

How Pakistan should Combat 5GW

Successfully?

Introduction:

The criteria of warfare has transformed from to the domain of ideas, use of misinformation, spreading of misinformation. Pak due to its strategic location, Political polarization, Fragile economy, rise of Sectarianism has become primary target of 5GW. Different stages were passed before 5GW. First Generation War, fought on battle field, source are Horse, gun etc.

examples: Pallasy. Second Gen. War, fought in hidden places through ruse, Gun machine

examples: WWI. 3rd Gen. War: through tanks, Ships, Submarines, examples: WWI, Pak-India 1965, Hiroshima-Nagasaki. 4th

Gen. War: Support provided to local unrest through Information Technology 5th

Gen. War: Trigger mindset of people, through Social media. Pakistan need Multidimensional strategic plan, Shift from not conventional \rightarrow non-conventional engagement, build NCTA, promt NAP strategy.

EUDisinfoLab (2020): "Indian chroniclers" report of Pakistan face one of largest disinformation campaign, Governance fragility, underscoring the urgency of a whole nation approach that blends diplomacy, governance and innovation to safeguard sovereignty in digital era.

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Hybrid warfare

Mixture of kinetic and non-kinetic measures against your rivals to achieve geopolitical, military and diplomatic objectives.

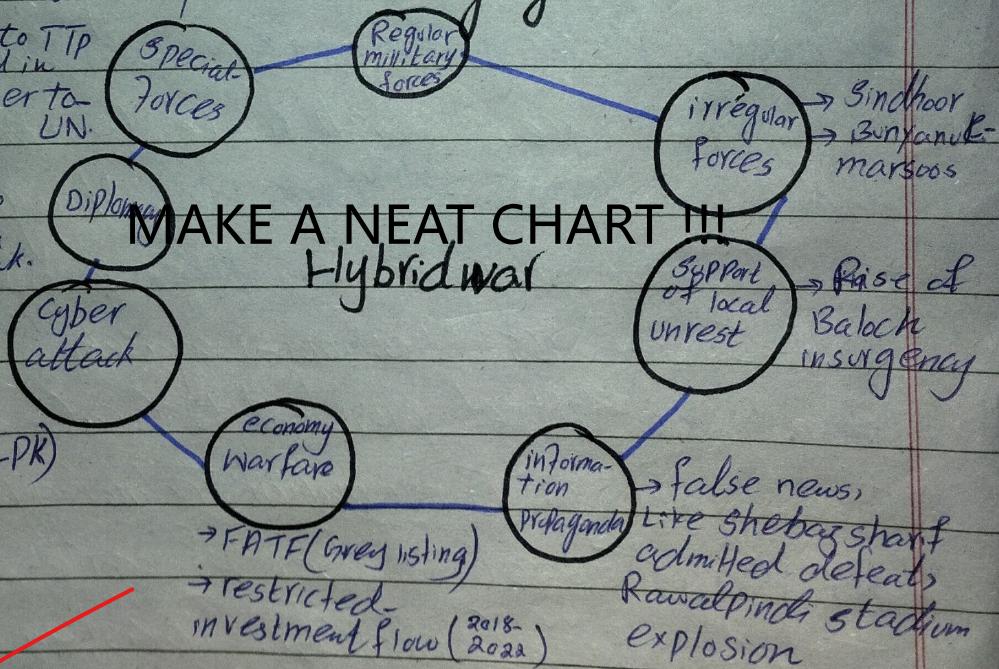
It also part of Grey Jane war.

→ India support to TTP proxies revealed in Pak 2020 dossier to UN.

→ EUD- DisinfoLab, Indian chronicler, 750 fake media outlet maligning Pak.

→ India 2020, Cyber intrusion attempt on Pak power grid → (CERT-PK)

MAKE A NEAT CHART !!! Hybrid war



It Targeted by many Systems
but 5th war is targeted to just
2 System

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i) information

ii) Non-state actor.

Case study

Indian Terrorist attack on C.I.H.C D Rwp
as though, are not able to destroy the

building → This is hybrid attack

After this, Indian media promote

propaganda claimed: Pak military
system were not safe means its

all forces system are not secured
that make negative impact of

Pak to other countries → This is

5th Generation war.

3)

5th Generation Warfare

It include two factors:

a) information control propaganda.

→ Done by social media Done by N.S.A.

Non-state Actor: like T.T.P, P.T.M (Pashtun
Tahafuz movement), Islamic state of khurasan.

When non-state actor changes into
violence non-state actor they engage
in irregular, Asymmetric Warfare.

They targeted: ^{in Pak} Balochistan, FATA,
(G.B, (Systan) Porous Boarder.

2013: Indian Army chief admitted they build "Technical Sport Division", just after 2008 Mumbai attack.

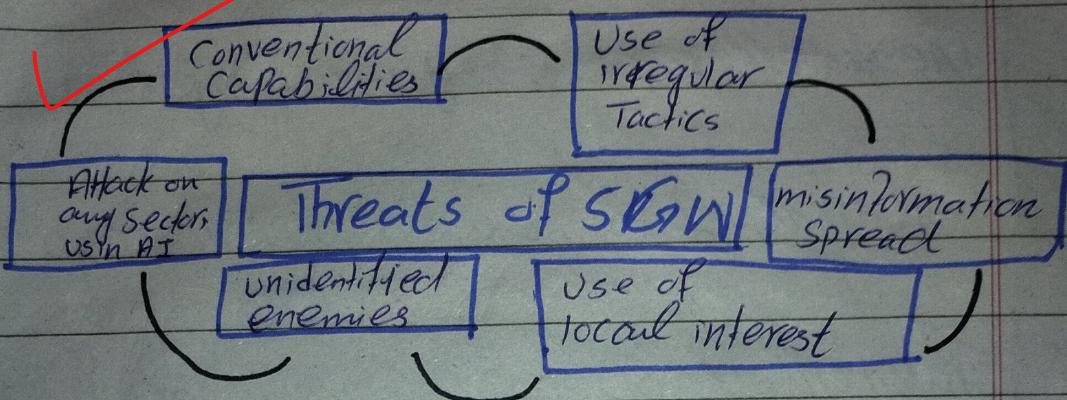
- In the extension of Block insurgency, include RAW, NDS, Khad (Afghan agency), MOSAD (Isreal intelligence Agency).

Major Events occurred due to 5th (G.W.)

- 3 March 2016: Indian naval Commander Kalbhushan JadHAV arrested in case to target the "Gawadar Project" through CPEC.
- After Cold War in Ukraine, different mode of war were used like subversions, proxies, conventional military operation. Purpose: To deter, coerce adversary.
- Operation Sindhur: India attacked on Pak, Indian media hyping unverified claims like 100 terrorist & killed. 31 verified misinformation cases detailed in Fake News Watchdog (2025)

4)

Threats involved in S&W



i) Main Target:

Politics and military Sectors.

ii) Main issues in Pak:

Different are following:

Low digital/media literacy

Fragmented strategic communication

Cyber Governance Gap

Eco

Economic Fragility

Political Polarization

Involvement of non-state actor.

Ethnic-Nationalist Division

Manipulation in Public opinion

Growing Radicalization

iii) Media illiteracy: During crises like

Covid-19 and Pulwama 2019, recent

election cycle, false narrative spread

faster than official clarification.

media illiteracy = Easy weaponization



internal chaos, external isolation.

ii-b Fragmented Strategic Communications.

Delayed, inconsistent rebuttals

ii-c Cyber Governance Gap:

Cyber Governance Gap = Delayed Action +

Weak regulation → Adversaries gain edge in hybrid warfare.

Example:

2020, CERT-PK warned of India Phishing attack targeting Govt employees, but poor in inter-agency coordination delayed mitigation.

ii-d Economic Fragility

Weak economy makes Pak vulnerable to coercion through sanction, debt.

Example:

FATF grey listing cost 38bn\$

(IMF report)

ii-e Political Polarization

Divide Political culture provide distribution: like FATA, Baloch Nationalist, T.T.P. Pak Tahafuz Movement.

Social media campaign after 2022 regime change creates mistrust among institution

-f Involvement of non-state actor

increase insurgencies like in Balochistan and other sector like T.T.P, Hizbul Mujahideen, Al-Qaida, Islamic State of Khurasan.

-g Ethnic Nationalist Division

In Pak 1971, dismiss the public opinion about Kalat division.

h Manipulation of Public Opinion

Due to lack of media literacy.
Example:

During Palwama 2019, false news of 300 death in Balakot strike spread widely before verification.

Growing Radicalization:

Extremist ideologies enable recruitment for proxy wars.

Example:

In Pak, Baloch Youth, Sindh Nationalist Group, In Sri Lanka → liberation Tiger of Tamil that is, militant group, are highly radicalized.

5)

Combating Ways:

Ajit Doval, Give Doval Doctrine.

which mean "offensive Defence" strategy, where India seeks to destabilize adversaries (mainly Pak) internally rather than through open war.

• By reconsidering strategic Doctrine.

5-i By youth, Academia, Tech (Reform CASS)

• incentivize open-source intelligence (OSINT)

clubs, researching institutes

ISSI, IPRI, CASS, PIDE

• Research Grant to counter deepfakes

→ Emergence Pak/Global scholarship on AI & hybrid war.

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5-ii) Developing strategic-Communication center.

Establish NSCC to synchronize
Govt. Military- Provinces- Regulator Mission
Abroad with clear SOPs for rapid rebuttal.

5-iii) Cyber Resilience. (Reform CSP)

- Operationalize "Cyber Security Policy" (2021)
- Create a "Joint Cyber Command" for defence in Grey zone

5-iv) Economic shielding: (Reform PIDE)

- making strong economy, transparent, diverse
- no one can easily target it through
 i) Sanction ii) fake news, financial pressure

5-v) Political and Social Cohesions.

Political Cohesion: Political parties agree on "No Fake News pact" for the sake of national security.

Social Cohesion: Govt + Political Parties work together to Close Gaps in neglected areas so that people trusted the state instead of hostile propaganda. Reform PIDE IPRI.

- iv) Diplomatic Track: (Reform 1551, EU.start.com)

International Diplomatic track mean

- Show the world the enemy's propaganda
- Make friends with the countries that faced same problem.
- Work with social media companies to remove false news quickly.
- Get training from Global experts like NATO.start.com to strengthen Pak defenses.
- Establish institute like DARPA runs Media Forensics Program to fight deepfakes.

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Conclusion:

Duaid-e-Ajam.

"With Faith, Discipline, Unity and selfless devotion to duty, there is nothing worthwhile that you can't achieve."

Pakistan victory in 5GW by trust on all provinces, make it one state, synchronized credible defence system, empower each and every people from each province.