

International Relations Paper 2

Past Paper Questions

2014

Critically evaluate the joining of Western Alliances (SEATO & CENTO) by Pakistan and explain its political, economic and strategic consequences for the state's policy.

Q. No. 7. Do you support the argument that Iran-US nuclear deal will bring a new wave of instability in the region and can also cause serious implications for global non-proliferation regime?

Q. No. 8. Do you agree that the post-Cold War international scenario has generated more constraints than opportunities for Pakistan's foreign policy? If so, what those? Suggest measures enabling Pakistan to face the 'new challenges'.

2013

Q.3. How far was Germany responsible for the outbreak of war in 1914? (20)

Q.4. Analyse the causes and events of the Arab Israeli war of 1967? What were its implications? (20)

Q.5. What nuclear proliferation concerns have stemmed from the dissolution of the Soviet Union? Has the western world been able to address these concerns? (20)

Q.8. Elucidate the significance of NATO during the Cold War and discuss whether it is still useful for European security in the contemporary era? (20)

Q.4- In what ways was the Versailles treaty a contributory factor to European political instability in the period 1919-39?

Q.5- Elucidate the impact of World War II on the decolonization process in Asia.

Q.6- Describe the efforts of African National Congress against Apartheid regime of South Africa.

Q.7- Carry out a comparative analysis of US foreign policy towards South Asia during and after the Cold war.

2012

4. Critically discuss "Pakistan's participation in SEATO and CENTO " and explain political, strategic, and economic causes and define its potential disadvantages for the country's foreign policy and diplomacy.

5. Discuss "Nationalism" and define its silent features in the post cold war situation and explain its grave consequences with reference to eastern Europe, African continent and South Asian tragic incidents. Also debate whether the UN and superpowers played any role in preventing bloodbath in the regions.

6.. Discuss the strategic importance of "Indian ocean" in the post cold war scenario and analyze the role of the United States and China in the region. Also identify vital political, economic, and strategic interests of both great powers in the contemporary geopolitical situation.

7. Critically Define " American interests in Afghanistan" and explain its political strategic failure in the region and its unnecessary pressure on Pakistan to "do more" which can destabilize the regional scenario rather than stabilizing the situation. Also discuss the serious impact of the American war on terror on the Pakistan's state, Society and system.

2011

Q.4. Discuss and explain the causes of World War II. Could a different policy by Britain, France and USA have avoided its occurrence?

Q.5. Discuss the significance and increasing role of International Society in the classically sovereign domains of state with reference to United Nations. Also debate whether the UN in its present structure of status can play the increased role expected of it?

Q.7. Discuss and analyze the role of Soviet Union during the Cold War. Was it a stabilizing or destabilizing factor in International Relations? Elaborate your answer with reference to theory and facts.

Q.8. Explain why, despite being target of terrorism, Pakistan's international allies often publicly express dissatisfaction with Pakistan's counter terrorism policy and actions ? Is this a failure of Pakistani diplomacy or weakness in its policy? Identify the fault and

suggest corrective measures, if required.

2010

Q5. Explain the socio-economic and Political Compulsions which led to the formation of Regional Blocs.

Q6. "After the downfall of Colonialism. The western Powers have embarked upon a new policy of "Economic Imperialism" through IMF, World Bank, Multi-nationals and WTO". Do you agree? Substantiate

Q7. " The Kashmir problem has been mishandled from the beginning and every successive Government in Pakistan has contributed to that". Critically explain the statement.

Q8. "The Al- Qaeeda phobia has made USA a neurotic Super Power. She is disregarding the norms of International Law and Diplomacy". Make your comments by a brief survey of US Global Policy.

2009

Q.4. Critically discuss the origin and developments of the cold war and its consequences on world politics.

Q.6. What factors were responsible for the creation of the WARSAW and NATO pacts? Can NATO's continuing existence be justified?

Q.7. Critically evaluate American foreign policy towards Pakistan.

Q.8. What is nuclear proliferation? How far the United states of America is justified in making a nuclear deal with India?

2008

Q.2. The emergency of sovereign state as a primary actor was just the beginning of the evolution of modern International System. Assess the pace of change in International Relations from 1815 to 1914. (20)

Q.6. Since South Asia has been dominated by the antagonism between India and Pakistan, what impact do nuclear weapons have on the balance of power in the region. (20)

Q.7. Terrorism has compelled every one to think, “No one can be trusted and every one is to be feared.” Discuss an appropriate response to Domestic and International terrorism. (20)

Q.8. How effective the UN in dealing with global problems. What will the International System look like in the year 2050? (20)

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