

Part II

Q162 The HTS Islamist rebels have toppled down Bashar al Assad Regime in Syria. Critically evaluate the reasons and implications of the unprecedented change in Syria.

Introduction:-

The Hayat Tahrir Al Sham Islamist rebels have toppled down Bashar al Assad regime of 53 years in Syria on 8th December 2024. Assad has become hated personality for his brutality in Syria. His wrong strategies to deal the civilians strike with iron hand make him the brutal dictator. Muhammad Al Jolani has become the popular and loved figure among the Syrians people for his toppling down the Assad regime. The Syria will make new relations and end the old regime mistakes under the leadership of Al Jolani.

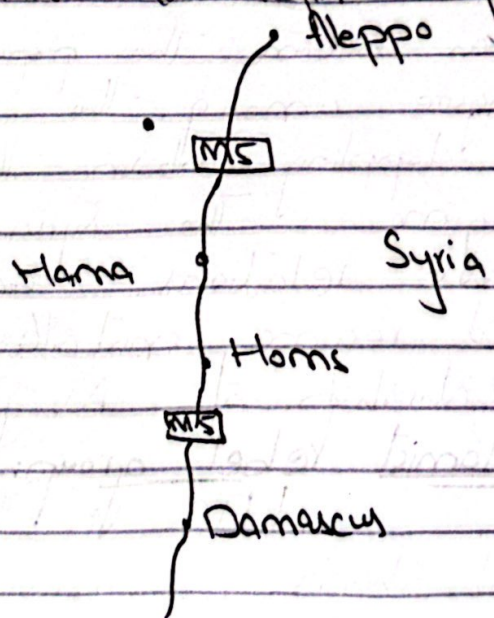
HTS Islamist rebel group:-

HTS is the Hayat Tahrir Al Sham Islamist rebellious group founded in 2017 under the leadership of Muhammad Al Jolani. They

Stated the struggle against the Assad government in 2011. The rebel group was dominant in the state of the idlib. From idlib, the group attack the Aleppo and later moving towards the Hama, Homs and capture the Damascus and forced the Assad to fled from the country.

Capture of the MS road:

MS is the international highway in Syria. Connecting all of the Syrian states with the Jordan in South. HTS group captured the only connecting road MS and this results in the victory. Overthrew the regime by the use of MS



Reasons of the fall of Assad's Regime:

Brutal Torture to the children (Maanijah):

A 14 year old boy Maanijah wrote on the wall "It's your turn" which means that it is your turn to be overthrown from the seat just like ongoing civilian war in the neighbouring countries of Syria doing with the leaders. Maanijah along with other children were taken into the police custody. Parents revolt against their arrest. On the protest of the parents, children were freed but their conditions were merciful. The nails were removed and they were not able to stand on their feet. This started the protesters to protest against the brutal regime of the Assad.

Tanks walked on the civilians:

Civilian protests started with the parents of the affected children. Assad regime brutally replied again. Tanks walked on the civilians to crush the rebellions. To stop the civilian protest iron hand was used.

Use of the Chemicals against Civils:

Use of the chemicals is prohibited by the international laws. But the Assad

government used the chemicals twice
against the civilians and as
a result 10,000 civilians died.
Barak Obama condemned the
Asad regime for using the
chemicals to stop the civilian
war.

Revolt of Soldiers against Asad regime:

Some of the soldiers
group quit their job and came
on the side of the civilians.
They were those who were fed
up from the wrong doings of
the Asad regime they took the
weapons in their hand and
trained the civilians to
fight for their right.

Crippled economy of the Syria was also the reason of the fall of Asad's regime:

The economy was crippled.
The bad economic conditions
due to ongoing conflicts
added fuel to the fire.
People were facing very difficult
time. Unemployment, hunger
strikes forced the local
people to raise the voice
against the Asad's regime.

Implications of the unprecedented change in Syria.

Shift of the foreign Policy:

Aсад's recent foreign Policy was different. Aсад was now in friendship zone with Russia and Iran.

But after the overthrow of the regime, Mohammad Al Jolani will shift the foreign Policy of Syria. Iran and Russia will not be warm welcome by the HTS group.

End of the Shia Suni Conflict within Country

90 percent of the Syrian Population was of Sunni Sect whereas 10 percent is of Shia Sect. Aсад was of Shia Sect and was dominating the Sunni Sect, so Mohammad Al

Jolani overthrew it, so now Sunni will not do conflict with Shia population probably.

Islamic principle will be followed:

Muhammad Al Jolani belongs to the Islamist rebellion group, so there are the chances that he will implement the Islamic principles.

X in - the Country

US gets advantage of Syria

Asad regime was in a good zone with Russia. After the overthrow of Asad Regime, there are the chances that the US will be welcome to maintain the economic stability.

Critical Analysis:

The overthrow of Asad regime by HTS is in the name of 'Ending brutality dictatorship' but HTS himself involve in the terrorist activities.

The Syria is divided into many rebellious group - Turkish forces, Al Qaeda and many other terrorist organizations have their role in Syria. It is a big challenge for Muhammad Al Jolani to maintain peace and overcome the economic crisis of the Country.

Map of the Syria:

Mediterranean sea

Syria

Iraq

Israel

Jordan

Conclusion:

The fall of the Assad regime by the HTS is a milestone achievement. The civilians get the relief from the brutal acts of the Assad regime which results in its downfall. The HTS will make new connections with the countries by ending the Assad's friendships. To stand the crippled economy is a new challenge for the HTS government to overcome.

