

# Mock Exam for Ciss - 2025

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## Current Affairs

Q5: US-China rivalry is shaping into increasing currency war where US wants the continuation of dollarization of international trade while China wants to de-dollarize it.

Analyze?

Ans: The US-China currency war is shaping into complex and multifaceted issue, with far-reaching implications for global trade, finance, and geopolitics. Here's a detailed analysis:

US Objectives:-

1. Maintain dollar dominance: The US wants to preserve the dollar's status as the global reserve currency, ensuring its continued influence.
2. Protect economic interests: The US aims to safeguard its economic interests, including trade balances, investment, and financial stability.

China's objectives:-

1. De-dollarization: China seeks to reduce its dependence on the dollar and promote the use of its currency, the renminbi (RMB), in international transactions.
2. Belt and Road Initiative (BRI):

Increase global influence: By Promoting the RMB, China aims to increase its global economic influence and challenge the dollar's dominance.

### China's Strategies :-

- 1- RMB internationalization: China is promoting the use of RMB in international trade, investment, and financial transactions.
- 2- Belt and Road Initiative (BRI): China's BRI aims to create a vast network of trade routes, Participating Countries.
- 3- Alternative payment System: China is developing alternative payment system, such as the Cross-Border interbank Payment System (CIPS), to reduce reliance on dollar-based systems.
4. Gold reserves: China is increasing its gold reserves, potentially to back the RMB and reduce dependence on the dollar.

### US Responses :-

Rephrase heading to the asked part

- 1- Tariffs and trade restrictions: The US has imposed tariffs and trade restrictions on China to limit its economic growth and influence.
- 2- Sanctions The US has imposed sanctions on Chinese individuals and entities to restrict their access to dollar-based financial systems.
- 3- Dollar Strength: The US aims to maintain a strong dollar, making it more

attractive for international use and investment.

Implications :-

- 1- Global trade and finance: The currency war could lead to increased trade tensions, reduced investment, and financial instability.
- 2- Emerging markets: The rivalry could impact emerging markets, potentially leading to currency fluctuations and economic instability.
- 3- Geopolitical tensions: The currency war could exacerbate geopolitical tensions, particularly in regions like Asia, where both US and Chinese influence is significant.

### Question no: 6

Q: Israel as a democratic state, two state or apartheid state or ethnic cleaning are the four major options with Israel to deal with Palestine? Analyze the statement?

Ans: The Israel-Palestinian conflict is complex, with four possible approaches:

1- Democratic state.

A single, democratic state for both Israeli and Palestinians, with equal rights and citizenship for all.

Pros :-

- Ensures equal rights and representation for Palestinians.
- Potentially resolves the conflict through integration.

## Cons :-

- May lead to a binational State, Challenging Israel's Jewish identity.
  - Requires Significant Political and Social Changes
1. Two-State Solution :-

Separate States for Israel and Palestine, with negotiated borders and Sovereignty.

## Pros :-

- maintain Israel's Jewish identity and democratic character
- Provides Palestinians with Self-determination and Statehood.

## Cons :-

- Complex negotiations and border disputes
  - Settlements and Jerusalem Status remain contentious issues.
1. Apartheid State :-

A State with separate, unequal rights for Israelis and Palestinians, reminiscent of apartheid-era South Africa.

## Pros :-

None

## Cons :-

- Grave violation of human rights and international law.
- Destroys any possibility of peaceful coexistence.

- Analysis :-

- The democratic state option faces significant political and social hurdles but offers a potential path to equal rights and integration.
- The two-state solution, despite challenges, remains the most widely accepted approach, aiming to balance Israeli and Palestinian interests.

Q7: Iran-Israel tension has tremendously increased after the killing of Israel Haniya. Critically evaluate the evolving situation in the Middle East. How the tension could be reduced?

- The Iran-Israel tension has escalated since the killing of Ismail Haniyeh, with both countries engaging in proxy wars and cyberattacks. The situation is critical with potential regional consequences. To reduce tension:
  - Diplomatic effort: Encourage dialogue and negotiations
  - Conflict resolution mechanisms: Establish frameworks for resolving disputes.
  - Economic incentives: Offer benefits for cooperation and de-escalation.

Q8: Islamabad-Kabul tension is persistently lingering on due to the safe heavens to TTP in Afghanistan. Critically evaluate

Ans: the Situation. Give possible recommendations Islamabad-Kabul tension persists due to the presence of Tehrik-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) in Afghanistan.

Recommendations:

- Diplomatic engagement: Pakistan and Afghanistan should engage in dialogue to address concerns
- Counter-terrorism Cooperation Collaborate on counter-terrorism efforts.
- Economic Cooperation: Enhance trade and economic ties to promote mutual interests.

General instructions for attaining good marks in current affairs

Important Note:

Marks would be given on the following parameters

a- Content 60% References 15% Subject specific language 15%. Graphs and charts 10%

Add 12-13 headings in each question

the questions carry 3\_4 parts... each part has equal weightage so discuss all equally

Give examples from present events to justify answers

Give attractive introduction and Conclusion as well

always give headings from the question statement.. take words from the statement

link each of the argument to the asked part in the question... if you fail to do so, no matter how accurate content is, if your heading is not align with what is asked in the question, it won't be accurate



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