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## I. INTRODUCTION:-

The world order has largely been unipolar with US dominating the world. Strong states can somewhat save themselves from deleterious implications resulting from it. However, developing states immediately become victims. US has used Dollar and swift as weapon against such countries, Cerebal south, to be specific. <sup>However,</sup> This domination is facing threat from other states that are reaching the level of world power. BRICS+ is prime example of platform, formed and used by strong states, to counter the exploitation done by US.

BRICS+ serves as platform for economically struggling countries. It's greatest strategy to achieve it's goal must be the development of national development bank, counter to IMF and world bank. The power of US sanctions will be ameliorated when it would ~~allow~~ allow trade in ~~these~~ countries' respective currencies. By these measures and ~~more~~ more, they are aiming to counter the dominance of U.S.



## II DOLLAR AND SWIFT USED AS WEAPON BY THE U.S.:

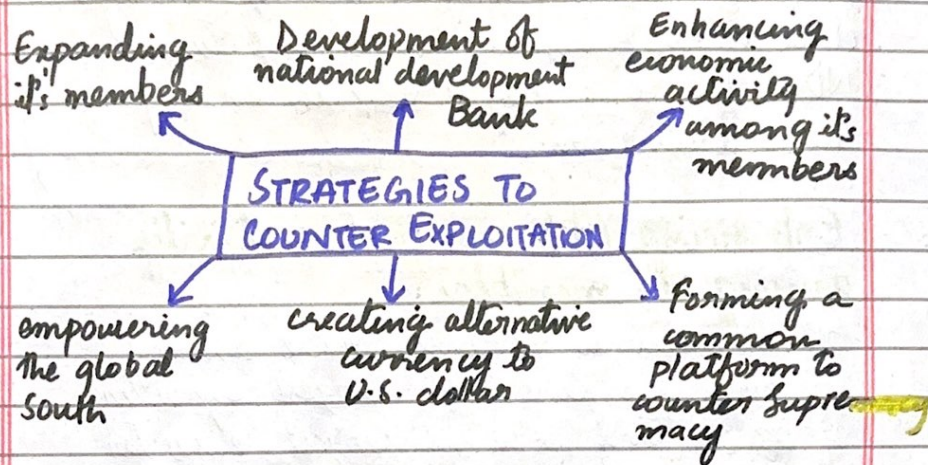
The U.S. has been using dollar and swift as weapon against global south. The state either provide loans through it's institutions world bank and international monetary fund, or it put sanctions on country with an aim to economically deprive it. Knowing country would starve if not allowed to trade in dollars. John Perkins in his book 'confessions of economic hitman', exposes IMF and world bank. He mentions how both institutions aim to starve countries, increasing their dependence on them.

## III FORMATION OF BRICS+:

BRICS+ was formally created in 2009, although, Tim O'Neil gave the idea for organisation in 2001 through his article. The organisation ~~was~~ is created with an aim of countering U.S. Supremacy. It included four most powerful economies in the world when first created. Now, many states have been added to it. It is seen as a counter to U.S. dollarisation and it's hegemony.



### III BRICS+ : STRATEGIES TO COUNTER WESTREN EXPLOITATION:



#### III.a. Expanding its members:

BRICS+, since its inception, has been expanding its member. Initially there were 4 major economic powers.

Gradually, more countries were added. Ethiopia has recently been added. Argentina was also accepted as member but the country refused to join. Egypt, Iran, UAE and Saudi Arabia has also accepted imitation. The organisation strengthen itself by way of expanding its members.

#### III.b. Development of NDB:

The organisation is working towards development of NDB, which would loan funds to countries to enhance their



economic growth. As a result, countering the institutions like IMF and world bank. Global south has been exploited by these institutions. In past, U.S. hegemony is seen to retain by these institution. NDB will be a major step in ending this domination.

### III.c. Enhancing ~~(it's)~~ economic activity among it's members:

BRICS+ aim to enhance trade among it's members. Russia is largest exporter of ~~oil~~ <sup>gas</sup> and Iran is largest exporter of oil. Both countries were not able to realise this potential due to U.S.'s sanctions. BRICS+ ~~it's~~ serve as common platform, where countries can close deals and realise their potential without any obstruction.

### III.d. Empowering global south:

BRICS+ provide a platform to developing countries. It has expanded it's membership to countries with struggling economies, providing them a chance to empower their economies. Country like Iran, can have platform to present it's grievances and members willing to continue trade with it.



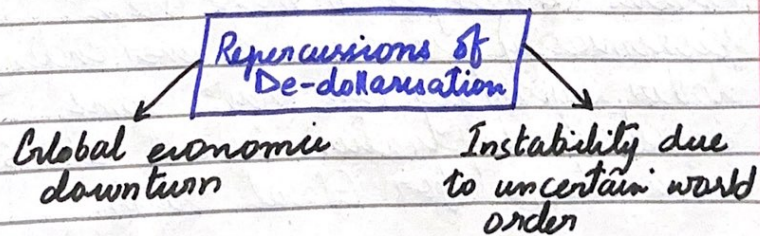
### III.e. forming "currency alternative":

Although, yet this idea has not been materialised, BRICS+ is looking forward to form alternative currency, to counter dollar supremacy. Analysts believe that the organisation could also start trading in currencies of respective countries. This step would be a final blow to dollar supremacy, ending it completely.

### III.f. Common platform of global South:

BRICS+ provide a common platform of global south. The countries now have a similar organisation like those of western countries. Western powers have G-7, which is created to enhance economic cooperation between western countries. Developing states now have an ~~alternative~~ similar organisation in form of BRICS+.

## IV Repercussion of De-dollarisation





#### IV.a. Global Economic downturn:

Much of world trade but virtually all of it occurs in dollars. De-dollarisation could result in economic downturn, worsening the situation for whole of world.

#### IV.b. Instability due to changing world order:

The changing world order will likely result in instability in the world.

The two powers, Russia and China, might compete for world hegemony.

This can likely lead to a war. Thus ending U.S. supremacy does not necessarily mean that peace would follow.

#### V. Conclusion:

To sum up, U.S. have been exploiting global south by dollar and swift.

BRICS+, however, presents hope to global south by providing them with common platform and adopting various strategies to make them economically prosperous. However, ending dollar supremacy can have some disastrous implication. Overall, BRICS+ is a hope for Global south.