

Borders of Blood: The geopolitical manipulation of Israel-Palestine conflict.

Outline:

1. Introduction:

The geopolitical tensions between Palestine and Israel ranging from demographic shifts to forced settlements termed the borders of blood - the boundary between Israel and Palestine.

2. Historical Context of border of blood between Palestine and Israel:

3. Geopolitical Manipulation of Israel-Palestine Conflict:

3.1 Role of regional actors in Palestine Israel conflict like US, Arab states, Iran

3.2 Role of global actors in Palestine Israel conflict UN, EU, China

3.3 Manipulation of geopolitical factors used in the Palestine-Israel conflict like proxy wars, diplomatic challenges.

4. Consequences of Palestine Israel conflict:

4.1 Conflict may go for a longer time

4.2 There erupt a humanitarian crisis

4.3 Regional instability occur

4.4 Extremist groups may exploit the situation

5. Peace Efforts in Resolving the conflict:

5.1 Building international consensus in two state solution

5.2 Arab peace initiative for normalization of relations with Israel

5.3 Oslo-Accords: Aimed to establish Palestinian self-governance

6. Conclusion:

Conflict can be resolved by implementing two state solution.

The geopolitical tensions between Israel and Palestine have created the borders of blood by influencing the geography, demography, politics and economy of both the states. In the manipulation of the conflict there come the role of regional actors like USA is providing the military and financial assistance to Israel. Then comes the Arab states. Most of the Arab states like KSA is only criticising the conflict without taking any concrete steps. In addition to this global actors are actively engaging their efforts to resolve the conflict through peaceful means. Furthermore, different geopolitical tactics are being used to gain the vested interests like Iran is using their proxies while US and Israel are using diplomatic as well as military pressure to counter each others. These geopolitical manipulation of the conflict has many consequences. The most important is the humanitarian crisis and the

regional instability. However, different peace efforts have been taken to counter the consequences of this war. Building international consensus on the two state solution and the signing of the Oslo Accords. If these peace efforts are implemented in letter and spirit then this issue will resolve.

In the conflict of Palestine-Israel regional players are playing an important role ranging from the aid to enhance the conflict and only verbal statements by the Arab World. US is a major player in the conflict owing to its vested interests. US is providing \$3bn annual military assistance and till now from the start of Gaza war has provided around \$70bn. According to the report of World states. In addition to this US has vetted three resolutions aiming to build ceasefire in Gaza. These tactics played by US to acquire its vested interest is to contain Iran. Furthermore,

various Arab states only verbally condemned the conflict but they have not taken any concrete steps to resolve the conflict. This is manifested in the failure of Organization of Islamic Cooperation to take any solid steps to counter this. Therefore, the regional actors are blowing the conflict for their vested interests.

Furthermore, the global actors like EU, UN and China have failed to build ceasefire between Israel and Hamas - a major actor in this conflict. Various resolutions passed by the UN starting from 1950's till 2024 failed to establish peace. Resolutions dominated and vetoed by major players of the world, clearly shows the inability of the UN to resolve the conflict. However, UN peacekeepers mission and the humanitarian assistances are commendable steps taken by UN. In addition to this countries in the EU have escalated the conflict. Most importantly the

military support of Germany to Israel is a major manifestation. Germany has provided F-16 fighters to Israel which leads to further escalation of war. In the end, China is playing an important role in building a consensus between Hamas and PLO.

In addition to this, the major players of this war, are using different tactics to gain their interests. Iran is one of the major player is using its proxies like Hamas and Hezbollah to counter the Israel. Hamas in Gaza and Hezbollah in Lebanon are carrying out attacks on Israel. The recent escalation is witnessed when Hezbollah has launched some 100 rockets into Israel targeting the office of Israeli Defense forces. To counter-balance the proxies, US is providing financial support and military hardware to tackle the conflicts. Recently, a shield system has

been provided to Israel to counter the attacks of Hamas and Hezbollah. Moreover, US has sanctioned Iran resulting in the inflation and high cost of living. Therefore, the major players of this conflict are using different tactics to gain their stated interests.

As a result of these geopolitical manipulations, this conflict has caused many repercussions not only for the region but also for the whole world. Due to the role of the major players in this conflict and the failure of the peace keeping institutions this conflict seems to escalate. This conflict has going on for about a year and none of the resolutions, peace-keeping efforts and rulings of international courts have failed to bring ceasefire in this conflict. Owing to the above discussed problems and hindrances, this conflict seems to escalate and the result is only the destruction from both of the rivals.

Furthermore, there will come a humanitarian crisis which is worsening from now. In this conflict the defence chief of Israel has said:

We will block water, gas and electricity for entering into Gaza.

In addition to this, Israel has blocked borders for the entrance of aid into Palestine. This situation has resulted in the death of 11 thousand Palestinians due to starvation and spread of water-borne diseases like cholera, mpar. In addition to this, Israel has targeted the health facilities of Gaza destroying some 3 thousand hospitals which exacerbated the humanitarian situation in Gaza. Furthermore, about 1.3 million Palestinians have been displaced and are settled in the refugee camps leading to further the humanitarian crisis.

There are chances of further escalation of war in the middle east. As the israel wants to break the axis of resistance which comprised of Hezbollah in Lebanon, Houthis in Yemen and Hamas in Gaza. After a year long conflict Israel now has started the conflicts with the Hezbollah in Lebanon. In addition to this this conflict may extend to Iran. As Israel continuously taking such steps which likely provoke the the direct conflict with the Iran. In addition to this Israel is attacking Houthis in the Red Sea halting the trade in the Red Sea. Thus, Israel with the aim of breaking the axis of resistance may escalate and spread the conflict to other middle eastern states, increasing the regional instability.

Protection from the negative consequences, peace initiatives have been taken to resolve the conflict. Among all the peace initiatives, there is consensus

among all the states that the peaceful solution to this conflict is two-state solution. In the two-state solution the borders are defined on the base of pre-1967 borders. Various EU countries including Spain, Hungary have advocated and demanded the two-state solution for the Palestine-Israeli conflict. After implementing the two state solution there will legitimate governments on both sides, illegal settlements will be prohibited and a durable peace will establish.

Various Arab peace initiatives have been taken to restore peace in the Palestine. In this regard certain political developments are prominent. A six day Arab-Isreal war in the 1960s. led to the creation of resistance against the brutalities of Isreal. Furthermore Abraham accords in 2020 lead to the normalization of ties of various

Arab states with Israel. Recently US is making efforts to normalize relations between the USA and Israel on the account of ceasefire and long lasting solution of Palestine. All these initiatives are signs of Arab peace initiatives to make Palestine a peaceful land.

Lastly, Oslo Accords, in 1993 formed the base of recognition of both states to each other. This accord in its true sense, established and opened doors of peaceful talks for the resolution of issues of illegal settlements and border clashes. However, unfortunately this accord have not implemented in letter and spirit and violated by Israel again and again. Besides this, Clinton has negotiated the peace deal between Hamas and Fatah leading to the establishment of mutual government in Palestine by joining the factions. Therefore, certain peace initiatives have taken in this regard.

To conclude, the Palestine
Israel conflict has not only
created large regional instabi-
lity but also created repercus-
sions for the world positively
and negatively. Various global
actors like UN and O.C.T have
tried their best to build peace
in the region but of no vein.
The inefficiency of global actors
are due to the core countries.
These countries like US, because
of having vested interests in
the region have contributed to
the conflict. Owing to the con-
flict, it has developed various
consequences like regional inst-
ability, humanitarian crisis.
These consequences lead to the
various peace initiatives in
which two-state solution, Arab
peace initiative and the Oslo
accord are most prominent.
However, the peace initiatives
do not lead to establishment
of peace. So there is dire
need to implement the reso-
lutions of UN and the imple-
mentation of the constitutional
agreements of various countries