

A Tale of Two Organizations

The world has witnessed emergence and downfall of several organizations. These organizations are mainly established by masters of world system to retain their domination or deter their rivals. NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization) was fashioned in 1949 to provide collective security against Soviet Union during the cold war. It was founded by twelve members and now the number reaches to thirty two, with the Sweden to last to join. However, Cold war ended long time ago, NATO is still burgeoning its power. This organization does not follow the policy of non-interference and mostly intervene in the domestic affairs of its members by violating International Law. America, who has a significant history of command over NATO, has always looked out for number one. For instances like in Afghanistan, Iraq war, and intervention in Libya were the key interests USA achieved through NATO. Although the scope of NATO is narrow, as it only focuses on defence and security. Another organization which is called as 'NATO of East' and is alleged to be made to counter NATO is 'Shanghai Cooperation Organization' (SCO). SCO was founded in 2001 with the aim

of promoting cooperation and peace among its member states, as well as strengthening regional security and stability. Moreover, SCO is not only limited to defence; it is a wide umbrella under which the member countries discuss economy, politics, prosperity and peace. It has a slogan to curb three evils: terrorism, separatism, and religious extremism. Non-interference, equality, mutual benefits and respect for sovereignty are core principles of this organization. Though NATO is senior in history to SCO, but now it is becoming 'Sick Old Man'. It is failed in resolving Ukraine-war due to its slow pace in admitting Ukraine as its member. Alongwith this, US's personal interest of spreading western democracy and values through NATO's force has created internal drift in organization. This is evident from Spain's premier who said, "We don't have double standards... we are supporting Ukraine because we are defending International Law, this is the same what we have to do towards Gaza". On the other side, USA continues its tradition of vetoing ceasefire resolutions. If it is compared between NATO and SCO that who has heavyweight in the room, NATO takes the lead of having three permanent members of UNSC and nuclear states in its boundary. While, SCO has two permanent members of UNSC, which are also nuclear powers. But, addition of India

and Pakistan in 2017 changed the digits of ~~each~~
scale. India and Pakistan both are nuclear
power countries and possess the tendency to lead
the world if Kashmir issue is resolved. That's why,
SCO holds great firm of solving Kashmir issue
which is ultimately a threat to NATO's preminence.
Moreover, economic growth of BRI under SCO
^{while,} Thus it is premature to predict about their both
of these organizations' future position, current
global trends favour the SCO's approach.