

1) Introduction:

Hybrid warfare is the use of combination of conventional military tactics, information and non-conventional techniques to gain political, social and economic goals.

2) Examples of hybrid warfare tactics:

1) Proxy War:

Proxy war is a war between two major or host countries by using the ground of third country. There are many proxies of different countries in the Pakistan.

Example 1:

Saudi Arab and Iran have their proxies in Pakistan to counter the influence of each other in the region.

Example 2:

In Afghan war, soil of Afghanistan was used as a

proxy territory for US and Russia. These both countries involve in war for their benefits.

After the invasion of USSR, the US support mujahideen to overcome the influence of communists.

Example 3:

Iran has proxy named Houthis in Yemen against KSA to overcome the influence of KSA in the middle east.

2 Cyber attacks:

Cyber attacks is actually the non-conventional warfare in which host country steal the information of another country. Attacking country may steal the intelligence information of another country.

Example:

The India has signed various agreements with the USA to

entrance its cyber security weapons. These weapons can be use against Pakistan to spread propaganda against Pakistani parties.

3 Media Manipulation:

Media manipulation is the change in media activities. Enemy country can use media to spread wrong news and sentiments among the people.

Example:

Indian media manipulate the Hindu community in India against the Muslim community to achieve their targets.

4 Imposition of diplomatic pressure:

~~The~~ In the world, different countries have different ally and alliances with other country to help their ally and to get self interest, different countries puts diplomatic

pressure on another country.

Example:

The USA mostly pressurize Pakistan to get its self interest. In case of Pakistan and India issue, the USA always pressurize Pakistan and openly support India.

5 Hybrid Warfare through Information:

Information Security is important for the national security. Stealing of intelligence related information can leads to the political instability in the country.

Example:

The leakage of the USA top secret document can be harmful for the USA in dealing with international affairs.

Example 2:

The recent "cipher cable" release of Pakistan can be harmful for the security of Pakistan.

6 Diplomatic Isolation

Diplomatic Isolation can be used as a tool to interpret and manipulate the foreign policy of another country. In most of the cases the US puts sanctions on another country to achieve its goal and isolate that country.

Example 1:

The US put sanctions on Iran to isolate it and Iran phase the reduction of \$100 million in its reserves.

Example 2:

The US and EU impose sanctions on Russia to support Ukraine in Russia-Ukraine war.

7 Insurgency into Pakistan

There are different insurgent groups into the Pakistan. India, Iran and Afghanistan soil has been using for this purpose. These insurgency cause instability in Pakistan.

Example 1:

An Indian RAW agent Khalid Hussain Yadav ~~has~~ infiltrate into Balochistan through Iran.

Example 2:

TTP use Afghanistan to save their ~~life~~ lives. Since Aug 2021, TTP attack 226 times in Pakistan. Peshawar police line attack, LTD Bannu attack, APS Peshawar etc are the activities of TTP.

8 Economic Pressure on Pakistan:

Due to hybrid warfare, Pakistan's economy is going to ~~weaker~~ decay day by day. It further

Increases the insecurities in Pakistan. According to IMF, the GDP growth is 0.3% in FY23. This factor further influence the water, food, health, education insecurities badly.

Conclusion:

The hybrid warfare negatively influence the Pakistan communities. Furthermore, it instabilize the political, social and economic condition of Pakistan.

Hybrid warfare is the result of nuclear warfare because it enhances the insecurities among different countries related to their security and survival.

Media, proxies, diplomatic relations, cyber attacks, insurgencies can be use to escalate the hybrid warfare.