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Test 3

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1. There are EIGHT questions divided in TWO SECTIONS and candidate has to attempt five questions in all.
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3. Content of the answer is more important than its length.
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9. **Filling all the details in BLOCK LETTERS is mandatory.**

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All the best for next test...!!!

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1a)

Realism is a prominent school of thought in IR studies. John Dunne calls realism as "toolkit of IR studies".

Morganthau in "Politics Among Nations" book gave basic principle of classical realist.

According to which, anarchy is the basic feature of IR. States are primary actors of the international polity.

Due to anarchy, states or resort to self help and sovereignty or statism. Thus, the 3S of realism - state, statism and self help.

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As per ^{classical} realism, as human is power centric and hungry, states represent human. And therefore states are power maximizer and look for absolute gain.

As per Morgenthau, John Mearsheimer, power of states ^{is} military power.

Neo-realist like Kenneth Waltz gave theory of capability approach. Feminist like

Ann Tickner criticised Morgenthau

for Masculine international study.

However, the realist paradigm is still visible through Russia, -Ukraine war.

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Post the October revolution, Russia became independent from Czarist regime. It came to be a con-federation of countries forming USSR or Soviet Union.

The USSR disintegrated in 1991 due to internal and external causes.

Internal causes reflected the lacunas of socialistic functioning of country. The excessive power concentration led to corruption.

Moreover, the Gorbachev's doctrine tried to reform communist society in lines of capitalism by introducing privatisation.

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To which Alex de Tocqueville says
"Tyrannies collapse when they tend to reform themselves".

External factors were linked to cold war stress. The military expenditure of Soviet Union was 12%. Ronald Reagan's policy of "biggar thy neighbour" also had effect on Soviet's security and economic dilemma.

Thus, collapse of Soviet Union marks a major watershed of International politics. It made us and world "unipolar". And such that Francis Fukuyama called it "end of history".

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National Interest is a multi
(NZ)
-dimensional and multi faceted
theory of realist school of thought.

Rayman Aaron called it a pseudo theory. Because of its vague, subjective and highly variable nature.

Morganthau of his "Politics among Nations" book called NI as survival. It is protection of physical, moral and cultural boundaries.
however VV Dyke termed it as value, desires and interest of state.

Natt NI is both variable

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and permanent as per TW

Robinson.

NI cannot be regarded as unilateral or one dimensional.

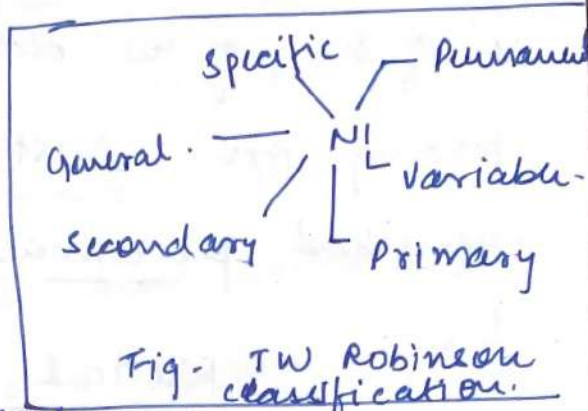


Fig- TW Robinson classification.

It changes according to time and space. Like China's 5

finger policy transition from small attacks to direct confrontation in Galwan Valley or Long Wolf diplomacy in S. China sea.

Thus NI is a very ambiguous terminology such that it justifies action of state in different world order.

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Comparative politics branch is one of the oldest studies tracing from Aristotle's 158 constitutions and governments comparison.

Political economy approach is modern comparative political component. It studies how politics affect economy and vice versa.

Kautilya in Arthashastra termed kosha as an important limb of saptang theory. Similarly traditional approach of Adam Smith, Ricardo highlight the centricity of economics.

economics as tool of politics was further studied by

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Marxist school like Wallerstein's world system theory, And furthered by Gramscian like Andrew Linklater, Samir Amin.

It has been criticised for excessive focus on economic and sidelining the cultural aspects. What Huntington calls "Clash of ideologies".

It further does not account of the different societies like prismatic society (Rigg) or overdeveloped states (Hanya Alu)

Thus, the political economy though may exaggerated economic aspect it helps in understanding the functioning of liberal democratic world order.

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Pressure groups are termed as "invisible empires" by Prof. Fraser.

They exert pressure on state to act in their advantage.

As noted by David Held, the pressure groups (PG) have led to formation of "polyarchies".

However, PG differ in developing and developed countries.

As per Almond, PG can be divided into 4 categories:

- ① Associational
- ② Non Associational
- ③ Anomic
- ④ Institutional.

In developed countries, as ~~dem~~ democratic value has been imbued in people, institutional

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PGs prevail like Business groups while in developing country as there is identity primacy

Anomic groups or caste, class prevail.

Due to capitalism from above in developing countries both associational - formal and non associational have influence.

However, in developed countries the influence of PGs is more as compared. And PGs take part

in foreign policy making as well. while in developing, they do not take interest in extra territorial concepts.

Jean Blondel further divided PGs on functional aspect as "Traditional Trade Union" in developing and modern in developed countries.

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Realism is one of the prominent school of thought in international relations (I.R) studies. John Dunley calls it as "toolkit of IR"

As per realism, the IR world is characterised by Anarchy. Due to non presence of "supra government" state is primary actor of the IR. States ~~to~~ can not trust each other and therefore resort of to self help. Kautilya in Arthashastra also propounded the self help and Sap Mandala theory and recognise friends (Mitra) and foe (Ari)

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The world, as per realist, is in constant state of war. + Sun Tzu in "The Art of War" book said states have to protect sovereignty

Realism help to understand the competitive side of IR. As per the ~~scholar~~ Morganthau [Politics among Nation book], states are power maximizer, and thus accumulate military. We can see this in China's growing artillery and low wolf diplomacy. As per ~~the~~ SIPRI report, world's military expenditure has been ever growing and accounts for 14% increase.

Realism also highlight the

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balance of power proposition. As per Kenneth Waltz and Mercier's Power of Polarity thesis, unipolarity and multipolarity are unstable. This can be seen in rising revisionist power like China, India and China-US trade war.

As per the Billiard Ball model of realism, states are bound to go to war. This is reflective of Russia-Ukraine war and Armenia-Azerbaijan standoff.

However realism has been criticised by liberal school for the "realpolitik" and extreme hard stand on rationality of state. The

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complex interdependence or lobweb model of today's world economic has shifted the state from geo politics to geo economics.

Feminist school also criticised Morgenthau's 6 fold division (Fig 1) as masculinist and extremely political centric.

Though realism has been power centric it has been reformed by structural realist like Kenneth Waltz,

Robert Gilpin (hegemonic stability theory) and Mohd.

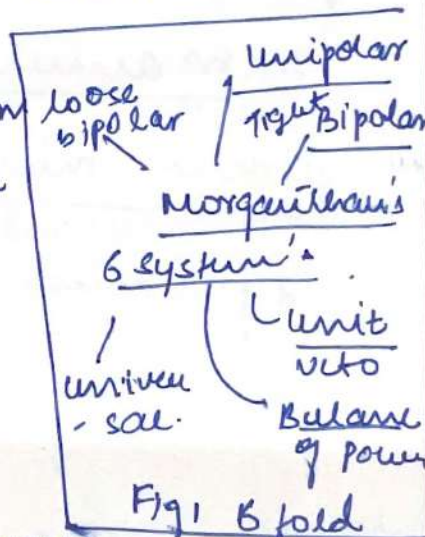


Fig 1 6 fold

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Thus,

realism help in understanding the world order at macro level.

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2b

Feminism as a school of thought in international relations rose to prominence during 1980s.

It underscores the absence of women both in IR studies and policy making. Ann Tickner question - " whose are the women? "

As per feministic school of thought, the IR studies have neglected women and the effect of the policies on it -

As per ^{former} Ambassador Nirupama Roy, the lack of women diplomats and absence of gendered foreign policy has casted "shadow pandemic" on IR. This has led to near absence of women angle.

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As per feminist school, the repression of masculinist IR policy making has exaggerated effect on women. lynch law notes the → flight of sex trafficking and migration of labour are considered low politics but they are equally important like military and war.

Feminist school advocated the power is not just political but social as well. "Politics stops at front door" -

Thus, politics should also include personal sphere. what says "personal is political"

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As per realist thinkers, IR is power politics. The feminist school criticised realist school for ignoring the power politics at social level.

standpoint feminist advocate for a feministic view of IRs.

Thus, feminism has given a more inclusive and soio-political reform need of IR studies. Sweden in 2014 adopted feminist foreign policy which can be done by other states as well.

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Immanuel Wallerstein gave theory
of world system on the basis of
Materialistic notion of Marxism.

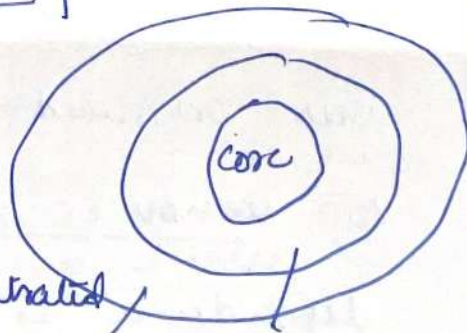
As per ~~same~~ ^{the} theory,
the interaction of countries is
based on the hierarchical arrangement
of means of production.

According to means
of production the states are
divided into 3 → core, periphery
and semi periphery

The advanced mode
of production and
and

technologies are concentrated
with core countries.

While semi periphery and periphery
depend upon finished product or



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Core . Semi periphery and periphery are raw material exporters for core countries .

In core countries there is high level of wages and good standard of life . while periphery and semi-periphery have low and subsistence level of wage .

In this way , mode of production has ensured conversion of by core countries on other two .

The world system theory was criticised ~~by~~ for having too economic centrality . The dependence as per liberal school is not coercive but developmental .

It has led to greater human and

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social capital in new third world countries.

When the pluralistic notion of states was not adopted by the theory. Like Riggs' prismatic society or state as overdeveloped. (namgya mi).

World system theory was also criticised for not including identity, culture in domination. So for eg.: Robert Cox, common sense of capitalism.

Thus, World system theory though lacks certain complexities, it helps understand the dependency of I, II and III world countries

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3a) - International relations (IR) study embodies different aspects of world order. Marxist school of thought gave a socio-political angle of IR study. Like Nkrumah's "no colonialism" - last stage of imperialism. And Immanuel Wallerstein's world system theory to understand dependency of core, periphery and semi periphery countries. However, with growing interdependence and cosmopolitan values, Gramscian and Frankfurt school gave theory of hegemony in IR.

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As per idea of hegemony, the dependence is not only economic but also ideological. As per Robert Cox's "Understanding of world Order" book in "Approaches to World Order" book, US and UK have made capitalism as "common sense".

The consumerism has reduced man to 1 dimensional as per Herbert Marcuse. This has led to domination of 1 world countries. As per critical school of thought given by Andrew Kinklater, there has been expansion of moral boundary. This has

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declined the state role and rise of "supra nationalism".

The hegemony of theory has been ^{is} important in understanding the current world order. US has ruled the world politics not only because of military reach by . but also because of soft power. As noted by Joseph Nye in "The Origins of Power" book soft power is ideological and cultural power.

In Asia, China through its multiple schemes like BR1, Maritime silk route project is trying to be a hegemon.

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Samir Amin in "Accumulation on a world scale" highlighted the less developed countries are ^{not} capable of autonomous self sustaining growth and depends of 2 world country. The dollarization of world economy also represents the US hegemony.

Thus, the theory of hegemony in IR gives a sociological angle to international politics. It helps in explaining the multipolar power and its sources.

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3b)

From the history of International studies, polarity is central to understand the domination and denomination of countries.

Post the Soviet Union disintegration, world was understood as "unipolar". liberal democratic order through institutions like IMF, WTO further helped the world ^{rules} based world order paradigm. Francis Fukuyama contended it as "end of ideology".

However, with growing interconnectedness and rising revisionist power, there has

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been contentions about Multipolar world.

Russia with Ukraine war is trying to ascertain its global position. UK with motto of Brexit and make it world leader again has also started climbing the pole.

In Asia, China, Russia and India are also looking for more strategic alliances. China with sharp hard power (both soft + hard power) is spreading its reach from Central Asia to Europe. While India with strategic alignment like Vietnam - India military pact, Asia Africa Growth Corridor, + International N-S transport

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Corridor leading for "net security provider" status.

Thus, there is a growing race for multipolar world order. But according to Kenneth Waltz, polarity of power thrusts, it is highly unstable.

Therefore as noted by Foreign Minister S Jaishankar, multipolarity is "battle of soft power" and would need multipolar economic order. This can be seen in RCEP, Conwell consensus, New development Bank.

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Euro centrism is a kaleidoscopic view of comparative study.

According to it, Europe is the "ideal state" with features of democracy. The European states are considered benchmark. According to which all states are equated and located in hierarchy.

It is endowed with "white man's burden" philosophy where white culture / western philosophy is considered ideal.

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Earlier comparative politics i.e. traditional / comparative government was heavily Eurocentric. The east-countries considered barbaric and lacking rationality

It poses challenge to study of comparative politics. As it leads to very narrow conception of society.

As European countries are naturally divided by identity they don't suffer the third world problems of identity crisis. or what multiculturalist calls lack of "polyethnic rights"
(Will Kymlicka)

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Euro criticism is thus, a major impediment to larger comparative politics. It can be solved by post-modernist view of micro analysis and not looking into grand theories fit for every society and culture.

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5a)

Comparative politics is systematic study of systems and components. It comprises traditional and modern approaches.

Aristotle is considered "father of comparative politics". The traditional approach is legal institutional approach, it studies the division of constitution, states (like democracy, autocracy), forms of government (parliamentary or presidential).

The main propounders were Aristotle,

The limitations faced by comparative government were:

① ethnocentric and narrow in approach.

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- ② Marxist school criticised it for overlooking class conflicts and divides.
- ③ Does not take into account the variablities of states itself like riggs - prismatic society or Myron giddels "soft state"
- ④ limits states role to unidimensional security
- ⑤ Static in nature i.e. studies constitutions rather than polity.

The comparative governance was further modified by Modernist approach of comparative politics by theories like system Approach (David Easton) or political functional approach (Almond & Powell).

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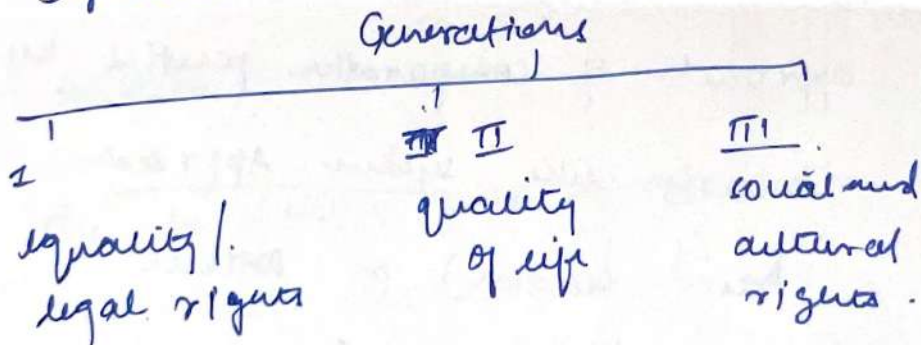
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5b)

UN security general, Boutros
ghali kumud NK es ^{human rights} common
language of humanity and ultimate
norm of all politics.

Human rights have been
defined and codified in UDHR
(Universal declaration of HR) by
UN GA. It has become universal
such that R2P placards were
shown to Myanmar flag during
protests.

HRs encompass the
3 generations



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However, common standard of
HRs does not seem set.
As per Asian Value debate,
started by Singapore PM Lee Kuan
Yew, HRs are urocentric
and method of version of
Asian values- In Asia, duties are
central than rights. Individualism
is second to community, and
discipline and obedience greater
than rights or freedom.
- however, HRs have called for
the basic fundamental of liberty
and equality. That can be
seen in internationalisation of HRs
~~as~~ visible in Hong Kong protests,
or Black line water protests.

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5c)

New International economic order was document in 1970 presented as an alternative to Bretton Woods and Washington Consensus.

It highlighted that the present liberal democratic world order has led to exclusion and subjugation of developing countries. The institutes and laws were made when half of the developing countries were not independent. It does not represent the demands of third world countries.

Further propounded by World System Theory of Wallerstein, the Washington Consensus has led

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to different modes of production and inequality.

It demanded equality of pricing of raw materials, technology transfer and bridging the North - South divide (Brundt Commission report). It further called for more reform in liberal institutions like UNSC, WTO.

The present Cornwall consensus also highlights the need to adopt sustainable, inclusive World Order. Thus NIEO should

be further enhanced for a multipolar liberal democratic world order.

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5 d)

UN is a paramount example of collective security. It through its various bodies like UN peacekeeping, UNSC, International Court of Justice tries to maintain liberal economic world order.

UN has been involved in various peacekeeping missions. The peacekeeping forces have been stationed in Mali, West^r Sahara, DRC, S. Sudan. It has saved ~~from~~ people from ethnic cleansing and genocide.

As for the role of UN peacekeeping, resolutions and deliberations are provided in UNGA. Resolution 1373 adopted

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by UNSC for counter terrorism.
Resolution 1456 ensure humanitarian
law interventions.
However, the P5 in UNSC
still represent the status quo.
like resolution on Ukraine - ^{Russia} ~~the~~
war was vetoed was Russian
and China.

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5c)

WTO was formed in 1994 by replacing GATT. In order to, address the changed paradigm of trade it adopted - TRIPS, Agreement on Agriculture.

The WTO represents the liberal economic order of "complex interdependence". Recently 12th ministerial conference of WTO held concluded with Agreement on subsidy on fisheries and

WTO has been

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7a)

Comparative politics (CP) is a methodological approach. Aristotle is termed as "father of comparative politics"

~~It~~ The CP is divided into traditional and Modern approach. Structural functional approach by Almond and Powell is Modern CP approach.

It has been derived from David Easton's system approach and Malcolmowski sociological cultural approach.

According to it, political system are multifunctional and

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all are mixed system of cultural sense.

The structural functional (SF) approach give micro analysis.

As per Almond, the 2 characteristics of development of a system are

- ① secularization.
- ② structure differentiation.

As per the SF a political system has inputs and outputs with a Feed back feeder.

Input has

Input	Actors.	POLITICAL SYSTEM
Political socialization and recruitment	Schools, society family.	
Political communication	Political party.	
Interest Articulation	Pressure group and interest group	
Interest Aggregation	Political party	

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Output has .

	Output	Actors
Poli- tical system	Rule Making	Legislature
	Rule Application	Executive
	Rule Adjudication	Judiciary

Deriving heavily from Easton's model, the PF approach also has similar limitations, such as:

- ① Unnecessarily tergonic and complicated.
- ② static and eurocentric.
- ③ Mechanistic what Kross says
"empty vision of politics, lacks substance".
- ④ Absence of ideological orientation
 Eugene Miller calls it "status quo orientated general theory".

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- ⑤ Marxist school criticised it for absence of study of class.
- ⑥ Not fit for third world countries where military - bureaucratic oligarchy has led to over developed state, as noted by Kamya Akai.
- ⑦ Samuel P Huntington noted the "political decay" and "clash of civilization" due to ideologies.

However, the SF approach helps in understanding the role of various elements of society and help in deciphering its importance in IR studies -

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7b).

Nuclear arsenals possess the capacity to destroy world and humanity multiple times. For advocating nuclear energy's judicious use nuclear proliferation is targeted.

As per Kenneth Waltz, the destructive nature of nuclear weapons has led to self deterrence. And states are less likely to use it "for small gains". while Scott Sagar liquefied the fear of non-democratic leaders and accidental use.

Nuclear proliferation has certainly increased in present times. As per SIPRI report China has increased

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its nuclear warhead to more than 336. Russia and US have not yet build consensus on START policy. While N. Korea has time and again reported Nuclear weapon test.

As per Vipin Narang, the proliferation has increased because states have started looking nuclear arsenal as not a major threat. He highlighted how India went for surgical strike even when both Pakistan and India have nuclear weapons. Also Chinese extension to Yaluwan valley knowing that India possess nuclear capability.

The Great Power states, accolade has also called for greater proliferation. As per profr. Kanishk Thakur, the

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leadership intent is not clear
and in many case power
strengthening.

Thus, Nuclear proliferation is
a sign of greater anarchical
regime of IR. which should be
controlled by deterrence by reforming
the status quo NPT, CTBT.

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7c)

Environment is a common resource blanketing the whole world. However the ^{activities} anthropogenic ~~activities~~ has caused it to deteriorate and ring alarm of anthropogenic mass extinction.

Environment issue is a highlight of what Garrett Hardin say " Tragedy of commons". Given the transnational character it is difficult of for consensus building on environmental measure.

Developed countries blame developing for the use of primitive and traditional source of energy like coal. Whereas developing countries highlight the need for a substantive level of economy to reach and then

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for diversification as done by developed countries themselves.

The other ~~issue~~ ~~arises~~ out of technology transfer. Developing countries advocate it as "historical responsibility" of developed countries.

Moreover, financing issue is also a major hurdle of ~~the~~ establishment of Paris Climate Change pact. There is no coherence on the rate of carbon credit price as well.

The developing countries also blame developed countries for anthro-centric development and "winning over nature" ideology.

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Thus, environment is a shared resource which should be protected by common approach - St. Louis Declaration and Naturalistic One Health Approach as noted by Vandana Shiva can be adopted.

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Test 03

Time Allowed: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 250

There are **EIGHT** questions divided in **TWO SECTIONS** and candidate has to attempt five questions in all.

Question Nos. **1** and **5** are compulsory and out of the remaining, any three are to be attempted choosing at least **ONE** question from each section.

SECTION A

Q 1 Answer the following in about 150 words each:

- a) Enumerate the basic principles of Morgenthau's classical realist theory.
- b) Discuss the Causes of disintegration of U.S.S.R
- c) National interest is a pseudo theory. Comment.
- d) what are the limitations of political economy approach.
- e) Discuss the changing nature of pressure group politics in developing countries.

Q 2

- a) In the discipline of International Relations, Realism is a school of thought that emphasizes the competitive and conflictual side of international relations. Discuss.
- b) The feminist contribution to the theory of International relations can be understood through their deconstruction of gender both as a socially constructed identities and as a powerful organising logic. Comment
- c) Elucidate Immanuel Wallerstein's theory of world system and its limitations.

Q 3

- (a) Explain the idea of hegemony in the theory of international relations. How far do you think the idea of hegemony is helpful in understanding the dynamics of international relations?
- (b) Do you agree that the world is fast emerging as a multipolar world? Give suitable examples and arguments to support your point of view.
- (c) What do you understand by Euro-centrism? What challenges does it pose to the study of comparative politics?

Q 4

- (a) Critically analyse the neoliberal theory of international relations with special reference to the idea of Complex Interdependence.
- (b) Are international institutions designed to efficiently resolve the problem of conflict or to magnify the interests of the powerful states?
- (c) To what extent it would be appropriate to say that the security landscape has changed with the demise of USSR and consequently deterrence can no longer be the basis of sound security policy?

SECTION B

Q 5 Discuss the following in about 150 words each:

- (a) Limitations of traditional approach to comparative politics.
- (b) Realisation of common standards of human rights is still a challenging task.
- (c) New International Economic Order
- (d) UN peacekeeping and peacebuilding
- (e) Future of WTO.

Q 6

- (a) Has economic globalization changed international politics? Discuss how increased economic integration influences foreign policies of the states?
- (b) The Security Council's objective was to stop a conflict by addressing its cause. But, for years now, it has taken on the subsidiary pursuit of being a humanitarian council. Substantiate?
- (c) Despite the many advances that human civilization has achieved, it continues to face multiples risks and threats to human security, transnational terrorism is one of the most significant security challenge. Elaborate.

Q 7

- (a) Critically evaluate the relevance of structural functional approach for the study of international politics.
- (b) Analyse the problem of nuclear proliferation in present times and the factors responsible for it.
- (c) What are the main issues of debate between developed and developing countries in the context of environment?

Q 8

- (a) Enumerate the theories of regionalism and how do you look at the prospect of regionalism in the post pandemic world order.
- (b) Compare and Contrast the nature of State in advanced industrial societies with that of developing societies.
- (c) Most believe that a rules based international order is a remote possibility. Instead, uncertainty and impermanence are likely to be the dominant aspect in world affairs. In the light of this statement, in what way the war in Ukraine will shape the world order?

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