

NoA Mock CSS-25 C. Affairs

Q.no.6:

Answer: What is COP?

Conference of Parties is held every year to monitor and strategize the climate related phenomena. It is held under UNIPCC - United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on climate change. The most historic among the conferences was the Paris Agreement which decided to keep the world temperature below 1.5°C till 2100.

COP27 and COP28:

The number 27 and 28 shows the number of times it had previously been held.

COP27 was held in 2022 in Sharm-el-Sheikh in Egypt whereas COP28 was held in 2023 in Dubai.

COP27 and the concept of Loss and Damage Fund:

The COP27 will always be remembered for the historic agreement on building a Loss and Damage Fund. To understand this concept we first have to understand

The emission of carbon.

Carbon Neutrality:

Amount of C emitted = Amt. of C
absorbed.

Carbon Neutral.

The big emitter of GHGs are China, USA, India and other developed countries. According to the UN chief Antonio Guterres, "Climate change knows no borders. It will not stop at Pacific or Atlantic. It is a global issue which needs global attention."

The big emitters are the major cause of climate change.

Loss and Damage fund is to compensate the developing countries that bear the brunt of major polluters. They will pay for the damages and losses caused by climate induced disasters to help the countries become more resilient.

Case Study of Pakistan:

In 2022 floods, Pakistan lost \$34 Billion and owing to this fact the climate change minister

Sherry Rehman at that time advocated wonderfully for the establishment of Loss and Damage Fund. The fund will help countries like Pakistan to adapt to the change climate.

COP27 impacts on COP28:

The policies discussed in 27th conference of Parties paved the way for COP28. In COP28 many submitted proposals were accepted. COP28 will have impact on coming COPs as it will discuss the implementation of policies made. Loss and Damage fund is a wonderful way to apply ointment on the wound of developing countries who are facing the brunt of industrialization.

Opportunities for Pakistan:

As a climate champion:

The effective advocacy for the creation of Loss and Damage fund has strengthened the position of Pakistan globally. It has been called as a climate champion of S. Asia. This opportunity can be used to bring Pakistan out from its economic woes.

Build a sustainable infrastructure:

Pakistan lost almost \$34

Billion in climate related distress only in 2022. The total of \$64 B has been lost. The compensation through Loss and Damage fund will help Pakistan is building a climate friendly and sustainable infrastructure. This could be a pivot in a right direction.

Lessons from Carbon neutral and Carbon negative countries:

Currently there are 8 carbon negative countries and the most prominent among those are Bhutan, Uruguay, Sweden, Norway and many more. These countries are selling their carbon credits and building a palpable economy. Pakistan can follow their footsteps and make it a carbon negative country.

Case study of Sweden:

Sweden's Alchemy: Turning Garbage into Energy.

Sweden has become first country to turn garbage into electricity and other forms of energy on a mass scale. 2100000 homes in Sweden are lighted, heated and powered through the garbage. Sweden is also earning revenue from other countries garbage by

handling it effectively.

Greta Thunberg of Sweden:

A school going Swedish girl has earned fame in climate activism. Pakistan can also build its positive image through climate activism.

Conclusion:

Loss and Damage fund can prove to a wonderful step towards rebuilding a sustainable world. Countries like Pakistan can benefit alot from it but it requires active participation of leaders in COPs and implement the policies devised in letter and spirit.

Q. no. 03:

Answer: OIC: A Cohort of Muslim World:

Organization of Islamic Cooperation was developed to bring all the Muslim countries on a single platform to deal with the worries and woes. OIC development was a positive step in a right direction. But certain hurdles have made OIC a crippled organization. Lets discuss these measures one by one.

Main reasons for ineffectiveness of OIC:

Internal rifts between member states:

Any organization needs unity and humility to work effectively. The non-cooperation and doctrinal differences between Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and Iran has given a major blow to OIC. The rift of Arab countries with Qatar and the policies of domination has severely affected the OIC.

Lack of conflict resolution mechanism:

In the words of George Orwell from a novel Animal Farm, "All animals are equal but some are more equal than others". This mindset has hurt the basic essence of OIC.

The race to pose oneself as a leader of Muslim Ummah has caused damage. The conflict created in this regard has no proper mechanism for its resolution. Therefore lack of conflict resolution mechanism is a major reason of the ineffectiveness of OIC.

Influence of USA on Muslim Countries:

The USA policy of pampering KSA and sanctioning Iran has further damaged the organization. USA, being the super power has an influence on Muslim countries as they depend on aid and other support from USA. This bloc politics has also hindered the effectiveness of OIC.

Metamorphosis of Global order presents OIC with an opportunity to be effective:

The contemporary events has given a chance to rebuild trust among Muslim countries to make OIC an effective platform. These events are

- 1, Saudi-Iran Rapprochement deal.
- 2, Hamas-Israel War

Saudi-Iran Rapprochement deal which was brokered by China has stunned the world. It gave a huge blow to American hegemony in the region.

China did something which was considered impossible for the USA. This deal brought two traditional rivals together and ended the enmity by reducing tensions between them. The two major

power holders has joined hand which will not only empower OIC but it will be helpful in policy making.

Impact of deal on OIC:

The recent closeness seen in the relations of KSA and Iran will shift the policy of joining one country.

Case Study of Pakistan:

Pakistan has tried to have good relations with both countries as Iran is its neighbour and people have religious sentiments for KSA. The ease in their relations will help in stabilizing of Pakistan.

This pivot will also weaken the USA hegemony on Muslim countries as they can now look at China in their times of hardship.

Hamas- Israel War:

The Palestine conflict has been a bone of contention from ages. The UK, USA and western backed Israel continues its illegal occupation of land through sheer brutality. People of Palestine have been facing these massacres from a long time. Hamas launched its attack

and Israel get the opportunity to invade the remaining few land of Palestine. They attacked Gaza and till now they have killed 35000 women, children and men. All these innocent Palestinians have brought Muslim world together.

Pakistan to show solidarity with Palestine:

The Muslim countries has shown solidarity for Palestine and they are advocating for a cease fire. OIC meeting was also called in May 2024 and demanded the cease fire. Not just Muslim countries but a majority of non-Muslim countries has also joined the cause. If the conflict can bring a diverse ethnolinguistic people so there are chances that it will be an opportunity for the OIC member states to sit together and forget their differences.

Conclusion:

OIC has been a platform for muslim countries to resolve their issues. Though it faced numerous problems

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