

The Disintegration of Values in the Modern World

Outline:

A: Introduction:

- a) Decadence of values in the Modern World
- b) cursory outlook of crisis and chaos of the Modern World
- c) Thesis statement: There is no denial to the fact that the Modern World is on the verge of destruction because of the moral decadence and deterioration of values. In the Modern World, disintegration of values is evident as it is marked by disunity among nations, regional chaos, global conflicts, political crisis, economic disparity, educational decline, rise in intolerance, religious negligence and extremism. The Modern World can attain peace and tranquility, if the moral values are upheld without any discrimination.

B: The Deterioration of Values in the Modern World.

1. Sway from Religion is the primary reason behind the decline in values.

a) Divine teachings are the best source of guidance.

b) Distance from religion leads to chaos.

2. Decline in the inclination to get education

a) The Modern World is turning pessimistic gloomy and saddist.

b) The urge to seek knowledge and to progress has declined.

3: The emergence of confusing global trends.

- a) Globalization, an emerging global trend, is doing more harm than good.
- b) Queer and irrational doctrines are affecting the values across the world.

4: The evil passions dominant in the Modern World are the harbinger of disintegrated values.

- a) Intolerance has rotten the values of the nations.
- b) Injustice, violence, extremism etc. are taking the world towards nowhere but destruction.

5: The Modern World is marked by the inhumane practices which reflect its moral disintegration.

- a) Regional conflicts and the race of gaining territory is on rise.
- b) Modern Nations own a double-faceted policies.

6: The Modern World is lacking values as it is indifferent to the global changes.

- a) The global climatic crisis is still unchecked by the Modern World.
- b) Natural calamities, poverty and ^{economic} disparity do not awaken the Modern World.

C: The Modern World can become 'Modern' in real sense by;

- 1) Changing the global perspectives of right and wrong.
 - a) Global powers need to wake up from the slumber of negligence.
- 2) Promoting good values of tolerance and acceptance.
 - a) Nations need to be on one page regardless of all differences.
- 3) Imparting education to all.
 - a) Education is the step that can change the world.
- 4) Seeking Guidance from Divine.
 - a) The Divine is the ultimate source of guidance to end disintegration.

D: Conclusion.

ESSAY:

Allah Almighty directs the guidance-seekers in this way "And hold firmly to the rope of Allah and do not become divided." [al Aal-Imran: 103]. Unfortunately, man ignored the religious instruction of unity and became divided. Resultantly, hell broke loose and today the world is marked by disintegration and lawlessness. Certainly, the Modern World

is living under the false illusion of progress and peace. In fact, it is experiencing the worst and the most extreme happenings solely because of the disintegration of values. The Modern World is shattered as it witnesses economic disparity, regional differences, political conflicts, religious hatred, disunity among nations, global crisis, educational decline, intolerance and extremism. These ^{morally} disintegrated practices are leading the world towards nowhere but destruction. There is a surge in decadence of values which needs to be uprooted ^{as} early as possible. Therefore, the Modern disintegrated world can attain perpetual peace and tranquility by overcoming the moral decadence and uplifting the values.

There are numerous alarming causes of the disintegration of the Modern World. One of the causes is the distance of a Modern man from religion. It is rightly said by Bacon, "An isolated man is either a God or a beast." It implies that a man needs a society to live with and that society ultimately links with the world. Hence, it is the prime responsibility of man to seek guidance from religion. Unfortunately, the Modern World is standing on the verge of destruction because man has neglected the religious guidance. Thus, the negligence of religious teachings is the cause of disintegration of values in the Modern World.

The Modern World is facing extreme challenges that are caused due to religious misunderstanding. The evil practices of terrorism, violation of Human Rights,

extremism and intolerance are due to non conformity with the religious teachings. Every religion teaches morality and upholds the values. The Modern World is in crisis due to the extreme practices adopted by those who never pay heed to religion. The safest and ^{most} advanced nations are facing attacks on mosques, attacks on innocent people in Malls, knife-violence incidents, suicide bombing, burning of schools etc due to the ignorance from religious teachings. Hence, the sway from religion is the prime cause of disintegration of values in the Modern world.

The educational urge and the desire to achieve stability has turned into the state of staying in the depression and unawareness. This criminal negligence is keeping man from advancement and is disintegrating the social fabric of the society. For instance, the literacy rate of Pakistan was 62% in 2022 which declined to 59% in 2023. Illiteracy will bring disintegration to the moral values and the Modern world will never attain a stable status. Hence, the decline in the educational interest and illiteracy has disintegrated the values of the Modern World.

The modern man is devoid of passions and values. As, Thomas Stearns Eliot has observed, "The modern man is a hollow man." The hollowness of the Modern man is causing the deterioration in the values which is harmful for the Modern World. A modern man lacks the courage to uplift the society and end its misery. Therefore, it is true that the chaos in the modern world

is caused due to the hollowness and emptiness of the modern man.

The pace at which the modern world is changing is alarming because it has introduced strange concepts. The confusing trends of the modern world, for instance globalization and feminism, are doing more harm than good. They are provoking the beliefs and norms of people and targeting their innate essence. The modern world is disintegrated and divided due to the confusing global trends which are supported and cherished by some nations but rejected and strongly condemned by the others. Therefore, the unacceptable trends of modern world are adding more to the misery of the world and^{by} disintegrating its values.

In the recent years, it is seen that certain odd and irrational doctrines ~~was~~ emerged and gained popularity in some regions while rejection in the other regions. The queer theory of LGBTQ, homosexuality, tussle over abortion law, absolute freedom of feminism and others are depriving the world from peace and prosperity. Such theories are also a cause of disintegrating the values of the modern world. Therefore, a rational and mutually agreed theories or ideas can save the values of the modern world.

The modern world is plagued with intolerance which is eating the peace of the modern world.

After WWI, the world was disintegrated and devastated. T.S. Eliot opined that, "Tolerance is the only tool which the world requires to rebuild itself." Unfortunately, the tool of tolerance is not adopted by the world and it is still the same as it was after WWI. Hence, the absence of intolerance is the key factor behind the disintegration of the Modern World.

Moreover, the Modern World is plunged into the evil race of lust, power and in doing so it brings injustice, inequality and violence. This race of dominance has divided the world into different blocks. The regions which possess absolute power are doing absolute harm to the other regions. They have ignored that fact; ^{that} "with power comes great responsibility;" and are continuously involved in corruption, injustice, violence, inequality, extremism, marginalization. Lord Acton was right about such nations when he said, "Absolute power corrupts the man absolutely." Thus, the practice of using power for marginalization of others is the reason of disintegration of values in the Modern World.

The Modern world, with all its treasures and lavishness, is not at ease as there are serious conflicts involved to achieve the best resources and enlarge the territories. Russia is at war with Ukraine, Israel has attacked Palestinian territory, India is continuously interfering the internal matters of Pakistan, and Iran is on bad terms with Saudi Arabia. All these conflicts are primarily due to the lack of values. Hence,

the disintegration of values in the Modern World is evident in the political, regional and territorial rifts of the modern nations.

Furthermore, the modern nations are not ethically honest as they pose a double-faceted appearance on the diplomat fronts. For instance, USA supports Ukraine against Russia as it is of the view that Russia is violating the human rights but the same USA aids Israel in its inhumane attack on Gaza. This double-policy is an evidence of disintegration of values as the honest and just treatment and support would have never place the world where it is standing today. Hence, the disintegration of morality and values in the nations has aided them to plunder upon the world and consequently, the world is deteriorating.

In addition to the indifference of the nations towards the sufferings of others, the world is also indifferent towards the global changes. The world lacks global solidarity to counter the global challenges as Bann Ki. Mor pointed out that, "the climate changes ^{are} global changes as they ^{are} affecting all whether rich or poor, big or small. That is why, we call them global changes which requires global solidarity." Unfortunately, the global changes are not addressed by the Modern world as international agreements, like Kyoto Protocol, Montreal Agreement, were a failure. It is due to the

unchecked indifferent attitude of the Modern world. Therefore, it is true that the morally decadent Modern World is mean to itself and its surroundings.

It is true that the modern world is lacking values and morality which is leading it to a miserable catastrophe. However, there are numerous practical steps which can undo the misery of the Modern World. These solutions are ~~discussed~~ mentioned ^{in the} following paragraphs.

• Firstly, the Modern World needs to change the global perspectives of declaring right as right and wrong as wrong. There should be an authentic ground of supporting a theory or a nation. The irrational and unjust treatment of nations must be avoided at all costs. Despite the disorganized and disintegrated present, the Modern world should look forward to achieving a stable and prosperous future as "future belongs to those who work for their dreams" and the dream of a stable Modern World is not an unattainable one.

Secondly, the Modern world requires to promote good will and tolerance. Tolerance is the supreme passion which induces unity among people regardless of all difference as it is said that "unity is strength". ~~and~~ The Modern World is in dire need of the unified strength. The Modern world should follow the glorious footsteps

of Prophet Muhammad (P.B.U.H) who has made it clear that, "No one is superior to others except on the basis of submission to God [Iqwa]"

Thirdly, the Modern world needs to impart education to everyone so that the darkness of depression, backwardness, extremism and violence is replaced with the shine of progression, advancement, happiness, mutual existence, and peace. The Modern World needs to realize the saying of Nelson Mandela who said, "Education is the only tool that can change the world." Thus, the disintegrating Modern World can be saved by imparting education to all.

Lastly, the ^{chaotic} Modern World can transform itself into a stable and prosperous place by following the divine rules. All religions promote goodness and disapprove evil passions. Every religion supports justice and morality. The Modern World need religion which is the only source of unifying all Nations. Holy Quran invites every human as it says, "There is a clear guidance for those who seeks knowledge." Therefore, the ultimate solution of ending [Al-duran] misery and disintegration of the Modern World is to obey the divine teachings.

It is concluded that the Modern world is a disillusioned world which is not marked with prosperity and ^{Peace} progress. Instead, the Modern World

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is a gloomy place filled with injustice, inequality, terrorism, violence, illiteracy, poverty, war and conflicts. All of these alarming happenings and extreme incidents are due to the disintegration of the values. The decadence of values has caused disunity in the world and its original essence of ^{peaceful} existence is lost. However, the clouds of gloominess can be replaced by the sky of happiness if the Modern World integrates values in itself. It is true that the disintegration of values has done a damage to the Modern World but the tables can be turned by adopting values and ending discrimination. Therefore, the Modern World requires to embrace values and morality to curb with disintegration as Shakespeare has rightly said, "all is well that ends well," and the Modern World should consider values for a good end.
