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Escalating Middle east.

Israel's genocide in Gaza along with its unregulated aggression across the region against its neighbours have led to many to maximize their defence under constant threat from Zionist regime. Iran who is considered as leader of proxies in the region against Israel also exchanged airstrikes with Israel recently. The situation was highly volatile when new intelligence reports suggested Iran's resurgence of nuclear ambitions in wake of threats further aggression from Israel. Change in US administration, return of Trump, was thought to bring change in US policy regarding Middle East. That however, partly realized during recent visit to the region by Trump; sidelining Israel's ambitions to subdue the Arab world under US support. Moreover, for Israel, given its geography, even a single nuclear bomb procured by Iran is a threat to its survival. Assessing the intentions from Iranian side, Israel can't let Iran to produce

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Nukes, as would be considered strategically
a doomsday situation for Israel. Given the threat
that Iran is near to create dozens of armed
in days, Israel was prone to take preemptive
kinetic action on nuclear facilities in Iran; however,
fearing unrelented escalation that could cause unintended
consequences far beyond the region, US pressured
Israel to forgo such intentions and strived for
a nuclear deal. Such negotiations were ongoing,
when reports of a stalemate between US and
Iran surfaced, suggesting that neither side was
willing to concede under complexities of the deal.
Israel on early Friday struck Iranian facilities
believing that the negotiations are deemed to fail or
to coerce a deal onto the Iranian state. Both the
states have initiated a new, possibly prolonged conflict
in the region. The statements suggest that options of
restraint & de-escalation are slim. Where does
this conflict pave its way is yet to be
seen before concluding any geopolitical future.
Furthermore, US has sidelined itself from these
attacks but warn Iran of any attack on US
assets or personnel. Will US jump in the conflict
or let the ~~conflict~~ obligation remain confined in
the region. The chances are high that this
conflict will not be able to hold itself within
the region and superpowers may choose sides to fight a
great war in this region.

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Deradicalization of Society.



Deradicalization of society requires policy maintaining balance between security, civil liberties, and rehabilitation. Pakistan's society is witnessing increasing radicalization as resorting to extreme ideologies has become the norm for anyone feeling disenfranchisement and alienation from the political process. There are several external and internal factors for increasing extremism on religious, sectarian and ethnic basis in Pakistan. Many embedded in history of state policies like Afghani jihad, sectarianism and Islamization of 1980s and post 9/11 infiltration of terrorists across border. Beside the external and regional intrusions, shifting lens from macro to micro perspectives poverty, discrimination, alienation, unemployment, and illiteracy are major reasons for someone taking up arms and resorting to violence. Moreover, in response to this increasing societal rupture state has narrowly focused on punitive measures only and ignoring a more effective method of rehabilitation, rather than extensive rehabilitation. Criminal justice system of Pakistan is already ^{below} ~~before~~ the satisfactory remedies, community-based policy and reintegration are still unexplored or not fully utilized measures that can help to meet desired results more efficiently and without burdening scarce state resources. Deradicalization is necessary for a healthy democratic system as it would let inclusion, tolerance.

Iran-Israel conflict.

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Test: IAEA's report on Iran not complying with the board, implying suspicions over its growing enrichment of uranium, proved as a final spark for Israel to go for a war against Iran. Israel used the umbrella term of 'preemptive attack' against Iran's nuclear ambition. As far as Israel is concerned, it sees a nuclear Iran as a threat to its survival; believing that once Iran procure a nuclear bomb it will not deter from using one against the Zionist state. Although, the supreme leader has already sanctioned the use of atomic bomb as un-Islamic, Iran's quest for a nuclear capability, as alleged by west, could merely be either a bargaining chip or to buy a nuclear deterrence for itself to dissuade Israel or west from using any unprovoked aggression against the ~~the~~ revolutionary regime. In either case, there is no imminent, credible threat of Iran using nukes against Israel recklessly. Therefore calling it a preemptive attack, which requires not suspicion but credible intelligence that the future course of action would definitely be against the weaker, is wrong as far as international norms and definitions are concerned. An other insight from academics, is a strategy of a good cop Bad cop being played out here. America being a good cop is trying to persuade Iran for complete denuclearization that seems a better deal than Israel, playing bad cop, seeking regime change following surrender of Iran in a long tough battle.