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The third world war: Scary dream of 21st century

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Abstract:

“The Third World War” for some it is just merely an imagination but for some it will become a reality one day. Just after the end of Second World War the term Third World War had become a talk of the various discussions and still continues in the 21st century. The second world war saw the destruction of many countries along with their economies. European empire shattered after the second world war . Second world war replaced Britain with United States of America as sole super power and completely changed the world order. After the second world war a new pan world organisation United Nations had been established to develop mutual understanding between nations also to establish peace as well as to avoid the Third World war. United Nations successfully avoided Third World war from taking place even during Cold war era where two super powers rivalry reached it’s climax. In the 21st century after the speculation about starting a new cold war between United States of America and China the probability of Third World war is also speculated. After the cold war of 20th century now a undeclared cold war between US and China has started and have given the geopolitical expert to redraw the possible map of third world war.

During cold war era there were few instances broke out which would eventually resulted into Third World war but somehow world had avoided and deal that instances responsibly. Cuban missile crisis was such instance in which world was just an inch from Third World war. Cuban missile crisis takes place due to the deployment of nuclear weapons by USSR in Cuba which is a very close country to US so US conveyed message to USSR to remove the nuclear weapons from Cuba finally USSR had removed the nuclear weapons and peace prevails between two super power and world had successfully avoided nuclear war. It is in the need for humanity to continuously avoid the third world war with the help of UN and some responsible countries because third world war will result in complete destruction of humanity and our modern civilization will completely vanished due to possible use of weapons of mass destruction in the possible world war. As one of the greatest scientist Albert Einstein in his one statement explain the outcome of third world war “I know not with what weapons World War III will be fought, but World War IV will be fought with sticks and stones.” This statement of Albert Einstein clearly describe the devastation of third world war, That according to him no modern weapons will be left to fight the 4th World war if third world war takes places.

Reason for starting of a Third World war in 21st century -

It can be a single spark that can eventually lead to a Third World war as some experts suggests. In 21st century there are plenty of reasons that may be responsible for beginning of third world war. Let us see some reasons that has the ability to trigger full fledged World war. One of the main reasons that will ultimately lead to third world war is trust deficit between countries specially among super powers and other powerful countries. Deficiency of trust can easily seen between various countries as in case of USA and China involving Taiwan issue. As US is continuously providing some weapons to the government of Taiwan in order to defend themselves against expansion seeker China as US and Taiwan have been anticipating an attack of China in near future for the occupation of Taiwan due to expansionist Chinese policy in the South China sea region also growing military of China specially their Navy while on the other hand China seeing the continuous weapon exchange between US and Taiwan making its top leadership angry and suspicious of the role of US in Taiwan also by providing weapons to Taiwan US is ensuring to check Chinese expansion in the South China sea region this hurts Chinese interest in the region. On the other hand China since the Communist party had power of running Chinese government always dream of capturing Taiwan in future but for the US and other countries the stability of Taiwan best serve their interests as Taiwan is hub of semiconductor making industry which is considered as a new oil in the world due to its need and demand. So due to this trust deficit we are seeing a rivalry between US and China and that

may trigger a war between China and Taiwan and if not handled well then will eventually be third world war can be possible if America and its allies take part in it.

Currently war between Russia and Ukraine is also result of a trust deficit among them as Russia fears that Ukraine will join North Atlantic treaty organization (NATO) in coming future due to Ukraine's closeness with US and its partners and Ukraine along with US failed to give assurance to Russia that Ukraine will not join NATO at last this trust deficit results into full fledged war between Russia and Ukraine. So the nation has to develop a mechanism to have a mutual trust between them in order to avoid war. War cannot be solution of trust deficit only dialogue and diplomacy is the solution of building trust.

Second biggest reason that can trigger world can be a human mistake that result into beginning of third world war. Human mistake is simply a misfiring of missile or some other weapons and if that weapon contains nuclear weapons then that situation is beyond imagination. Suppose if any aircraft carrier of USA sailing through South China sea misfires missile inside China in which many people died and China left with no option other then attacking US and that will result into a world war as many countries will participate in that war. So it is better that countries need to develop a good communication and understanding between them to avoid such situations of human or machine error and trust each other. As recently India misfired missile inside Pakistan but both countries handled that situation in a very matured manner and avoid any kind of aggression.

New kind of warfare can lead to third world war like Chemical weapons, biological weapons and technical warfare. If any countries uses Chemical weapons against other country and that country has support of one of super power of the world then the world war cannot be avoided and similarly biological weapons are one of the most dangerous weapon in the world if any countries will develop a virus like Corona in their lab and uses against other countries this situation also lead to world war if that country has nuclear weapons or has super powers as its friend. In technological warfare hacking of data, satellite can also trigger war in near future and has the ability to start third world war.

The world is again heading towards bipolar world as in cold war era that can become one reason of starting of third world war. As in bipolar world the world is divided completely into two camps and any misunderstanding between any countries of two camp will result into World war. So to avoid such situations multipolar world is ideal.

Strategic resources like crude oil, semiconductor, natural gas and other minerals can cause a third world war. Super powers along with their partners will try hard to take control of all

strategic resources and the rival super powers also tries the same and one spark in that situation can cause a world war.

The third world war scenario –

At the time of second world war only USA has nuclear weapons and the amount of destruction the Japan witnessed due to nuclear war was seen by whole world. Now there are 9 countries that has nuclear bomb and these countries are continuously increasing their nuclear weapons at very high pace specially China. Also various weapons of mass destruction are there in many countries of world like Chemical and biological weapons. So the third world war will see many weapons of mass destruction. Dropping of Chemical weapons nuclear weapons will completely destroy that area.

Countries will attack other countries with nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction ,technological warfare will be used to hack military installations of enemy countries along with satellites, the participants and the non participants countries both will face the havoc of third world war. Third world war will eventually destroy our modern civilization killing almost all people. The devastation caused by second world war was repaired but the destruction caused by third world war will not be repairable and once if third world war started it will impossible to end the Third World war because no party will alive to sign any kind of peace treaty.

In third world war no cameras will be left to capture the scenes of third world war. The destruction of countries, the destruction of humanity and the destruction of our earth will prevail after the start of third world war. Even Ocean will not spare from the destruction caused by third war. In third world war chances are very high that ocean will also turn into battlefield and a single nuclear bomb dropped by any country in ocean will not only destroy the marine life of that ocean but also Tsunami like situation will be seen. Space will also become a key battlefield rival countries will do their best to destroy every possible satellite of other country and third world war with such kind If destruction put us back thousands of year from where we started as civilization.

How to avoid third world war-

The first thing to do in order to avoid third world war is to make reforms in United Nations and make UN stronger. Without reforms the actual picture of 21st century cannot be represented in United Nations. Currently United Nations most powerful organ that is United Nations security council represent 20th century world order and lacks the representation of many important and big countries in the UNSC. So by reforming the UN we can make UN more stronger and only stronger UN can avoid world war and established peace between countries of the world. We

should admire the role of UN in 20th century cold and we can avoid such destruction only by making UN a true parliament of the world.

In order to prevent world war the world shall have a multipolar world order rather than bipolar or unipolar. Multipolar world order ensure and give representation to many power centers of the world. Multipolar world involves various power centers with their different interests and in this scenario there are chances that less countries are there in super power camps and hence the chances of world waUkraine war may be beginning of third world war: George Soros minimizes.

Democracy also will ensure that tension does not turn into World war. As we can say that democratic countries deal rival countries in a very matured manner also democratic countries help to solve various disputes all over the world. Two democratic countries can be rival but there are very less chances that they will start a war or a full fledged World as democracy promote diplomacy and dialogues. So promotion of democracy is the promotion of peace and reduction of chances of world war in coming future. If democratic system prevail in all the countries of world then we will surely avoid destruction of humanity. Nuclear weapons consider as a weapon of destruction of humanity but many geopolitical expert pointed out their positive role in avoiding second world war. It said that it was the nuclear weapons that protected world war in cold war era. Both US and USSR had nuclear weapons and both were aware of the amount of destruction caused by nuclear bomb hence both avoid any kind of war.

UN nations need to put forward a new plan in discussion with all members countries to firstly stop the making of weapons of mass destruction and finally to destroy all weapons of mass destruction to make earth a safer place as during this scenario even if the world war will escalate chance of huge destruction will be minimized due to absence of weapons of mass destruction. War leads to world war and mostly war takes place due to territorial disputes as the point suggests we need to take territorial disputes seriously. Under UN countries can establish a new UN organ that will primarily focus to address the territorial disputes and give solution to the territorial disputes all across the globe.

Tensions between countries will remain till infinity but by maturity we can successfully avoid any world war in coming future.

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