

# WORLD AS A GLOBAL VILLAGE : LEARNING TO LIVE TOGETHER.

## 1) Introduction

- Hook
- General statement

• Thesis : World is evolving into a global village. Additionally, in such changing circumstances, countries and people must learn to live together. World is adopting this change; however, this change arouses several new challenges that can hinder the process. Countries must implement new policies in order to gain maximum output.

## 2) World becoming a global village.

### 2.1) Increasing cultural integration

- More accessible and cheaper transport
- Global increasing global familiarities
- Increasing number of international students
- Fast food chains  
↳ Mac Donald's, KFC

### 2.2) Increasing political integration

- Formation of Bretton Woods Organisations
- Establishment of International norms
- Ease of movement and Trade  
↳ Case study EU

## 2.3) Increasing Economic Integration.

- Increase in trade activities
- Job out sourcing
- Multi national companies
- Job out sourcing
- Free lanceing.

## 3) Learning to live together.

standardization

- 3.1) • Standardization of time zone and units
- 3.2) • Global acceptance of western fashion
- 3.3) and media
- 3.4) • Emergence of global sub cultures
  - ↳ Davos culture
  - ↳ International faculty club
- 3.5) • Transnational workers in <sup>western</sup> European countries

## 4) Challenges to live together.

for living

- 4.1) • Increasing competition in trade
- 4.2) • Changing job requirements
- 4.3) • Environmental challenges
- 4.4) • Health challenges
- 4.5) • Increasing intolerance
- 4.6) • Formation of virtual states
- 4.7) • Cultural imperialism and
- 4.8) • Global corporation.

### 5) Policy recommendations.

- 5.1) • need to focus on research learning new technologies
- 5.2) • Need to celebrate diversity rather uniformity.

### 6) Conclusion.

"The new electronic interdependence recreates the world in the image of a global village." This profound observation by Marshall McLuhan captures the essence of interconnected world where technological advancements have dissolved the geographic boundaries and brought the distant cultures closer. The idea of global village refers to the shrinking of "time and space" due to advancement in transportation and communication, making the world feel smaller. Moreover, with the passage of time, world is continuously witnessing the increasing interconnectedness of countries culturally, politically and economically, making them dependent upon one another. Thus, the world is continuously evolving into a global village. Interconnectedness. This interconnectedness has increased upto such an extent that any disruption in any part of world can easily be felt in the whole by the whole world. Thus, this change is evolving world into a global village. Additionally, in such changing circumstance, countries and people must learn to live together. World is adapting this change; however, this change also brings several new challenges that can hinder the process. So Countries must implement new policies in order to gain maximum outcome.

To start with, <sup>the</sup> world is witnessing increasing cultural interconnectedness. Technological advancements have brought ease in communication

and travelling. Mobile phones and internet have given the convenience to send their messages with lightning speed. Moreover, social media has given the opportunity to people to get familiar with any culture around world. Whereas, not only through internet, ease of communication has further enhanced. Whereas internet has played a major role, the ease of communication through improved means of transportation has also further enhanced the global cultural familiarities among the people. Furthermore, Travelling to another country is now much more easier than it was before. People can travel through. The world is interconnected through global air travel, which has reduced the travelling time. For instance, one can reach New York from London in 7 to 8 hours through air travel. In addition, world has witnessed rise in number of international students. International students, not while studying in foreign universities, not only introduce their culture to the local students but also learn about the foreign cultures as well. Furthermore, international fast food chains are spreading their network all over the world. As demonstrated by Macdonald's, which has over 36000 restaurants world wide. Such fast food chains are spreading western food culture all over the world. These, Accessible and cheaper transport, growing number of international students and food chains are increasing global familiarities of culture; thereby increasing cultural interconnectedness.

Secondly, political interconnectedness has also increased. After world war II, to politically bind the countries with each other, Bretton Woods conference was organised. As a result organ of the conference, IMF an International Monetary Fund (IMF) and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) were formed directly and organisations like United Nations and World Trade Organisation (WTO) were <sup>emerged</sup> formed indirectly from the discussions held there. The political binding provided by these organisation has led to the formation of international norms, which has led to enhanced and safer trade trading opportunities. Moreover, these organisations provide platforms to discuss negotiate international disputes. In addition, regional organisations has also enhanced political interconnectedness at a regional level. To illustrate, European Union, has politically binded 27 european countries, providing ease of trade and free movement of labours and traders. Moreover, along with countries' national currency, Euro is accepted also accepted as an currency by all the signatory countries. Therefore, political interconnectedness has also increased in the world, world has become politically interconnected on international not only only on international level, but on regional level as well.

Thirdly, economic interconnectedness has also increased. Trade activities have increased among the countries world wide. Most western countries have economies that rely heavily on trade. For instance, Arab countries and Western countries' economies rely heavily on trade.

According to TD Economics - a Canadian news agency -, Canadian oil exports in 2023 were 4 billion barrel per day. Additionally, multi national companies operating all over world, provides generates huge revenues for them the countries. Moreover, they are also providing jobs to many countries. Thus, ~~more~~ they are playing a pivotal role in fostering national economies of country. Additionally, many companies are increasingly embracing remote work arrangements, due to ~~internet availability~~ worldwide internet availability. Such arrangements not only provide cheap and more skillful work force but also increase job opportunity in developing countries. For instance, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce hired 180 employees in 2017, from different countries on work from home basis. Furthermore, internet has opened the doors for a new way of earning ~~that~~ is free lanceing. Skillful workers can offer their services to multiple patients or projects on contractual basis <sup>internationally</sup> through internet. This practice generates a considerable amount of revenue for many developing countries.

countries. To provide evidence, Pakistan is the world's second largest producer of freelancers in the world. The government revenue making freelancing as one of the. Thus, freelancing is one of the most popular source of earning among Pakistani youth. Therefore, world economies are becoming more interconnected, thereby making them more dependent upon each other one another.

With increasing interconnectedness through cultural, political and economic exchanges, the world's transformation into a global village has occurred. This shared existence brings changes in the way of living of communities living together. The following part of essay will discuss explore the implication of this cohabitation, focusing on how global dynamics are affected and the ways communities are adapting this landscape.

In fact, this shift has profound implication on scientific units and time zones. Two scientific units, which were once used differently around the world, are now standardized as units which are known to everyone. Being recognized universally. For instance, world following International System of Units is globally accepted standard for measurement, which has unified scientific measurements. However, in the past, different units were used for the measurements, making it difficult for the non-natives to

to understand and communicate scientific researches among people belonging to different from different demographics. In addition, time zone interconnectedness of different people parts of world through technological advancements have made time zones more relevant. As people are linked with <sup>one another</sup> each other, while sitting thousands of miles of away, one often heard more involvement of ~~world~~ <sup>is</sup> term 'time zone' in regular communication. This is because <sup>coordinating</sup> ~~global~~ activities like businesses, travel and online communication requires understanding time difference to accommodate international collaboration. Therefore, coordinating global activities has unified the measuring systems and time zones are more relevant nowadays, indicating adopting people's adaptation to living together.

Moreover, interconnectness has mobilised the acceptance of fashion and increased the consumption of international media. Western fashion is becoming popular all over the world. Even countries located thousand of miles away have started accepting western fashion. For instance, in China, after Mao Zedong's death and economic liberation, western suits became a norm, replacing traditional Mao suits. Moreover, Mao suits <sup>have</sup> now just became a collectable item on shelves of Chinese boutique. Moreover, world has now shown

more interest in foreign news. News channels are now covering international news for their broad and diverse viewership. To provide evidence, Cable News Network's (CNN) coverage of Berlin wall and Iraq's war (2003) highlight's the more interest of people on international affairs. Increasing interest in international news, highlights increasing interconnectedness among people. Hence, changing world dynamics has changed people's preferences.

Additionally, changing world's dynamics have led to the emergence of global sub cultures. People living in the together, belonging to different cultures, have led to formation of sub cultures. To illustrate, Davos culture - term highlighted by Samuel Huntington in his book Clash of Civilisation — One such example is emergence of Davos culture. It was first highlighted by political scientist, Samuel Huntington in his book The Clash of Civilisations. According to him, the 'Davos' comprises an elite group of highly educated people working in rarefied groups domains of international finance, media and diplomacy. Moreover, not only elite class but in also in academia such change is observed. Socialist Peter L. Berger has observed that globalisation of Euro-American academic agendas and lifestyle worldwide 'faculty club' — an international network of people having

similar values, attitudes and research goals. They have tremendous influence through their association with educational institutions and have been instrumental in promoting feminism, environmentalism and human rights as global issues. Therefore, ease of movements and world wide global interactions has formed global sub culture and rise in the number of cosmopolitans.

Furthermore, another group which has risen due to translational work force is "Translational workers". Indian born anthropologist Arjun Appadurai, studied English speaking professionals who live in western countries but trace back to South Asia. He concluded that the professionals, working internationally, have multiple home bases and they circulate in the social world. For instance, many software engineers and internet experts, working in Silicon valley, maintain strong ties to Indian states such as Maharashtra and Punjab. Hence, people have learned to live together, even if they belong to completely different cultures.

Growing interconnectedness has changed the way of glob working of global affairs and now people are adapting to live together. However, with this change this change also has also brought new challenges. The next

part of essay will explore the challenges brought by the changing global dynamics.

~~Firstly, increasing interconnectedness has increased the competition in simultaneously increased.~~

Firstly, increasing interconnectedness has significantly intensified competition in the economic sector. As more countries are focusing to increase exports to capture large international markets. Ease in communication and internet have made easier to trade and marketing their products. Moreover, use of countries are using modern machines to improve the quality of their goods. To illustrate, Bangladesh is now giving a tough competition to Pakistan in international garments markets.

Pakistan has observed a decline in its garments exports; however, it was one of the leading players in this sector. Additionally, changing global dynamics have also changed the job requirements.

Companies are giving preference to those employees who have better understanding of soft skills, especially AI-within-AI. in relation to AI. For instance, according to World Economic Forum report, "Future of Jobs 2020", AI will will create 97 million new jobs; however, they are also expecting it will displace 85 million jobs. Therefore, technological advancements has increased competition in economic sector.

Secondly, environmental problem has become a global issue. For better means of transportation and land connectivity, humans have damaged biodiversity. Roads have been constructed through natural habitats, causing disturbance in animal's habitat. Furthermore, air pollution and water pollution has affected population of organisms. For instance, according to World Life Fund's report, Living Planet, population of all organism — including mammals, reptiles, amphibians and insects — have decreased by 68% since 1970. Additionally, global warming, due to rise in number of factories and gasoline powered cars, have posed a serious threat to small island nations.

To provide evidence, in recent judgement passed by International Tribunal of Ocean Law (ITLOS) by has held that global warming is responsible for the rise in global sea levels. Hence, increasing interconnectedness <sup>has</sup> raised new challenges for world. climatic challenges for world. Thirdly,

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Thirdly, intolerance has increased due to growing number of smaller ethnic groups within larger ethnicities. Since Ease of movements has made it easier for different cultures to live in other countries. However, fear has aroused in the developed world that increasing cultural integration may replace their own culture. Therefore, number of violence cases due to intolerance has increased in the we developed countries. To illustrate, in L'Expansion poll, 60% of french citizen accepted that globalisation is a threat to french way of life. Additionally, countries are showing resistance against increasing interconnectedness and Friends. Elections have shown results have highlighted a growing trend towards. A growing trend is observed regarding hate against cultural interconnectedness and rising intolerance. As evident by result of European Union 2024 election, where for the first time for eight political parties managed to ~~given~~<sup>make</sup> tough time. made significant gains, challenging traditional parties. Furthermore, French intellectuals and politicians, like Hubert Vedrine, have criticized US, as a "hyper power" promoting global uniformity. Hence, intolerance against other ethnicities has increased and it seems to be on the forward track.

Fourthly, advancement in digital technology and globalisation has shifted the power dynamics of the world. Instead of military force and control over geographic borders,

and technology

the flow of information, manpower<sup>↑</sup> across the state lines bcz have become the central mechanism of power. This concept is called the virtual state concept. To illustrate, Kevin Kelly in his book, Out of Control : The New Biology of Machines, Social System and Economics, argues that "decentralized networks and digital advancement would <sup>let</sup> people to follow their own interest, and form virtual coalition that operates across natural border." Consequently, such changing global dynamics will challenge the current governance <sup>structure</sup> system, and can plunge countries into political abyss, if governments show resistance against the change.

Fifthly, increasing interconnectedness has led to cultural imperialism among the developing countries. Such phenomena occurs when ~~cultural~~ culture from the powerful and dominant group is forced or implemented by the less dominant group, resulting in erosion of local culture. For instance, camels were once part of Arab and Pakistani culture; however, with the advent of modern technologies camels are now obsolete. Additionally, value of local languages has also declined. The spread of English as a global lingua franca has led to the decrease in the importance of other example. languages. Indeed, the growth of english language

in subcontinent has led to the decrease in the importance of Subcontinent local languages! ~~of subcontinent~~. English is used as an official language in Pakistan despite its rich culture. ~~and moreover~~, it's ~~is~~. Despite of its rich culture, English is used as an official language in Pakistan. Pakistan has rich <sup>tapestry</sup> of local languages, traditions, and customs, yet English continues to play a significant role in official settings. The dominance of English reflects historical influences and contemporary trends. Therefore, ~~contemporary~~<sup>changing</sup> global trends and interconnectedness has caused erosion of local culture due to imperialism of more dominant culture over others.

Global dynamics are changing, and people are adapting new ways to requirements to

As global dynamics evolve, the criteria for successful living have also transformed. Therefore, countries must also adopt new policies to remain competitive. The following part <sup>of essay</sup> will discuss, what policies countries <sup>should</sup> adopt in <sup>the light of</sup> changing circumstances.

Firstly, countries must focus on learning and researching in new technologies. Social media has new technologies are creating new job opportunities; although, diminishing of they are diminishing old ones.

Indeed, employers need employees with better soft skills to gain maximum available achievable efficiency. Additionally, use of advanced technology in industries is certainly required to achieve higher and more cost effective productivity. Conversely, countries that do not adopt these technologies may struggle in international markets, leading to the decline in exports. Therefore, learning new technologies is beneficial from the economic point of view, and countries must focus on it to thrive economically in the competitive world.

Additionally, as cultural interconnectedness has increased, developing countries must learn to celebrate diversity rather than uniformity. Global cultural influence through globalisation is leading towards more uniformity rather than diversity. Hence, it can cause local culture erosion. However, new policies can be adopted to protect local cultures. For instance, Cultural Survival, a non-profit organisation, is highlighting and raising concerns for the rights of 'First people' — those who live on the indigenous habitant of some place. Such policies can raise awareness can be adopted at the national level as well, which will, consequently, impede local cultural erosion.

In retrospect, increasing cultural, political and economical integration has bound the world into a global village. This development, due to increase in global interactions, have changed the afflicted many challenges. Many changes <sup>how</sup> in the way world functions, and different ethnicities live together co-exists.

This change is catalyzing global uniformity by through standardization of units and time zones. Furthermore, global sub cultures has also evolved that is coalescing different cultures people from different cultural background into a single cultural entity. However, with increasing interconnectedness, certain new challenges have emerged that could <sup>badly</sup> impact countries' economics, environment, culture and communal peace. Therefore, ~~countries must adapt themselves while considering new challenges.~~

Therefore, it is imperative for countries to adopt new <sup>Policies</sup> challenges while considering new challenges, as they cannot be overlooked. Policy adaptation can not be overlooked, as John B. Taylor rightly said, "Globalization is a fact of economic life".