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How has the rise of China and reassertion of Russia challenged the western-led international order? What implications does this have for global stability and peace?

## 01 Introduction.

"Let China sleep, if it awake would shake the world" - Napoleon.

Napoleon was right. China, has awoken and now she challenges the western-led global order. Further, reassertion of Russia seems the 'final nail in the coffin' of the existing global order. Power is in transition, The divide trap is in building.

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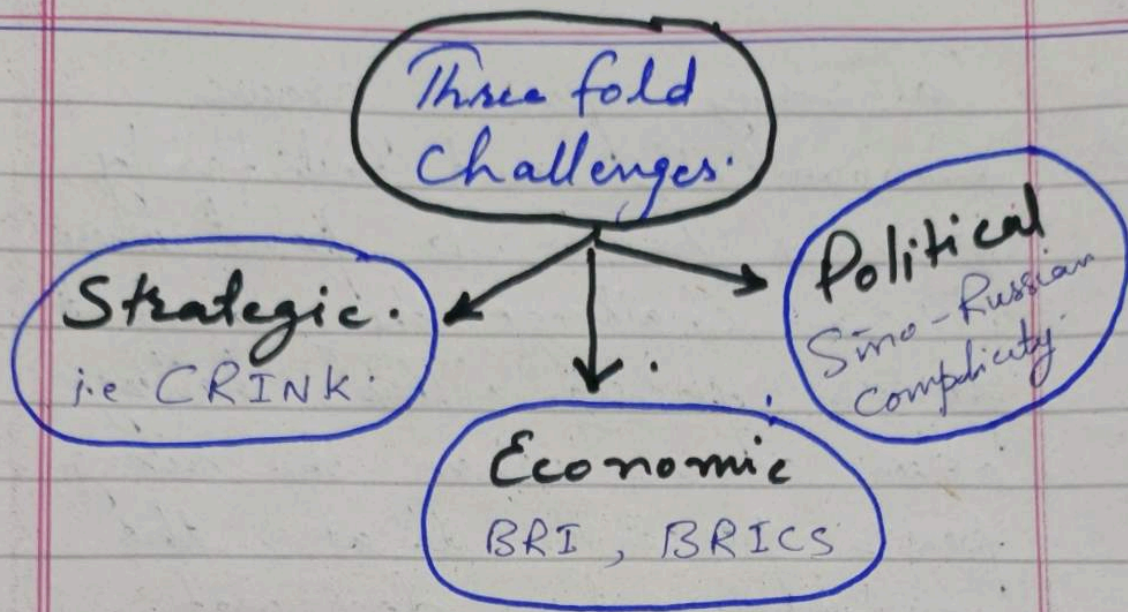
Sino-Russian complicity put forth strong geo-strategic and politico-economic challenge to the global-North. Re-shuffling of power points out the century of global-South. Gone are the days, when important geo-political decisions were emerge out of western capitals, Russia and China are on the way to write new global order. Historically, inter-phase between two orders has never been peaceful and stability.

## 02 Power Transition theory and the Rise of China and reassertion of Russia.

Power Transition theory by Organski focuses on the dynamics of change in global power structure. The theory posits that as

'a rising power grows economically and militarily, it may reach a point where it can challenge the dominant power's position. This challenge often occurs when the rising power perceives that the existing order does not serve its interests. China with GDP crossing USD 17.79 trillion challenges the crown of USA under ambitious programme, what is called one, belt one road. Whereas, Russia along with China, ironically, the bear and the dragon also challenges US hegemony, geo-strategically with expanding military might.

03 How the rise of China and Reassertion of Russia challenge west-led international order?



## (1) Geo-Strategic Challenges.

Converging geo-strategic interests have led marriage of Sino - Russia. Both jointly have become a formidable challenge for the West.

In the wake of Russia - Ukraine war, Israel's aggression against Palestine America and West complicit with Israel and Trade wars against China mingled with Taiwan issue has given a birth to an alliance what political Scientist term as CRINK which is acronym for China, Russia, Iran, North Korea.

Therefore, geo-strategically it is CRINK VS NATO today. Further, China's String of pearls Strategy and BRI is sour pill for the west.

## (II) Economic challenge.

China under the umbrella of OBOR and BRICS is about to capsize west led economic order. Political Scientist portray that BRICS is going to put forth a common currency for trade, therefore, this would initiate de-dollarization. means an end to dollar hegemony.

It is because of China and like minded countries West led Sanctions over China have not impacted much to her. Further, China's ambitious programme 'one belt one road' would change the

outlook of present world order. She is working to start a Asian oriented "Breter hood institutes", what proposed in recent BRICS meeting at Kazan. Russia.

### (iii) Political Challenge

Russia and China, having Veto power is grave challenge for the west in the Security Council. They jointly deter unilateral move on multiple issue i.e in case of Syria and Libya.

Further, both countries, along with like minded nations deter, the hyper power America with 'Soft-balancing' approach. Not only this but rising regionalism in form of Shanghai, Cooperation, Organization and BRICS has become tremendous challenge for the

west led political order.

Q4 What led Sino-Russia to challenge existing world order.

Multiple factors led Sino-Russia to change existing world order. a few of such factors are as following.

- (a) American, hegemonic attitude being hyper-super power, her unilateral moves in Iraq, Syria, Taiwan etc
- (b) West's use of sanction as a weapon against many countries i.e Russia, Iran, North Korea.
- (c) Exploitation of global north to global south.
- (d) NATO's expansionist agenda in Western Europe poke Russia

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(c) America's policy in Indo-Pacific theater China's interests.

Not only this but also multiple, geo-strategic, socio-political and religio-cultural factors led China-Russia to challenge existing global order.

## 05 Implications for global stability and peace.

Graham Allison - the Political Scientist coined a term "Thucydides trap" that describes the tension and potential for conflict that can arise when a rising power threatens to displace an established power. In this perspective China's rise and Russia's reassertion might provoke a cycle of fear, competition, and potentially



ever conflicts. The prime implications can be as following

(a) Building Thucydide trap is an omen of cold war 2.0

(b) Power transition might led to world war three. what Aristotle said.

"I donot know, with what WW III would be fight but I now WW IV would be fought with stones and sticks"

(c) Alliances and counter-alliances mingled with rising militarism potent historical cycle as in world wars.

(d) Trade wars would hampers hard to the global economy.

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- (e) Intensifying competition would revive nation-state against globalization.
- (f) ~~→~~ wave of nationalism and populism would inundate the globe.
- (g) CRINK vs NATO might led to nuclear war.
- (h) Nuclear proliferation and arm race i.e nuclear power submarine to Australia.
- (i) The mat~~r~~ of democracy would roll over from the globe.
- (j) Rising regionalism threatens LING.
- (k) Proxy wars would see their ~~zenith~~ zenith.

