, there is a need of great cooperation at regional and international level to cope with this issue.

Different programs in renewable energy installation, afforestation, public transport and in different sectors should be done.

Conclusively, climate change is the natural process caused by global warming which is the result of human activities including carbon fuel usage, deforestation, rising population etc. It is the global issue with multitude of repercussions at present and deadly threat for future. So far many initiative have been taken at international level, but success is still a far conclusion. Moreover, there is a urgent need to take measures to save the globe from the wrath of approaching climate crisis.

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