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One Man's terrorist is Another
Man's freedom fighter

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The Essay:-

When Russia invaded Ukraine in February 2021, Israel atrocities in West Bank were taking place simultaneously. BBC reported that children were killed by Russian strikes. Ukrainian children were called heroes, whereas, Palestinian children were reported to be terrorists that were killed by Israeli defence forces. The world is being tried to be brainwashed through these narratives. This is how victims of one side of the world are called terrorists while others are called Heroes. The people fighting against these forces are also called freedom fighters and terrorists. Ukrainian forces fighting against Russian forces are true soldiers, but, on the other hand Hamas fighting against Israeli genocide against Gaza are termed as terror.

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exists. For decades this process has been on going. The narrative of one who is more influential will prevail. The reason for this incomplete picture is due to feelings of nationalism, Religious affiliations of different actors, Influence of that group over global politics, Lack of understanding and comfort which leads to indifference. These narratives are shaped through Brainwashing in schools, role of media in promoting Bias etc.

Hamas freedom fighters are termed as terrorists by Israelis and vice versa. Freedom fighters of Hamas are terrorists for Israel. Because both are separation nations, having separate culture & religions. Both are fighting for nationalistic causes. Israel claims over whole of Palestinian territory due to historical reasons. Even if one side is on the right side but they will be terrorists for others.

Religious affiliations of different actors in conflict plays a huge role. History stands witness that infighting between Ottomans and Christians was to make their religions prevail. Christians were terrorists and enemies to Muslims & vice versa. Within religion, sectarian differences can lead to extremism. Sunni and Shias in Pakistan openly declare each other as extremists.

The dominant party in global politics can play a decisive role in this change of narrative. Russia had rightful concerns when NATO was expanding towards its borders by inculcating Ukraine as its member. When Russia retaliated, they were framed as terrorists and NATO forces as Heroes.

Lack of understanding of demands of one party can also lead to misunderstanding among the world. Freedom fighters in Kashmir are fighting for their rightful cause i.e. to get free from the unjust hold of India. But it is confused with Pakistan supporting these fighters and their rightful demands are ignored.

Watching from the comfort of homes the conditions of war torn countries and watching only one side of the story being delivered can cause confusion with regards to the situation. Case studies show that when outsiders firsthandly experienced the pains as visiting doctors in war torn areas, only then were able to see the other side of the story.

All these narratives are shaped most of the time through conscious effort by those on the wrong side. Within society, such beliefs are inculcated from the beginning.

the people of that society automatically starts believing itself to be right. In Israel, the kids are brainwashed in schools about palestinian. The society such poems in assemblies which incite hatred for them. When these kids are grown up and become soldiers, the palestinians are killed by them without any mercy. Because in their mind they think of palestinians as ruthless people.

Media plays a huge role in promoting biasness. For years western media showed Israelis as victims of holocaust to be rightful to killing palestinians. The world viewed palestinians as terrorists that deserved to be killed. BBC, CNN played a huge role in these sinister brainwashing.

Unemployed youth within a country is also brainwashed by foreign elements. These unemployed people are trained to kill the innocent people. BIA kills innocent punjabis and think them as people who has always snatched their share from the state resources.

This whole phenomena can better be understood by the real life case studies. In 1970s, when USSR invaded Afghanistan, the locals were trained to fight against soviets. These were termed as Mujahiddin.

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by the west. But when the purpose of west was served they were called terrorists after 9/11 attacks. These mujahhidi'n were fighting for the independence of their people and were their heroes and still are but the world considers them as terrorists.

Hamas and IDF as another glaring example. Hamas came into being in 1987 after Arab-Israel wars and Israeli atrocities on palestine. For palestinians, they are heroes but for Israelis they are terrorists. IDF (Israeli defence forces) are heroes for Israelis because they believe that IDF is fighting for their defence.

Kashmir was forcefully acceded to India. When Pakistan wanted to reclaim its territory and sent its fighters to Kashmir to liberate it, they were called terrorists. The people of tribal areas who went to fight for Kashmir were our heroes, but were terrorists to India.

Although there can be curtain of misunderstanding, unawareness and confusion hanging on the truth. But there are a lot of efforts that can be made to promote the truth. Independent journalism should be promoted and encouraged. It is be-

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ing witnessed that independent journalism has changed the perspective of people on many issues. For instance people have started looking at Palestinian issue as being one nation completely ~~forced~~ to be ousted by its own country ^{by} Israelis, rather than Israelis as ^{as} few victims of Holocaust trying to survive and reclaim their territory.

There must be awareness among youth with regards to global politics and history of political events to get the true side of the story. There should be an effort by educational institutions to provide to students with material that is not Brainwashing them but making them aware about the truth.

Social media platforms can be utilized by groups to propagate their side of the story to audience. Palestinians have rightfully used social media platform to showcase the atrocities that has been committed by Israel on Gaza. Motaz Aziz is one such Palestinian who has used social media to show to the world the cruelty of Israel.

So, Here of one man can be a terrorist for other man through societal beliefs.

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religious upb affiliations and the efforts made by the group to show itself as victim to the world. Role of media is very important to shaped the minds of the people. But, with the emergence of social media, there has emerged a hope that now narratives will get from the shackles of which group is more dominant and that showcase the other groups. World is now firsthand witnessing every situation through social media.
