

Question #1:-

Critically evaluate how Israel launched terror on Gaza has become a classical example of war crimes. How do you see the decision of ICJ and response of US government to it? How it would impact its relation with Arab world?

Introduction:

The decades old issue between Palestine and Gaza has now turned into a classical war starting from **Oct 7, 2023** by Hamas group and gradually increased with Hamas, Hezbollah, Houthis and Iran supporting Gaza while U.S, mainly supporting Israel. The actual backing of Israel is U.S. Despite the decision of ICJ to hold ceasefire in the on-going genocide of Palestinians people, US gave cold shoulder to the decision and continued protecting its ally. Meanwhile, it greatly impacted the Arab world where Lebanon, Yemen, Syria and Iran are supporting Hamas while Saudi Arabia, UAE and

did not take any practical measures to stop this war. So, overall a sort of division is seen in the arab countries.

Historical Background of Gaza-Israel War:

The Palestinians and Jews always had very cold relations. The reason is that both of them consider the territory as their own and blame each other for entering it. The main reason is the sacred places of these religion people i.e. Jerusalem of Muslims, Jews and Christians.

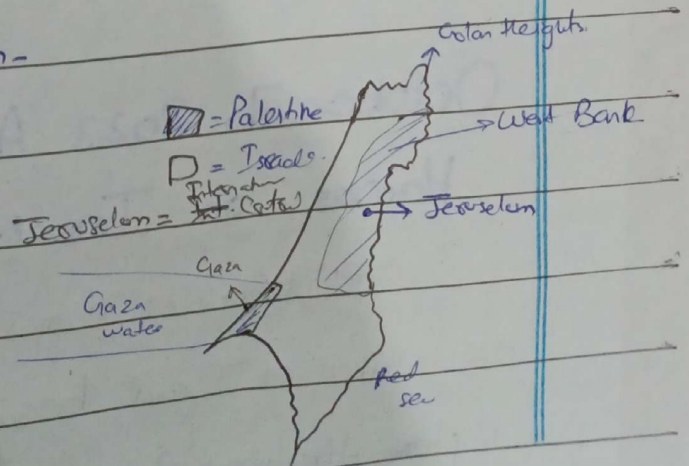
1800s to 1947 - The Position of Jews or Zionists in the World and Especially in Current Israel:

Since 1800's Jews were living under different regions but they had to face alot and they were never liked by anyone. So, they decided to make their own country. The idea was also

presented by Austro-Hungarian Journalist - Theodor Herzl. So, during the WWI the Ottoman Empire broke down into small states with the cleaver tactics of British, France and somehow Arabs countries. British made their own government in Palestine. At the same time, Hitler attained political power in Germany and started killing Jews. They all flee towards Palestine and when they were stopped by Britishers, they created their Israeli Nationalist Movement. The conflicts between Palestinians and Jews grew and British left the state to ^{hands of} UN.

Israel Formation from 1948 to Wars till 2023:

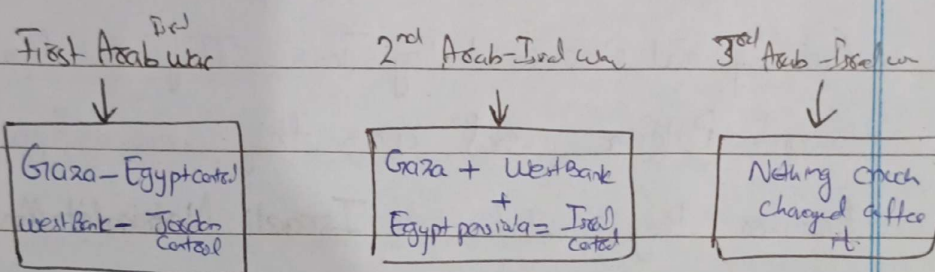
Israel was formed in 1948 after the plan of UN partition.



During the period from 1948 till 2023, different wars were fought between Arab countries and

Israel:

- (1) Arab Israel war (1948) = Israel won = ^{Gaza - Egypt} West Bank - Jordan
- (2) Second Arab Israel war (1953) = Israel won
- (3) Third Arab Israel war (1977) = Israel won



=> Formation of Hamas:

Hamas was formed in the 1990's due to good relations of PLO (Palestine Liberation organization) and Israel and it never liked to have them.

So, Hamas captured Gaza after 2007 elections and since then Gaza was under their control.

October 7, 2023 Attack Launched By Hamas on Israel:

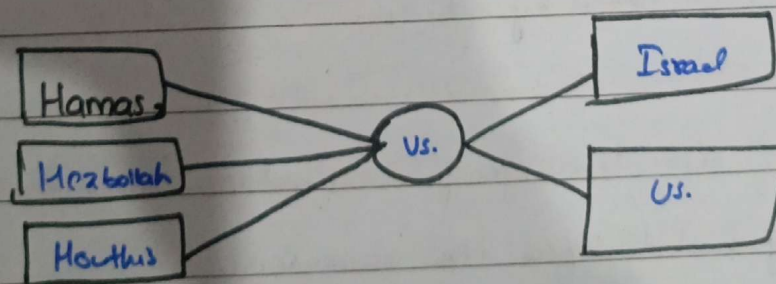
On Oct 7, 2023 Hamas launched land strikes and air strikes on Israel because they were about to capture the West Bank. Gradually, Hezbollah on

Oct 8 joined it - Similarly, on Nov 19, 2023 Houthis joined the operation - These air strikes changed into a war when Israel retaliated on Oct 7, 2023 and is still continues -

Understanding the Israel launched Terror as a Classical Example of War.

In a war, there is always some destruction on both sides or opponents sides and it always contains some economic, territorial or diplomatic benefit -

The terror launched by Israel has now turned into war because of Involvement of following



I. Oct 7, 2023 - Hamas ^{Initiation} Involvement of war:

On 7th Oct, Hamas launched air strikes and land attacks on Israel and captured 295 people into Jail.

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II. Oct 8, 2023 - Israel Retaliation on Hamas:

On the afternoon of Oct 7, Israel retaliated an air strike on Gaza and openly ~~declared~~ ^{announced} to "eradicate Hamas" and attacked ALAhl hospital on Oct 28, 2023.

III. Nov 19th ~~Oct 8th~~, 2023 - Houthis Strikes in Red Sea:

On 19th Nov, 2023 ~~Houthis~~ ^{Houthis} joined the war by launching an air strike on Red Sea on Golden Maritime ship which was a cargo of Israeli businessmen.

IV. Oct 8th ~~Jan 12~~, 2023 - Hezbollah airstrike on Israel:

On ~~18th~~ ^{8th} ~~Oct~~ ^{Oct}, 2023 Hezbollah joined the war by launching rocket on area between Syria and Yemen controlled by Israel.

Hence, the three groups involved in war. Hence, they had to face the consequences.

Consequences Faced by Gaza Fighters:-

I. Jan 12, 2024 - Air Strike on Yemen:-

On Jan 12, 2024 US did an air strike on Yemen and placed their ships in Red Sea to protect

its allies-

II. May 6th, 2024 - Invasion of Rafah:-

Rafah was considered a Red Line by International Community but Israel launched attack on it on May 6, and killed a huge number of people.

III. July 31st, 2024 - Assassination of Ismail Haniyeh-

Israel ~~is~~ assassinated the Secretary of Hamas in Capital of Iran i.e. Tehran i.e. Ismail Haniyeh on July 31st, 2024.

IV. Sep 27th, 2024 - Assassination of Hassan Nasrullah-

Israel assassinated the leader of Hezbollah i.e. Hassan Nasrullah on Sep 27th, 2024 along with his body guards and 6 people by launching 80 bombs.

I. Sep 17th, 2024 - Death Day for Lebanon:-

Israel launched direct attack on Lebanon on Sep 17, 2024 by using following technologies:

- (1) Gaspel AI technology
- (2) Drone

This is how a launched stroke turned into a war and killed 4000+ Palestinians.

Understanding the Decision of ICJ and the Response of US Government to it on Gaza-Israel war:

I. Decision of ICJ on Gaza-Israel War:

South-Africa brought the case of Genocide by Israel on Gaza in the International Court of Justice (ICJ).

ICJ responded with the following decisions:-

(1) Immediate Ceasefire of Gaza



(2) Declared PM Benjamin Netanyahu and Israeli defence Minister as terrorists.

II. Response of US Government to ICJ Decision:

Despite the decision of ICJ to implement an immediate ceasefire in Gaza, the US government continued supporting its ally Israel in war by providing military aid and weapons. Moreover, it placed its ships in the Red Sea and

near Gaza Strip to stop anyone from attacking especially
Hostiles of Yemen- on the other side, USA
is providing Humanitarian aid. They are playing
double-standards and ignoring the decision of ICI.

Impacts of Gaza-Israel war on Arab World:

Keeping in view the above discussion and role
of Muslim countries, we can say that this war
has created a sort of division among Arab countries.

Yemen, Lebanon, Syria, Iran Supporting Hamas.

No efforts.
only OIC meeting.

Saudi Arabia and U.A.E

Saudi Arabia is not practically doing any effort
because they have a lot of investment from Israel
and USA in their country. Moreover, due to
their financial and diplomatic purpose they are
only talking about ceasefire and not supporting
Gaza.

Critical Analysis:

Israel and Gaza war is an horrible and tragic war in the region. It started from launching strikes and kept on increasing by including different arab countries in it. Currently, the war has expanded from Gaza to Lebanon and to Syria. But no practical solution or ceasefire has been implemented.

I Arab countries should openly ask for ceasefire and stop any kind of trade with Israel. They should also ask International Organizations to apply impose Sanctions on Israel.

Conclusion:

Gaza-Israel war is a pure example of a classical war in which atrocious and barbaric events are happening. It has ^{been} expanded into Middle Eastern regions and it has no chances of any ceasefire. However, it realized the world about the double standards of USA.

Moreover, the Arab countries also adopted the stance which would benefit its diplomatic, security and economic relations.

Question #2:-

Critically evaluate the chances of continuation and expansion of Hamas Israel war across the region.

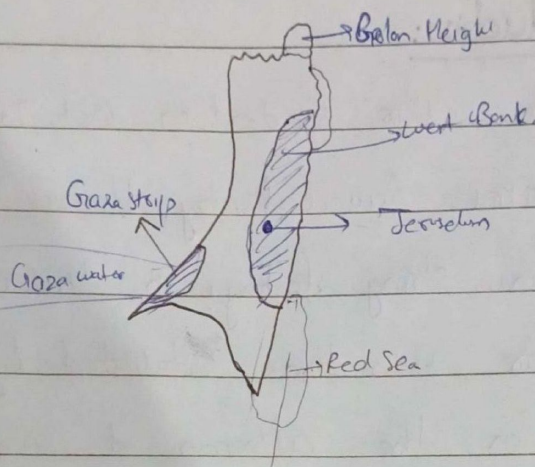
Introduction:

The war started on Oct 7, 2023 by the strikes launched by Hamas on Israel has taken strong foothold in the region. The war was then retaliated by the Israel on the afternoon of same day and then it kept on increasing by first involving Hezbollah on Oct 8th, 2023 and then they involved Houthis on Nov 19, 2023. The war started from the territory of Gaza strip and then expanded to the Lebanon and now to other territories of Arab state.

A Brief Overview on the Evolution of War:

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On Oct 7, 2023, Hamas launched attack on the territory of Israel. Hamas broke the barriers on Gaza strip through land route and then it launched attack from both the land route and air way.



▨ Region occupied by Gaza

□ = Region occupied by Israel.

Reason of Attack:

Hamas launched the air strike to combat the ideas or plans of Israel of expanding its territory into the Palestinian occupied territory. Israel aimed to capture West Bank.

Attacks Launched by Hamas:

Hamas launched rocket attacks and killed

1139 people also capture 237 people of Israel including women and children.

Oct 7th, 2023 - Response of Israel:

On the afternoon of Oct 7, 2023, Israel responded to Hamas by retaliating and announced that its goal is to "eradicate Hamas" and it would fight till then.

The Attack of Hezbollah on Israel as an Inclusion in War:

On Oct 8, 2023 Hezbollah, basically Iran based group also took part in the war. Before the inclusion of Hezbollah, Iran was blamed ^{behind} ~~for~~ the attacks. Now, Hezbollah launched attack on the region named Sheeba Farms, a region between Syria and Golan, occupied by Israel. For every rocket of Lebanon, Israel fired or responded with the five. Though there was not any balance of power but Hezbollah managed to do so.

The Attack of Israel on Al-Ahli Hospital of Gaza:

On October 17, 2023, Israel first time retaliated with such a huge blast on the Al-Ahli hospital of Gaza and killed more than 550 people. It destroyed the health care system of Gaza.

The Attack on Red Sea by Houthis of Yemen:

On ~~October~~ November 19, 2023 Houthis of Yemen attacked on Red Sea. They attacked the Galaxy Leader, a cargo ship. The cargo ship was owned by an Israeli Businessman. However, Houthis managed to attack on Israelis and also recruited and trained a large number of people in a group for fighting with Israel.

Launch of Air Attack on the Houthis of Yemen by U.S:

On Jan 12, 2024 US launched an air attack on Yemen Houthis = ~~Attacked~~ for their

attack on Red Sea - Moreover, they placed their ships in Red Sea and near Gaza Strip to provide every form of protection to its allies.

Invasion on the Safe Place of Gaza People i.e. On Rafah:

Rafah was declared as the **Red Zone** by International Community - and This was the reason why a huge huge number of palestinians shifted to Rafah - But unfortunately, on **May 19, 2024** Israel launched attack on Rafah and killed 100+ people - In response, UN declared after immediate ceasefire but nothing happened -

The Attack on Ismail Haniyeh in Tehran by Israel:

On **July 31, 2024**; the Secretary general of Hamas i.e. Ismail Haniyeh was assassinated in the territory of Iran basically in Tehran - This further escalated already tense situation of the war -

The Assassination of Hassan Nasrullah By Israel:

On 27th Sep, 2024, the Secretary General of Hezbollah i.e. Hassan Nasrullah was assassinated by the Israel attack - Moreover, it targeted ~~included~~ 6 other people. Before that, on 17th Sep, 2024 Israel launched direct attack on the territory of Lebanon.

Critical Analysis:

The Israel Hamas war started between two groups and it continued to trap Iran, Lebanon, Yemen and Syria into its circle. These ~~were~~ are a number of chances that war would expand further and it would impact the entire middle East and related regions. Careful steps are required to bring end to this barbaric war.

Conclusion:

The war between Gaza and Israel started from a small region and has now

expanded into the regions of middle East-

By analyzing the timelines of events described above, it can be of no-doubt to conclude that it would expand. The way it took Hezbollah, and Houthis in its trap, it would further expand. Focusing or Implementing ~~two state~~ two state solution would be of no use. However, a string number of steps would be required to bring end to the war.