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English Essay Mock-II

Topic

"Unseen Consequences
of War"

Outline

1. Introduction

1.1 Hook

1.2 General statements

1.3 **Thesis**: Guns may fall silent when the war ends but its unseen consequences leave an everlasting impact on mental and physical health, economy and infrastructure of any nation.

2. Exploring the root causes of war

2.1 Realist mindset of leaders

2.2 Authoritarianism and for the sake of power

2.3 National interests of states.

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3. Unseen consequences of war

3.1 War affects the mental and physical health of civilians

- a. Traumatizing the innocent civilians
- b. Fear, anxiety and depression.
- c. Post-war deadly diseases.
- d. Famines affecting physical health.

3.2 Economic setback to the countries

- a. Infrastructural damage
- b. Reduced industrial output
- c. Disrupted trade
- d. Agricultural loss

3.3 Post-war disasters

- a. Famines and food shortages
- b. Spread of deadly diseases
- c. Increase in natural disasters e.g earthquakes

3.4 Loss of human life

- a. 15 - 20 million people died in WW-I
- b. 70 - 85 million people died in WW-II
- c. 84,000 people died in Gaza since Oct, 2023

3.5 Environmental damages

- a. Air pollution
- b. Affects the climate cycle
- c. Land pollution i.e rubble

3.6 Future consequences of war

- a. Traumatized generations
- b. Economic instabilities leading to inflation and poverty
- c. Prolongs rivalry and conflicts

4. Way forward to the wars

- a. Cooperation and liberalism
- b. Table talks and negotiations
- c. Optimistic leaders
- d. Controlled and symmetric wars

5. Conclusion

Destruction and humanitarian losses are inevitable in any war so to avoid war at every cost is the most reliable solution to wars.

Whenever countries initiate war, they automatically join hands with destruction and far-reaching losses. Destruction and humanitarian losses are inevitable in any war. They also go hand in hand. Humanity has always paid a huge price of these wars, Either in the form of losing their loved ones, migrating from their own homes or seeing their own country burning down to ashes. The callousness of war is it burns down everything the economy, the infrastructure, agriculture and all above the humanity. The unseen consequences leave an everlasting impacts on the mental and physical health of people dropping them in extreme misery.

Before jumping into the unseen consequences of war, let's understand some of its root causes.

"Wars does not end when
guns fall silent , it
begins where peace
cannot healed "

War is an anthropological disease that man has innated. It remained unavoidable in every era. The roots of war erupt on the grounds of economic and geographical war. The books of history are overloaded with stories when the war was fought on the grounds of power. It is the realist mindset of present and previous leaders who wanted to exercise their power on military grounds. When the leaders go blind in the race of power and large empires , along with victory or loss , destruction awaits them too. The authoritarian mindset of monarchs in the history and tussel of national interest today are the

root causes of war. With the advent of nuclear age, the nature of war changed somehow but its root causes still are intacted in the grounds of power.

Along with the visible consequences of war there are some other consequences that are left unnoticed. Mental and physical health of war survivors is one of them. They live their rest of life in an unhealed trauma.

**"The dead are burried
but the trauma lives
on; unnamed,
unnoticed and unseen"**

War prevails fear and anxiety and those who luckily survived war will continue to live in that anxiety. Because the war has traumatized them and destruction around them even drops them in the dark well of depression. This fear and anxiety

affects their mental health and the food shortages that show up as a result of wars continue to affect the physical health of civilians too. And when the trauma is left unhealed it continues to affect the future generations too and the traumatized generations cannot revive a country back to normal.

Along with affecting the mental and physical health of civilians, war shows up with economic setbacks to the countries as well.

To avoid infrastructural damage is somehow inevitable in a war. So, countries involved in war pay a hefty amount in the form of disrupted trade, industrial loss, per capita income, agricultural loss and infrastructural damage. All this lead the states towards poverty and inflation.

In any war, the main focus of state is to survive the war and in the mean

sense it utilizes its savings to buy more arms and weapons. This proves a huge blow to the economy of states.

"The WW-I resulted in financial loss of \$200 billion and WW-II resulted in financial loss of \$4 trillion"

Irrespective of humanitarian loss, it was a huge blow to the world economy. It may take a bomb or two to destroy the hospitals or schools but it takes years of struggle and hefty amounts to re-build them. Moreover, the sanctions and tariffs are used by rivals and their allies to slow down their economy. Just as U.S imposed tariffs on China to resist their emerging economy. So, a war always come with high cost and the world had always paid this cost to it.

Another amount that world pays to wars is in the form of natural disasters and diseases that erupt as a result of war.

When the two rival states target each other with bombs and missiles, the consequences last even after the war. The chemicals and energies used in bomb and missile formation stays in the air in the form of hazardous gases and pollutes the environment. When the civilians breathe this chemically polluted air, it causes respiratory diseases. As a result of pollution, people also experience malaria (due to sewerage leaks), cholera, diarrhea, etc. The case becomes concerning when the nuclear bombs are involved in the war and cause everlasting impacts. Beyond destruction, the radiations emit by the nuclear bombs disrupt the climate cycle causing extreme temperatures and irregular rainfall.

patterns, increased volcanic activities and earthquakes and abnormality in the new babies. It was experienced in Japan when it got hit by America's nuclear missiles during WW-II

" On 6 and 9 August, 1945
U-S detonated two
nuclear bombs on
Hiroshima and
Nagasaki (cities of
Japan) during WW-II "

It is reported that Japan is still experiencing the deadly consequences of the radiations emitted by these wars in the form of volcanic eruptions abnormalities in their generations and irregular rainfall patterns. Apparently, Japan may have recovered from the destruction of war but its unseen consequences are still lasting.

Beyond loss and victory, war bargain human lives with the rival states.

The highest and costly amount that man pays to a war is the life of innocent civilians. These innocent civilians falling a prey to the propaganda of war for years now. To kill an innocent is like killing all humanity but the rivals who face each other in the battleground believes only to be remembered in the pages. The two most deadliest wars ever fought in the history of the world are world war-I and world war-II. The destruction and loss caused by these wars give chills till the date.

"It was reported that 15-20 million people died during WW-I and 70-85 million people died during WW-II"

Both wars created a domino effect involving other countries and their military which resulted in such a big human loss. Moreover, if we look onto the current dynamics of the world,

there is still a war going on that might not seem to be destructive but bargaining the human lives. The war is decade long conflict between Israel and Palestine that has become more a genocide now.

"84,000 people died in Gaza, Palestine since Oct, 2023 as a result of Israel's genocide"

People in Gaza till today are sleeping to death due to Israel's genocide and the famine erupted in Gaza as Israel has blocked all the food aid reaching to Gaza. War in its any form has always been destructive and will remain destructive forever because war is never the solution to anything.

In addition to all these deadly consequences, war affects our climate, environment, damages the green belt of earth and causes pollution. The chemical gases released as a result of bombing and missiles pollutes the air.

"Militaries are estimated to account for 5.5% of global green house gas emission"

The war in Ukraine has led to atypical air pollution destroying industries and energy sites. Moreover, the war in Gaza damaged the infrastructure creating rubble and land pollution. The hazardous gases emit from bombing affects the natural pattern of rainfall resulting in irregular rainfall patterns and acid rains. The untargeted and blind bombing during wars affects the green belt of earth causing fires in the forest. In general, war impacts our environment too.

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War is not confined to any fix time period. Even when the war apparently ends, its consequences are experienced globally. The generation which somehow survived the war gets traumatized by it and in return this trauma will move on to future generation. The generation who was going to be the future of state, is anxious and unhealed now. Furthermore, the economic set back caused by the war, results in the poverty and inflation. This takes years of struggle to get back to the stable economy and minimum inflation rates. The war between the two states leave a vacuum in their relationship. And when this vacuum is not filled with cooperation, it pro-longs the conflict and rivalry even between the residents of two states. Such as India and Pakistan are still continuing the tussel since 1947.

"I can not believe that war is the best solution. No one won the last war, and no one will win the next war"

~ Eleanor Roosevelt

War is never a lasting solution and will never be. War won at the cost of human lives is never a victory or achievement. No matter how many wars will be fought, there will still be a conflict in the world. War is not a solution to everything or to prevail peace in the world. There can never be a war to end all wars in the world. The solution to wars lies in the theories of idealism and liberalism. Conflicts and disagreements can be solved through table talks and cooperation. It's way better to negotiate on a certain conflict rather to bargain economy, peace and

human lives with it. The world needs optimistic leaders who can see long-run consequences of war and avoid those through negotiations.

The world is living in the nuclear age and a full fledged war will end the world now because the nuclear power countries have way more powerful nukes than those threw on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

The world needs to take collective efforts to address actual issue that risk the future of earth such as climate change rather to fight over a territory. A systematic and collective efforts and effective policies are the need of hour to address the on-going conflicts.

Hence, when the guns fall silent the consequences speak louder and unseen consequences of war leave an everlasting impact world-wide.