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Current Affairs

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Gaza-Israel War

Introduction;

The children and women of Gaza are long awaiting the promised justice and equality of world institutions - however Justice in their case remains a distant dream.

-Noor Harazeen

These words of Gaza journalist Noor Harazeen shed light on the ongoing Israeli atrocities against Gaza and double-faced policies of international liberal power. Since

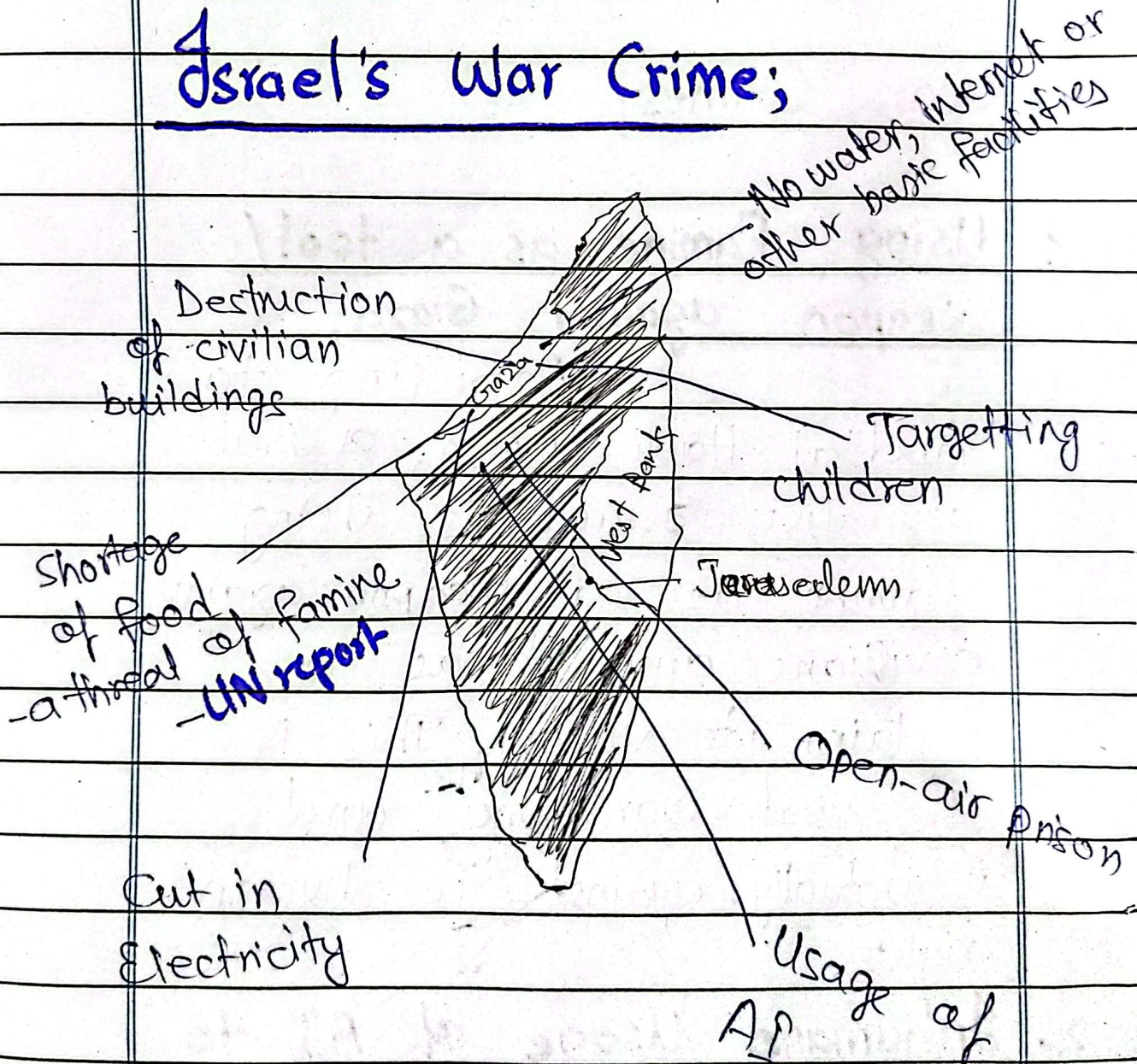
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Hamas attacks on October 7 and start of war, the events has been turning totally in opposition to humanitarian laws. Israel is targeting civilians, made gaza an open-air prison, using AI machines against civilians and targeting hospitals. Thus, it is writing a new history of inhumane treatment of civilians and committing war crimes. On the other hand, a small ray of hope has been seen after ICT decision of declaring Israeli occupation as illegal in July. However, the response of major powers including US has again silenced all the notions of justice through their irresponsible stance.

Gaza - Israel War

A Bird's Eyeview on

Israel's War Crime;



→ How Israel Launch is

a Classical Example of

War Crimes?

1. Using Famine as a tool/
Weapon against Gaza;

According to Abd'al Hadi Shykh, a Arab journalist, Israel is using famine as a weapon against civilians and Hamas to proclaim its victory. This is a great war-crime and is actually against the human rights.

2. Inhumane Usage of AI to
Target people;

A new dystopian future is waiting for the world

as first time, the usage of AI tools in war is becoming new normal. Softwares like, 'Where's Daddy', 'Lavendar' and many other tools are being employed to kill civilians.

3. Surveillance and Using Drone to Kill people in their Houses;

According to report of 'Global Conflict Tracker', Israel is using harsh surveillance system and using air-drones to kill people sleeping in their homes. This non-humane treatment is another crime committed by Israel.

4. No Relief-Aid and also Destroying Hospitals;

Israel has

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avert many relief and aid programs by UN by blocking their entrance. This created massive problem for civilians. In addition to it, targetting hospitals and civilian buildings deprive people from taking treatments.

→ Decision of ICJ and US response;

1- A Welcome Decision by ICJ provided Moral Support and Sigh of Relief;

The July decision of ICJ has been celebrated widely by human rights proponents. It declared the Israeli occupation in West East-Jerusalem, West Bank and Gaza as an illegal act.

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2- US response - Decision put US in hot-water;

The decision of ICJ, has put the so-called champion of liberalism into hot-water. This is a catch-22 situation for US as it always favoured Israel and uses its influence internationally to legitimize its occupation.

3- US opposed decision and provide legal papers in support of Israel - used Veto Power;

US on the other side, openly opposed the decision and also collected legal papers to present in ICJ. Apart from it, US used veto-power in UNSC to

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protect Israel and to
avoid any legal action
against Israeli atrocities.

→ How it would impact US relation with Arab- World;

1. Popular Opinion in Middle-East about US - double faced policies;

According to a
report, published in Al-Jazeera,
there is a popular opinion
and awareness among Arab
countries about the US-
double faced policies and
toothless international law.

2. Anti-US sentiment in Arab-World;

A lot of people

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in Arab countries, and general public had showed this discontent with US. A number of protests ^{took place} and anti-US slogans also raised after US response.

3. Governments of Arab-World countries would still avoid criticizing US openly;

According to Dillip Hiro who wrote in his famous opus "Cold War in Islamic World" that most of the governments in Middle East want western support to continue ruling in their respective countries. Due to this the reaction of governments of Arab-countries may not be that much proactive as generally expected.

→ Conclusion;

In a nutshell, according to Dilip Hiro, wrote in his book 'Cold War in Islamic World', that Israel has got a major support of western powers, within while the Arab-countries lack sophisticated technology to compete with Israel. Thus, Israel, without any concern would openly continue its atrocities without any fear of being caught.

Question #3:

Two-State Solution

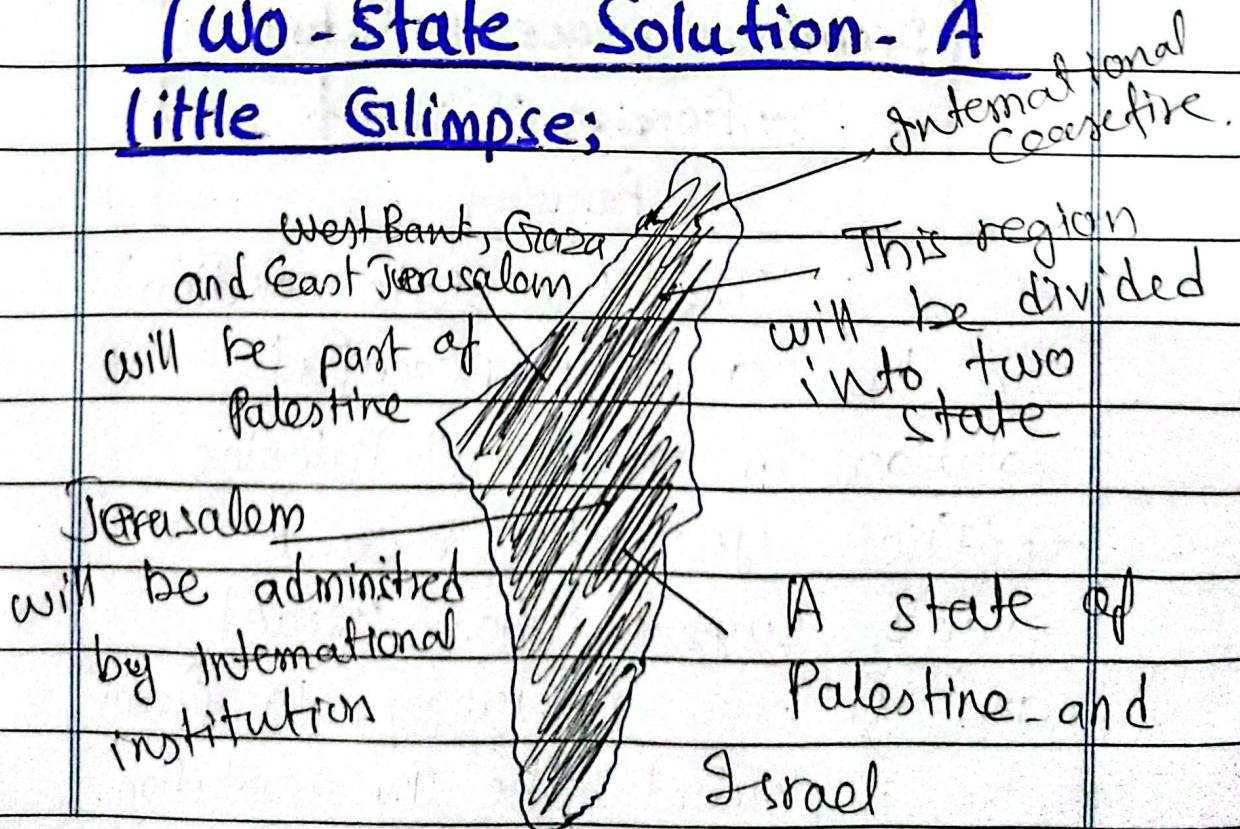
Introduction;

Two-State Solution seems to be a reasonable solution in ~~Gaza~~^{Palestine}-Israel conflict ~~that~~ which can promise peace in future
- Foreign Office of Pakistan

The 'Two-State solution' can be a only peaceful solution in ~~Ga~~ Israel-Palestine conflict, yet, the recent events suggests that Israel and US are no longer in favour to implement the UN resolution.

In the recent turning of events, Norway, Ireland and Spain recognized Palestine as a sovereign state. This may be a major achievement for the cause of Palestine. However, the reluctance of major power and important decision-makers still put a doubt on materializing the dream of UNGA.

Two-State Solution - A Little Glimpse;



Chances of Two-State

Solution ;

1- US and Israel no more seems in favour of Two-State

The recent act and statements from US and Israel showed that they are no-longer in favour of two-state. However, they want a major Israel power in ~~the~~ Middle-East which US can use as a proxy to make itself relevant in Middle-East.

2- Israeli Demand of Security - a major block in the way of Two-State;

According to IPRI report, Israel demand

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of future security and to end Hamas or other threat is actually against the existence of Palestine. It is no more to end the cause of Palestine

3- Current Israeli Success Provides Confidence and Legitimacy to Israel;

According to John A. Stein, an international scholar from Wilson Chair of California University, the current waves of success in the favour of Israel with no serious resistance internationally provide confidence to Israel to acquire more land.

4- A Proper Palestine may Threaten Israeli Occupations in Future;

As the Israeli occupation are totally illegal

according to the Palestinians, many people in Israel consider that a proper state of Palestine may pose a threat to the peace and security of Israel. Due to this, they are now against creation of Palestine.

5 Unexpected Superiority of Israeli Forces provides it Upper-hand to End conflict in its favour;

An international journal of 'Global Conflict Tracker' wrote that Israel got an upper hand in the current crisis as very less casualties on Israel-side, it wants to end conflict now totally in its favour.

6- Major Powers seems less favourable towards it;

The statements

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of government officials of US, UK, France, Germany and many other major powers showed their support for current Israeli atrocities. This is a blow to two-state solution.

7- Three European Powers accepted Palestine have not Powerful stance vis-a-vis Israeli supporters;

According to Al-Jazeera, ~~the~~ only Norway, Ireland and Spain has accepted the Palestine as sovereign state. Their acceptance might not provide strong support vis-a-vis Israeli supporters.

8- Netanyahu wants further expedition;

The ~~def~~ statement of defense security secretary of Israel, in which he says

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that we will go to any far and we have no red boundary, shows that Netanyahu wants further expedition and would not accept 'Two-state solution' in current events.

Conclusion;

In a nutshell, Thomas Hobbes, an international scholar, said that, International Institutions were tools of powerful states to achieve their goals. It is true because the solution of UNGA resolution about creation of 'Two-state' would only implement if it favours the interest of major powers. Otherwise, its chances of implementation are very low.