

QUES

Explain the concept of Muslim Ummah and give the detail of crisis faced by Muslim Ummah today? I.D

~~EXPLAINING THE CONCEPT OF UMMAH AND DETAILING THE CRISIS FACED BY UMMAH:~~

~~INTRODUCTION:~~

Muslim Ummah refers to a unique identity of Muslims which was founded by Prophet (PBUH). Muslim Ummah represents a **socio-political and economic entity** with distinct beliefs and norms in the light of Islam.

Muslim Ummah transcends the state boundaries and encompasses every faith-bearer of Islam, having pronounced the oneness of Allah Almighty. Despite the fact that the concept of Muslim Ummah is so strong, Muslims are facing

multifarious crisis in the form of terrorism, extremism, radicalisation, sectarianism, poverty, backwardness, cultural onslaught of western civilisations, political chaos, disunity and economic depravity. Both internal and external factors are responsible for the downfall of Muslim Ummah. However, the adherence to the teachings of Prophet (PBUH) can root out the above-mentioned crisis.

1. EXPLAINING THE CONCEPT

OF MUSLIM UMMAH:

1a. LEXICOLOGY:

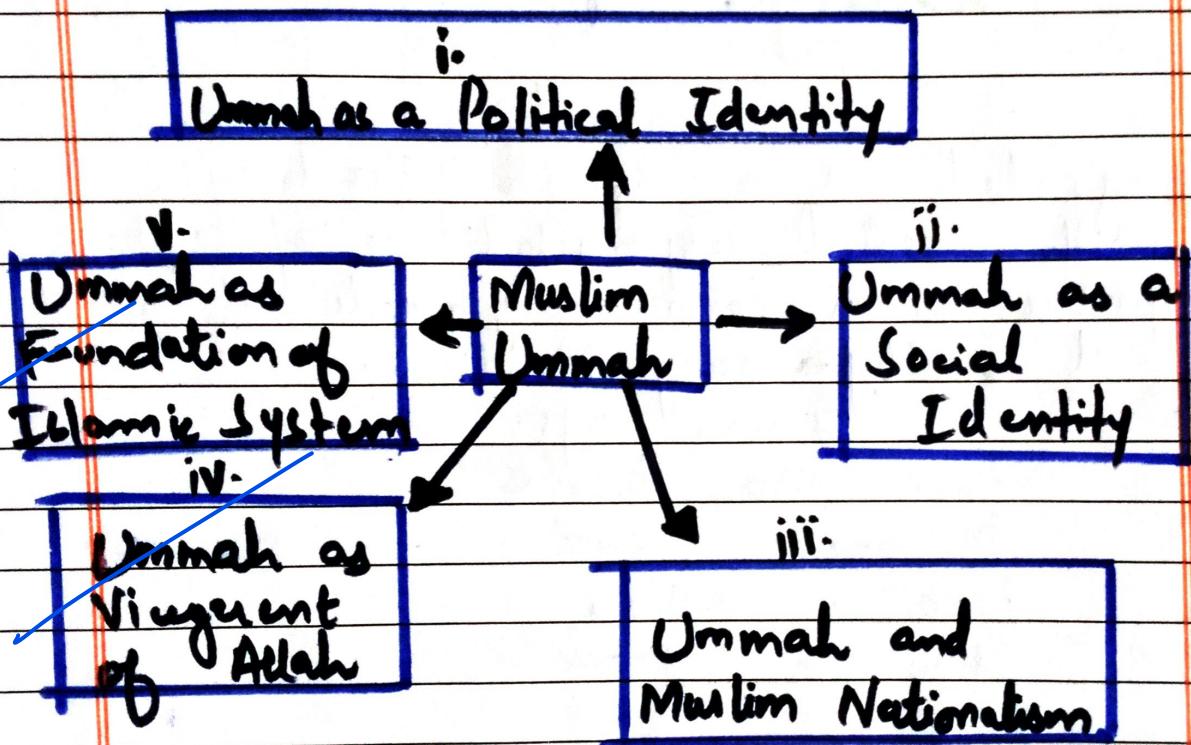
Ummah is from "Umm" which means "root". In Arabic, it means "to give rise to something".

1a. MEANING OF MUSLIM UMMAH:

The unique social, political and religious group following the ideological

principles of Islam, united by faith and possessing similar goals and objectives, constitute muslim Ummah".

3a. EXPLANATION OF MUSLIM UMMAH:



i. Muslim Ummah as a Political Identity:

Muslim Ummah is a political identity, having the responsibility of establishing the political system of Islam. Muslims have been ordered by Allah

Almighty to materialise His kingdom on earth.

Examples:

↳ State of Medina established by Prophet (PBUH)

↳ Rashidoon Caliphate

ii. Ummah as a Social Entity:

Ummah has been regarded as a social entity with social responsibilities of establishing justice, pious community, rule of law and unity among Muslims.

Quran says,

Those who invite to good and forbid evil, they are good people.

(Surah Aal-e-Imran)

iii. Ummah as Viceregent of Allah:

وَإِذْ قَالَ رَبُّكَ لِلْمَلَائِكَةِ إِنِّي جَاعِلٌ فِي الْأَرْضِ

When you Lord said to the angels "I am going to appoint my viceregent on earth".

(Surah Baqarah)

Above ayat of Surah Baqarah illustrates that Ummah has the responsibility of spreading the message of Allah and withholding his principles.

iv. Ummah and Muslim Nationalism:

The concept of Muslim Ummah transcends the bounds of nation-state system as Global said:

ایک یہوں مسلم گرم کی پاسانی کے
تیل کے ساحل سے تا تاک کا شفتر

v. Muslims as ^{Ummah} Basis of Islamic System:

Ummah has been attributed as the foundation of Islamic social, economic and political system. As Prophet (PBUH) said:

"Muslim Ummah is like a building whose blocks strengthen the other blocks".

انہا الکومنون اخوة ۝
Verily, Muslims are the brethren. - (Surah Hajrat)

a. DETAIL OF THE

CRISIS FACED BY MUSLIM UMMAH: *Reduce the size.*

i. Terrorism in the Muslim Countries:

The rampant terrorism is one of the greatest challenges faced by Muslim Ummah. The proliferation of extreme ideology, contrary to the Islamic values, has normalised the reign of terror, oppression and weaponisation.

Convinced → Death of 90,000 people in Pakistan as a result of terrorism.

ii. Extremism and Radicalisation:

The spread of extremism and radicalisation is another crisis faced by Muslim Ummah. Allah says:

◦ *وَلَا إِكْرَامٌ*

There is no compulsion in religion.

(Surah. Baqara)

However, radicalisation and intolerance have been propagated by religious clerics against the concept of tolerance in Islam.

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III. Sectarianism and Disunity:

Muslim Ummah is divided on sectarian lines which has disunited the Ummah. The cold war between Shiaism and Sunnism and conquest for dominion have left the Muslim Ummah burning in conflicts and violence.

→ The Cold War in the Muslim World explains the ideological and political chasm between Iran and Saudi Arabia which have divided and weakened Muslims.

IV. Backwardness and Illiteracy:

Almighty Allah has ordained Muslims to seek both worldly and religious knowledge. However, Muslim Ummah is lacking in skills, knowledge and modern education.

Quran says:

هُل لِّي سُلْطَنٌ الَّذِينَ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ

Those who know and those who do not know, can they be equal?

(Surah Zumar)

✓ V. Globalisation and Onslaught of Western Culture:

Global Western culture and its values of liberalism and secularism has presented the image of Islam as a backward religion. It has not only impeded the spread of Islam but also inculcated skepticism in the hearts of Muslims. Moreover, media culture has dualized the Muslims.

✓ VI. Islamophobia: A Challenge for Muslim Ummah:

as:

"Unfounded hostility towards Islam and Muslims". - (Runnymede Trust)

Fear of Islam and Muslims is another challenge faced by Muslims after 7/7 and 9/11. It has hindered the progress of Muslim countries greatly.

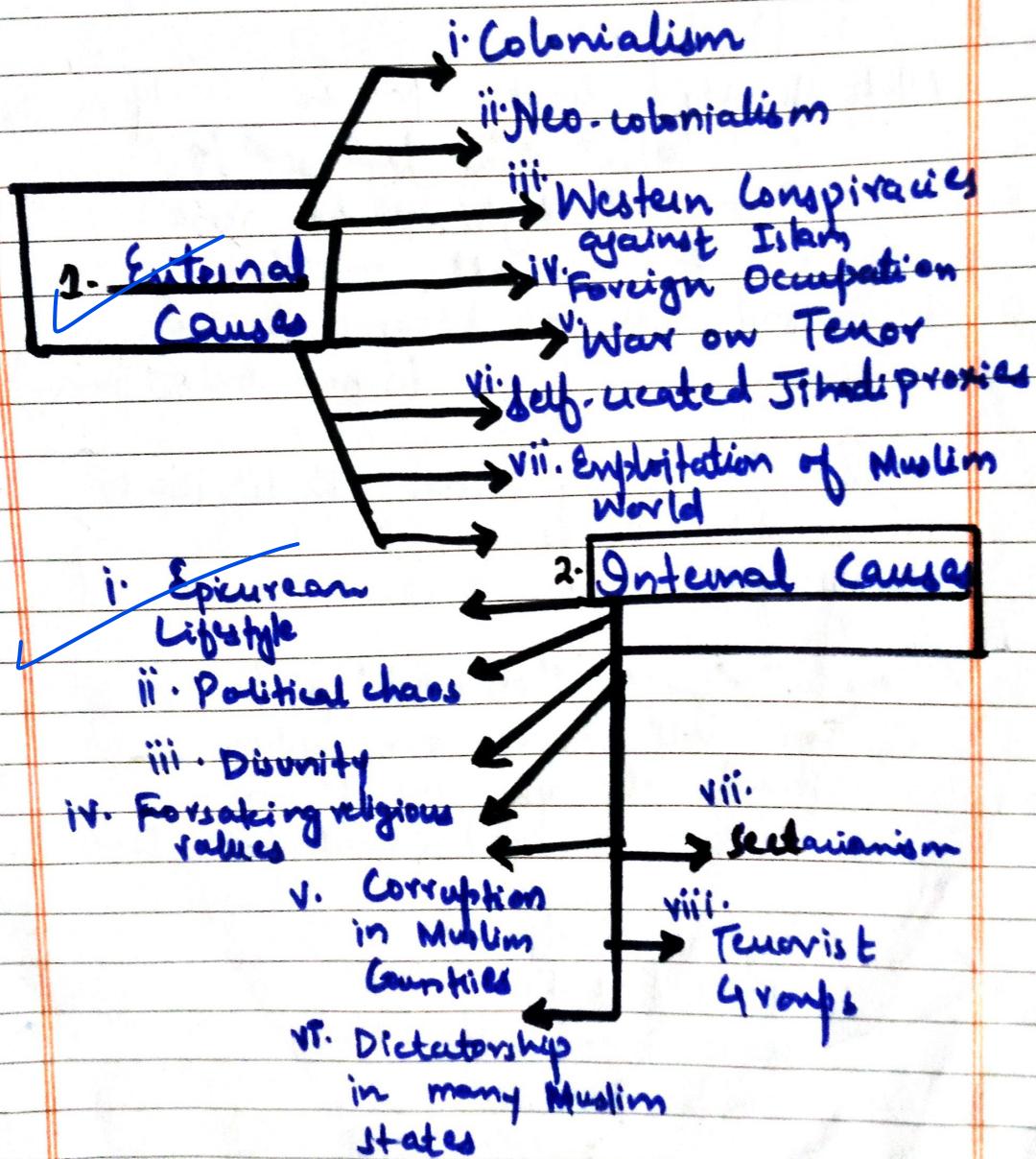
✓ VII. Western Media, IT and Technology vs Muslim's Regression:

Muslim countries face the lacuna in the field of technology and information technology.

As a result, they face challenges to propagate the message of Islam and acquire glory in the world.

2a. CAUSES OF THE CRISIS

FADED BY UMMAH



36. SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS OF MUSLIM

Ummah:

i. Unity:

Allah Almighty stresses upon the unity in Quran.

وَلَا تُنْفِرُنَّ عَنِ الْجَمْعِ
And hold tight by the rope
of Allah all together
and do not become divided.

(Surah Al-e-Imran)

ii. Following the Religious Principles:

Quran says:

وَإِنْتَمْ أَعْلَمُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ إِنَّمَا يُنَزَّلُ مِنْ كِتَابٍ
You will have an answer
hand if you are Muslim.

(Surah. Al-e-Imran)

iii. Knowledge:

Prophet (PBUH) said:

Seek knowledge from
cradle to grave.

(Hadith)

iv. Moderation:

Quran says:

"Your job is to warn them. You are not to force them." (Surah Yusuf)

CONCLUSION:

In a nutshell, Muslim Ummah is embroiled in multi-faceted crisis ranging from extremism to illiteracy and backwardness. Extremism and intolerance have taken deep roots in the Muslim countries, tarnishing the image of Islam. These problems can be eradicated by adopting a holistic approach to reinvigorate the concept of Muslim Ummah in the light of Quran and Sunnah. As Ummah is a political and social entity, the glory of Islam in modern era rests with the ideology of Muslim Ummah. As **Badiuzzaman**

Nursi said:

ANSWER IS FINE AND RELEVANT BUT AVOID USING COMMON AYAT AND AHADIS WRITE DIFFERENT UNCOMMON AYAT OVER ALL FINE CONCLUDE THE ANSWER ON 9TH 10TH PAGE MAX 12/20

"Our enemies are
divinity, ignorance
and hatred against
which we will make
Jihad with love, knowledge
and art".

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