

Nations do not die
from Invasion, they
die from Internal
rottenness.

① Introduction

History of civilizations is replete with events of rise and fall of nations. While these events might be studied in association with external invasions, a closer look reveals a ~~more~~ different truth. It is not external invasion but internal rottenness caused by social inequalities, institutional dysfunctioning, corrupt leadership and loss of national values that become precursors of nations' downfall. External invasions only exploit these ~~reasons~~ issues and act as final blow. While it is possible for nations to avoid downfall, their survival depends upon their ability to assess and will to reform their flaws. Thus, even though internal rottenness is the real reason of nations' downfall, it can still be avoided by nipping the evil in the bud.

② ~~Interested~~ While External Invasions might seem to be actual apparently ^{the} point where nations saw down-fall but on a close-up look its the nation's internal rottenness that left it unable to cope with this invasion.

③ Internal rottenness reveals nation's vulnerabilities that later become cause of its downfall.

a- social inequality can cause discord among people.

b- ~~Internal~~ Institutional dysfunction can lead to eroding trust in institutions.

c- Corrupt leadership will lack political vision.

d- loss of national values gives rise to individualism and fragmentation.

④ Ineffectiveness of External Invasion lies in :

a- its impacts that are easily visible ~~and~~ so an earlier cure is possible.

↳ b-only succeed by exploiting pre-existing internal weaknesses.

④ Survival of Nation depends upon its ability to assess internal flaws at an early stage and will to address these issues.

a- Recognition is insufficient;

⑤ the real danger lies in the failure to reform-

b- Procrastination only allows rot to deepen.

⑤ Nipping the evil in the Bud through:

a- Addressing social inequalities

b- Strengthening institutions, promoting transparency and accountability

c- ~~gain~~ Proactive leadership and education to inculcate a stronger vision.

d- Reinvigorating national identity and cohesion

6- Conclusion:

Ultimately, history ^{suggests} ~~proves~~ that when nations are internally resilient, they can ~~over~~ avoid or recover from any threat. On the otherhand, if pressed under the weight of their ~~own~~ internal rot, even the mightiest of the nations crumble down to pieces. Therefore the ultimate lesson is that it is not external enemies that bring downfall of nations but their inability to recognize and cure internal flaws in time. The real strength of a nation lies in its capability of self-reflection and reform; ensuring its survival from both external and internal threats.
