

Multipolarity : promoting peace or
quelling war

1 Introduction

Thesis statement :

Multipolar world promotes peace
or quells war is the question
in today's world. However, multipolarity
quells war ^{more} than promoting peace
in the world. Bigger powers have
destabilized the world for their
hegemony.

2 How multipolarity promotes peace or quells war

3 Multipolarity quells war more than promoting peace

a) Constant tug of power for regional hegemony

b) Hostility towards smaller nations' resources

c) ~~Politics~~ ~~War~~ Economy is boosted by fuelling

d) Technology shifts ~~from~~ towards arms race

e) Environmental health is paid no attention

f) No regards for global peace institutions

43% US
arm export
worldwide
war

4) How multipolarity promotes peace

a) Power is divided among different countries

b) Small countries are ^{protected} under the umbrella

of bigger powers +

c) Helps to boost the economy of each other

d) Harmony among different ethnicities develops

e) Fear of legal actions bounds one
pole from unanimous actions

5) How war overpowers peace in multipolar world

a) Greed of ^{more} power put world's peace
at stake

b) Small countries are battleground for

bigger games

c) Economy suffers due to ^{looming} shadows of war

d) Divides the world on the basis of
religion and ethnicities

e) Selective legal actions empowers the
tyrants.

6) Conclusion

Allah stated in Quran, ~~that~~ If there were more gods beside Allah, the world would have been ruined (Al-Anbiya, Al-Quran). The interpretation of verse clearly illustrates that peace can not be sustained in the world where power is distributed among many shareholders without any having absolute authority. Multipolar world promotes peace or fuels war is the question in today's world. However, multipolarity fuels war more than promoting peace in the world. Bigger powers have destabilized the world for their hegemony. Multipolarity fuels war due to constant tug of power for regional hegemony. They show hostility towards small nation's resource with no regards for global institutions' restrictions or legalities. War economy is boosted as technology is diverted towards arms race with no attention to environmental collapse.

Multipolarity also contributes in promoting peace as power is divided and smaller countries are protected under the umbrella of big powers. Not only it helps in boosting the economy of one another but also creates harmony among different ethnicities. Fear of legal actions of other poles contributes in peace. However, this is shortlived and greed for power overtakes it, making smaller countries, a battlefield for their games. Economy of the world suffers as it is divided among different ethnicities and religions due to selective legal actions against the aggressors.

Multipolar world refers to ² world divided in different poles. Some argues it ^{as good} for peace while others consider it to ignite war. In early 1950s, Egypt took control of SUEZ Canal from Britishers and French authority. This

move was backed by both the western pole (United States) and eastern pole (USSR) at that time preventing and stopping the Great Britain and France joint operation for taking back the SUEZ canal. However, in coming years, ^{from} the same Egypt, Sudan was liberated for the interest of multipolar powers. Even in 1967, ~~when US enlarged the Egypt~~ US conspired with Israel for attack on Egypt, dividing the world into Muslim pole and western pole. Hence, multipolarity promotes sometimes but fuels war, mostly.

Multipolarity fuels war because the constant tug of power destabilize the world's peace. It is because they are always in constant trouble with others for regional hegemony. This need of becoming a regional hegemon put world's peace at stake. One example is ~~Russia~~ US ~~nuclear attacks on Iranian nuclear sites~~ ^{nuclear attacks on Iranian nuclear sites} which was followed by retaliatory attacks from Iran on U.S. bases in

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Iraq and Qatar (The Guardian, July 2025):

Hence, ~~Israel~~ to become a regional hegemon.
a constant tug of power continues to
~~Israel~~ destabilized world's peace.

To their this game of power, world
peace is disturbed as small countries
resources are looted by big powers.
They are hostile towards small nations
resources. ~~which are~~ Multipolarity enables
one pole attack of a small country
of other pole for its resources. U.S
invasion of and kidnapping of Venezuela's
President (Maduro) on Jan 3, 2025 on false
charges of narcotics is ~~for~~ to gain control
of Venezuela's largest oil resources. That is,
hostility towards smaller national resources
fuels war.

Being hostile to the small nation's
resources, they have no regard for
global institutions peace accords. It is
because they consider themselves superior
by and un-answerable themselves to int'l world's law.

of justice. The veto power of UN by ^{powerful} ~~strong~~ nations enables countries to ~~power~~ commit war-crimes while avoiding the laws of justice. United States of America has vetoed for sixth times the Gaza ceasefire since Oct, 2024 (^{www.bbc.com} ~~BBC~~ news, Sep 2025)

1. Multipolarity fuels war because it helps in boosting economy. It is because the tensions of war help countries boost their economy by via arms race. War helps countries to strengthen their economy by selling weapons to small countries. According to Stockholm International Research paper institute (Dec, 2024), revenues from sales of weapon and military services have reached a record \$679 bn in 2024 due to RUSSIA-UKRAINE & GAZA-ISRAEL war. Hence, war is fuelled by multipolar nations to boost their economy. (This arm race also diverted technology from the human's benefit to human's destruction.)

It is because more attention is paid towards ~~modernity~~ in arms innovation than health innovation. When it comes to health, you have to invest in health ~~with little~~. You have to spend on health but you can earn from investing in arms race. While Bill Gates announced spending \$200bn in next 20 years, Elon Musk was in top 100 arm dealers to get profit from RUSSIAN-UKRAINE war. Hence, arms race diverts technology from global health programmes and eliminating poverty.

Not only man health budget promotion is neglected but environmental health is also paid no attention. Environment is no longer concern for the resources to extract and wars to fight. The increasing race of development has made countries to forget their pledges for environmental preservation. Trump as in first term denounces Paris Accords of COP has continued to do so in 2025 too. It means environmental health is of little importance in multiple world.

↳ Multipolarity also helps in promoting peace as power is divided among different poles. This division of power helps in promoting peace because no one has absolute power over others. This enables countries to strictly remain in their domains. Also other regional powers tries to negotiate between powerful countries at war to maintain peace in the world. The recent Indo-Pak clash was resolved by U.S.A to ~~prevent~~ promote peace in South Asia. Hence, the division of power promotes peace.

↳ Not only power division promotes peace but small countries are also protected under the umbrella of multipoles. It is because the protection of that country is guaranteed by powerful countries of that pole. An example is NATO, where an attack on any state of NATO will be protected by all other states. It means smaller countries remains safe under the protection of bigger powerful states.

Not only small countries are protected but their economies are also boosted. It is because major powers help financing and modernizing the recipient states. They support that states with transfer of technology not only revitalizing their economy but also their defence. It was China's J-10 that help Pakistan Airforce to counter the attack of India on May 9, 2025.

Hence, multipolarity helps in boosting the economy via transfer of technology.

~~Not small countries are~~

Legal actions from other poles restrict one from taking action against others. This helps to protect the sovereignty of a small & weak nation in front of a big power. Not only sanctions but moral and financial support of others enables a country to fight a big power. Ukraine resilience against

Russia is backed by the sanctions imposed by UN and America and also the financial help European countries have provided. A report of ~~(Anteza)~~ on Ukraine Support Tracker (Data by Anteza.A and CO) in Kiel institute (Dec 2025) suggested that more than \$200 bn has spent by Europe while \$187 bn by USA in this war. Hence legal & moral support of others prevails peace.

This moral support leads to harmony among different ethnicities. That is, support from other countries with no culture or ethnic relations make the world more peaceful.

Countries may have religious and social differences but their dependence on one another ~~make~~^{glued} them together into one. Pakistan and China have religious, social and cultural differences but they have an ideal friendship.

from beginnings. Hence multipolarity helps in connecting different ethnicities of the world.

It is true that power is divided among many in multipolar world but their greed for ^{more} power put the world's peace at stake. This is due to the reason that they are constantly threatened by each other's power and wants to overpower others.

For this reason, they invest in arms race.

Recent orders by U.S President Donald Trump, changing the name of department of defence to department of war and instructions

for restarting the testing of Nuclear weapons which he proclaimed on equal basis might encourages other states to follow (The Economist, Nov 2025).

Hence the greed of power inspite of power division destabilize the world's peace.

This greed of power endangers the small nations of other's poles, making

it a battleground for the big powers.
It is because they small states
become scapegoats for the interest
of powerful state. In order to destabilize
a powerful states, it is lured to a
small ~~weak~~ state where it is entrapped.
Ukraine became a scapegoat for European
interests to divert Russia attention and
slow down its development. Hence, for the
interests of bigger states, ~~weak~~ small states
are scapegoated.

While it is argued that economy
of a ~~small~~ country under powerful country
develops due to shared progress. The looming
shadows of war ~~make~~ ^{affects} economy ~~super~~ badly.
~~But~~ It is because ~~may be argued~~ that war may
be beneficial for arm dealers but
it is detrimental for common people.
Not only people of that country suffers
but whole world is affected by it.
Ukraine-Russia war not only affects

these countries economy but also created wheat crisis and the energy crisis. Russia and Ukraine combinedly exports almost ²⁷ ~~for~~ wheat to ~~Asia~~ ^{World} which is disrupted due to war. Moreover, the ban on Russian fuel post war has escalated an energy crisis in Europe (ISSI report, 2 Jan 2025). Hence, economy suffers due to war.

Multipolarity is always promoted by regional or religious grounds. One may say it develops global harmony but mostly, ~~times~~ it has divided the world.

Multipolarity is weaponized against a particular race or religion. Post-~~the~~ 9/11 attack, whole of the western world weaponized terrorism against Muslim block under the leadership of the United States. They attacked Muslim countries without any proof or evidence, dividing the world into two poles, symbolizing Muslims as terrorist. This proves that multipolarity divides more than it develops harmony.

All this selective onslaught against one pole is favoured by selective legal actions. These selective justice is what empowers these tyrants to ~~can~~ provoke war and commit genocide.

If one nation continues their genocidal actions against a particular race and world pays no attention, that will ~~emph~~ encourage others to do so.

The continuous onslaught by Israel in Gaza and genocide of Palestinians without any repercussions has empowered him to target ~~(Damascus (Syria))~~ and ~~Qatar~~ ~~give~~ can give other independent countries i.e. Iran, Lebanon, Qatar, Syria and Yemen (Aljazeera.com, Dec 2025). Hence the selective legal actions empowers tyrants.

Conclusively, one may say that multipolarity ~~promotes~~ fuels war more as compared to peace. This discussion clearly

illustrates that although multipolarity helps enables power division, protect small countries and boost its economy, and creates harmony among different nation with protection granted by legal repercussions but still it is unable to ~~prevent~~ stop wars from happening.

One's greed for unlimited power with no regard for weaker states' rights ^{that} suffers the world economy which divides the world into divisions. All this is empowered by ~~weakened~~ ^{failure} of world's institutions to charge the tyrants under law. As Prophet Muhammad (SAW) said,

The people before you were destroyed because they used to punish the poor and forgive the rich. (By *Allah)