

War on Terror has Contributed to the growing abuse of human rights.

- 1) Introduction.
- 2) War on terror has contributed to the growing abuse of human rights:
 - 1) Prior to Global War on Terror, human rights abuses skyrocketed.
 - 2) Proliferation of terrorist groups after War on Terror contributed to the rising human rights violations.
 - 3) US's War on Terror set the stage for Iraq War in 2003.
 - 4) Many people succumbed to death during Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.
 - 5) War on Terror has affected the political fabric of Afghanistan which continues to violate the rights of Afghans.
 - 6) War on Terror led by the US undermined human rights in Pakistan.

- 7) Drone strikes inside Pakistan added more to the misery of Pakistanis.
- 8) As a result of war against terrorism, Europe got highly affected and many people have fallen ^{victim} prey to terrorist attacks.
- 9) Incomplete eradication of terrorism has left Chinese people vulnerable to human rights abuses as well.
- 10) Human rights abuses also affected the African region.
- 11) The impoverished countries of in Middle East are still bearing the brunt of the war in the form of human rights violations.

3) Conclusion.

During the onset of Global War on Terror, BUSH administration clearly sent a message to all the states in the following words, "Either you are with us or against us." Despite the ambitious goals of War on Terror, human rights violations followed the highest trajectories. Moreover, the psychological effects of this war ~~repercussions~~ ^{contribute} till date, ~~and so~~ ^{along with} does its repercussions. Unluckily, these human rights violations reached every corner of the globe.

and affected each and every individual. Before the onset of war, human rights violations caused by terrorists were unprecedented. Furthermore, terrorist groups multiplied after the war which have resulted in human rights abuses.

Additionally, US's War on Terror led to the beginning of Iraq War in 2003 as well. Not only this, but many people were ^{also} killed during Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan. War on Terror has also given rise to political crisis in Afghanistan which has undermined human rights. Moreover, in terms of human rights, Pakistan has been affected the most. Drone attacks inside Pakistan have been major contributors of human rights abuses. Moreover, War on Terror has also threatened human rights ~~violations~~ in Europe.

Therefore, War on Terror has played a significant role in increasing human rights violations around the world.

Before the war against terrorism commenced, many people died as a result of human rights abuses. Human rights abuses refer to the violation of universal rights of people. Before the war started, non-state actors had already targeted three buildings in the United States of America. Moreover, many people succumbed

death in this attack, causing a psychological paralysis in the US. Council on Foreign Relations has reported that in the attacks which took place in 2001 caused 3000 deaths. Henceforth, human rights abuses started even before the Global War of Terror had begun.

War on Terror has resulted in the creation of terrorist groups. These terrorist groups have created fear among the people since the incidents of September 11, 2001. When the world sided with the US and its war, different people became a part of terrorist groups to show their hatred and contempt towards this decision. In addition, most of these terrorist organizations are found in South Asia, in the neighbourhood of Afghanistan. According to National Counter Terrorism Authority, around 80,000 people have been killed in Pakistan by terrorist organizations which were formed after Global War on Terror. Therefore, War on Terror has contributed to the growing abuses of human rights by the creation of dangerous terrorist groups.

Many people succumbed to death during Iraq War. Iraq War was waged by the US against Saddam Hussein. As a part of US's Operation Enduring Freedom, it planned to crush anyone

who threatened global peace. In addition, when US found out that Iraq was allegedly started developing weapons of mass destruction, it conducted disproportionate attacks on Iraq. According to a researcher, 96000 people died due to US's disproportionate attacks on Iraq. Thus, Iraq was opened the doors of human rights abuses:

Unfortunately, many people have lost their lives in Afghanistan as well. US wreaked a havoc on the Afghan soil. The US military conducted strikes on Afghan soil which killed many people. Moreover, the country faced a ^{serious} huge humanitarian crisis and suffered famine, displacement, drought etc. & UN Refugee Organization has estimated that after War on Terror, 23.7 million people are in need of humanitarian and protection assistance. Thus, human rights abuses have skyrocketed in Afghanistan.

War on Terror has shattered the political fabric of Afghanistan and worsened the human rights situation. US left Afghanistan in a very helpless situation. US came to Afghanistan to form a democratic system as well. Contrarily, it failed in its objective. and Afghan Taliban took over after withdrawal of US

troops, leaving people ⁱⁿ ~~with~~ misery and worse condition. The UN has reported that 800 people have died as a result of extrajudicial killing and arbitrary arrests during Afghan Taliban's regime. Hence, War on Terror has left the fate of Afghans in the hands of Afghan Taliban where they face human rights violations on a daily basis.

War on terror had devastating effects ^{on} for the people of Pakistan as well. Pakistan continues to bear the consequences of the war today as well. Pakistan sided with the US in its war and became a battleground for terrorist activities. Furthermore, after US's withdrawal from Afghanistan, many terrorist organizations which had their origins in Global War on Terror reemerged, ~~which~~ they are directly affecting the citizens of Pakistan. Deutsche Welle reports have estimated that 757 people have died in Pakistan in 2024 due to militant activities. Therefore, Pakistanis feel severe consequences during and even after US's war against terrorism.

Additionally, drone strikes inside Pakistan have affected the citizens of Pakistan. Drone strikes are those attacks which use modern technology and modern warfare weapons like drones to minimize casualties. US violated Islamabad's sovereignty and

Conducted drone strikes to attack terrorist groups. Contrarily, US not only targeted terrorists but also the people of Pakistan. Former Diplomat, Tauqir Hussain highlighted Salala Incident in one of his research papers. He stated that drone strikes in Salala killed Pakistani soldiers and a few civilians as well. Thus, US's drone strikes inside Pakistan have violated human rights.

Europe has also born the brunt of US's global war on Terror. Europe has been the most peaceful region but ^{the} war against terrorism also created turmoil in Europe. First, Islamophobia has affected the lives of Muslims living in Europe. Second, terrorist groups have also conducted suicide blasts in European countries. According to different reports, Islamophobic crimes in Germany have doubled in 2023. Resultantly, Europe has also become a centre of human rights abuses.

Unfortunately, terrorism has not been wiped out from the world by the Global War on Terror. It has started to affect different nationalities as well. War on Terror has been favourable for China's adversaries. Additionally, China's arch-rivals used terrorists against its

Chinese citizens to create arduous situations for the country. Voice of America reported that in 2024, Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) attacked a Chinese civilian in Pakistan, and the mastermind behind the attack was Indian intelligence. Thereby, terrorism has also affected Chinese civilians.

The Global War on Terror has destabilized the African region as well. In terms of human rights, the region already lies ~~holds a rank on the~~ ^{on the} bottom of the UN's list ^{of} human rights protection. After the US defeated Al-Qaeda in Afghanistan, most of the terrorists fled to Africa. Moreover, the terrorist groups in Africa have committed heinous crimes against the Africans. Dr. Masood Khattak has stated that terrorist groups like Al-Qaeda, Boko Haram and Al-Shabab have found safe havens in Africa, and they even commit sexual ^{against women} assaults, rapes and other heinous crimes. Therefore, African region has been paralysed due to terrorist activities.

One of the most important regions of the world: Middle East remains under the threat of human rights abuses by terrorist organizations. After US's war in Iraq, sectarian violence rose in the Middle East. Moreover,

the vacuum left unfilled by political regimes in Middle East have been filled by terrorist groups. According to Middle East Institute, Syria which is already a war torn country, faces terrorist attacks by Al-Qaeda and the groups harm the people of the country with support of bigger powers. Thus, the poor countries in Middle East continue to face the consequences of Global War on Terror.

Global War on Terror has increased the number of human rights abuses around the world. Ultimately, the war became a curse for the world due to its unending consequences. Incomplete destruction of terrorism has left the Chinese vulnerable to human rights abuses as well. Furthermore, human rights abuses continue to rise in the African region as well. Not only this, but under-developed countries in Middle East have suffered the most during Global War on Terror. Most importantly, War on Terror has affected Pakistani people the most as it became the front line state. War on Terror has destroyed the political dynamics of Afghanistan, and resultantly, rights of Afghans are being undermined. Moreover, US's Operation Iraqi Freedom, became a part of US's War on Terror. Additionally, terrorist groups have multiplied after the war and

many people have been affected by them. Furthermore, drone strikes inside Pakistan have contributed to a number of casualties. Lastly, the war itself was a result of American casualties which took place on 11 September 2001. The US has ~~done~~^{done} ~~nothing~~^{done} less efforts to help the under-developed countries to ~~fight~~ counter human rights abuses. Contrarily, it has only pointed fingers at them for not ~~considering~~^{addressing} human rights abuses. US should stand ~~by~~^{with} less developed countries and even Europe to reduce the sufferings of people around the world. As a scholar of International Relations has said, "Human should be the referent object when securitizing a threat".
