



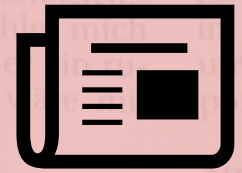
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The History of Israel-Palestine War: It's impact on World Peace.

The Israeli-Palestinian conflict dates back to the end of the 19th century. On May 14, 1948, the State of Israel was created, sparking the first Arab-Israeli War. Israel's founding father David Ben-Gurion proclaimed the State of Israel, establishing a haven for Jews fleeing persecution and seeking a national home. During World War I, the Mandate for Palestine included a binding obligation for the "establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people". Tensions grew into open sectarian conflict between Jews and Arabs. The 1947 UN Partition Plan for Palestine was never implemented and provoked the 1947–1949 Palestine War. The current Israeli-Palestinian status quo began following Israeli military occupation of the West Bank and Gaza in the 1967 Six-Day War, known as the Palestinian territories. The war ended with Israel's victory, but 750,000 Palestinians were displaced, and the territory was divided into 3 parts: the State of Israel, the West Bank, and the Gaza Strip.

Following the outbreak of war between Israel and Hamas on October 7, 2023, President Joe Biden made a strong statement of support for Israel. On the same day that Israel declared war against the terrorist group, the United States announced that it would send renewed shipments of arms and move its Mediterranean Sea warships closer to Israel. While the UNSC called an emergency meeting to discuss the renewed violence, the members failed to come to a consensus statement. Given the history of brutality when Israel and Palestinian groups have fought in the past, international groups expressed concern for the safety of civilians in Israel and the Palestinian territories and those held hostage by militants in Gaza. In the first two days of fighting, approximately 800 Israelis and 500 Palestinians were killed.

While the United States did not immediately confirm reports that Iranian intelligence and security forces directly helped Hamas plan its October 7 attack, Iran has a patronage relationship with Hamas and other extremist groups across the Middle East. In addition to worries that the attacks were a signal from Iran that it is prepared to escalate its malign influence in various Middle Eastern conflicts, experts have expressed concern that another extremist group with Iranian backing, Hezbollah, will be drawn into the war, thereby expanding the conflict beyond Israeli and Palestinian borders. Various attempts have been made to resolve the conflict as part of the Israeli-Palestinian peace process, alongside other efforts to resolve the broader Arab-Israeli conflict. A 2023 effort by the United States to help broker a normalization accord between Israel and Saudi Arabia was thrown into chaos by the October conflict. Saudi Arabia has long advocated for the rights and safety of Palestinian Arab populations in Israel, the West Bank, and Gaza.

The October 2023 conflict between Israel and Hamas marks the most significant escalation of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict in several decades.

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INDIA-CANADA TIES AT LOGGERHEADS

The relationship between India and Canada, historically characterized by diplomatic cooperation, has encountered challenges in recent years. Tensions have emerged, impacting international relations. This article focuses on the implications of these disagreements on the international stage and the economic consequences for both nations. As this article unfolds, we will explore the ramifications of these disputes on international relations, where India and Canada have historically played significant roles in promoting global cooperation. Additionally, we will delve into the economic impact of these tensions, scrutinizing how investment issues have affected the economic landscapes of both nations and how these ramifications extend to the international stage. In doing so, we aim to provide a comprehensive analysis of the current state of India-Canada ties and their potential to find common ground and restore their mutually beneficial relationship. In recent years, the relationship between India and Canada has taken an unexpected turn, showing signs of strain. Historically, these two nations have shared democratic values, engaged in international cooperation, and enjoyed economic exchanges. However, disagreements on several fronts have disrupted this once-harmonious relationship, casting a shadow on their international relations.

1. Trade Disputes: Economic Ramifications: Trade between India and Canada has faced roadblocks due to trade disputes. Canada has expressed concerns about India's restrictive trade policies, particularly in agriculture and dairy. This has led to a strain on economic relations, with Canada seeking market access for its products. The trade issues not only impede economic growth but also affect partnerships.

2. Implications for International Diplomacy: The strained relationship between India and Canada has implications on the international diplomatic stage. Both nations have been supporters of a rules-based international order, peacekeeping, and sustainable development. Their disagreements can hinder the efforts to address global challenges, like climate change, counterterrorism, and peacekeeping missions. Collaborative international efforts could be undermined by disputes.

3. The Path Forward: India and Canada must engage in open and constructive dialogues to address trade disputes, investor concerns, and market access issues. Resolving these economic challenges is not only vital for the two nations but also for international diplomacy, where they have historically played significant roles in addressing global issues.

In conclusion, while India and Canada may be at loggerheads in the realm of international relations and economics, their shared commitment to democratic values and global cooperation provides a path toward reconciliation. By resolving economic issues, both countries can rebuild a harmonious relationship that serves their interests on the international stage, ultimately contributing to addressing global challenges effectively.

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THE MARVELOUS SUCCESS OF INDIA AT THE ASIAN GAMES 2023: WHETHER AN EMPOWERING SPORTS POLICY IS THE NEED OF THE HOUR?

India's stellar performance at the Asian games, where they secured a total of 107 medals, including an impressive haul of 28 gold medals, along with progress in poverty alleviation and other socio-economic factors, meticulous planning, and greater budgetary allocations have helped Indian athletes rack up impressive wins across different sporting events. India's rise in sports is growing concurrently with the rise in its soft power. From hosting the 2017 FIFA U-17 World Cup, 2023 Men's FIH Hockey World Cup to the 2023 ODI Cricket World Cup, India is exerting its influence holistically. Domestically, stellar sports performance has vital consequences. A country that can win more medals in sports is also able to foster talent in other areas, enabling social mobility. This is visible in India's case. The ability to offer enhanced focus to sports, especially those that are not often considered "mainstream", is an assertion of India's swift pace for the fulfilment of the development goals. Once challenged to provide for all basic needs, India now boasts the surplus resources required to invest in sports development and cast a wide net to harness a potential talent pool. However, more concerted efforts are needed to make sports a mass movement. As we look towards the Paris 2024 Olympics, despite the different categories of sports, it would come as no surprise if India continues to shine on the global sporting stage. However, the effectiveness of these policies mustn't lead us to overlook the gaps that still require attention. Sports governing bodies, such as those for table tennis, football, and boxing, have faced numerous issues. Furthermore, the availability of proper sports infrastructure, particularly in educational institutions and in underdeveloped states, remains severely limited. While there has been an increase in sports infrastructure, often matching international standards, it's primarily concentrated in a handful of states like Haryana, Punjab, and Karnataka. Moreover, the issue of underutilization of resources and infrastructure persists. For instance, the Standing Committee on Human Resource Development noted in 2019 that, despite substantial allocations of Rs 520 crore and Rs 500 crore to the Khelo India scheme in 2018-19 and 2019-20, the actual expenditure was only Rs 324 crore and Rs 318 crore. Other challenges include a shortage of coaching staff, gender disparities, and difficulties in attracting support from the private sector. There is still much work to be done.

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Fukushima Water Release: A Controversial Decision with Far-reaching Implications for Nature and Wildlife

Global concerns about the consequences on the environment have been triggered by Japan's recent decision to discharge over a million tonnes of radioactive water into the Pacific Ocean from the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear reactor. This controversial action has drawn conflicting reactions from other nations, particularly China, and it will have adverse impacts on nature and wildlife. Japan contends that there are relatively minimal risks to the environment and public health from the treated water, which contains tritium. They maintain that it's an imperative action to lessen the continued danger imposed by the water's storage tanks, which are reaching their limit. However, China and South Korea have also voiced their vehement opposition to the plan, citing worries about potential health hazards and environmental harm. The long-term consequences of tritium on marine life remain not fully comprehended, considering the reality that it is regarded as a weak radioactive isotope. It may migrate up in the food chain and have an impact on both fish and those who consume them.

The decision has severe implications for coastal ecosystems. The ingestion of this contaminated water could change the water's salinity, chemistry, and temperature, thereby affecting seagrass beds, marine life, and coral reefs. The livelihoods of coastal residents and the local marine biodiversity may be seriously damaged by such upheavals.

The Fukushima water spill serves as a reminder of the necessity of global cooperation and attention to particulars in nuclear safety. It highlights the obligations involved in handling nuclear disasters' complications and the need to pursue cleaner, more sustainable energy sources in order to avert similar crises. In order to determine the situation's impact on the environment and wildlife, everyone involved must closely monitor it.

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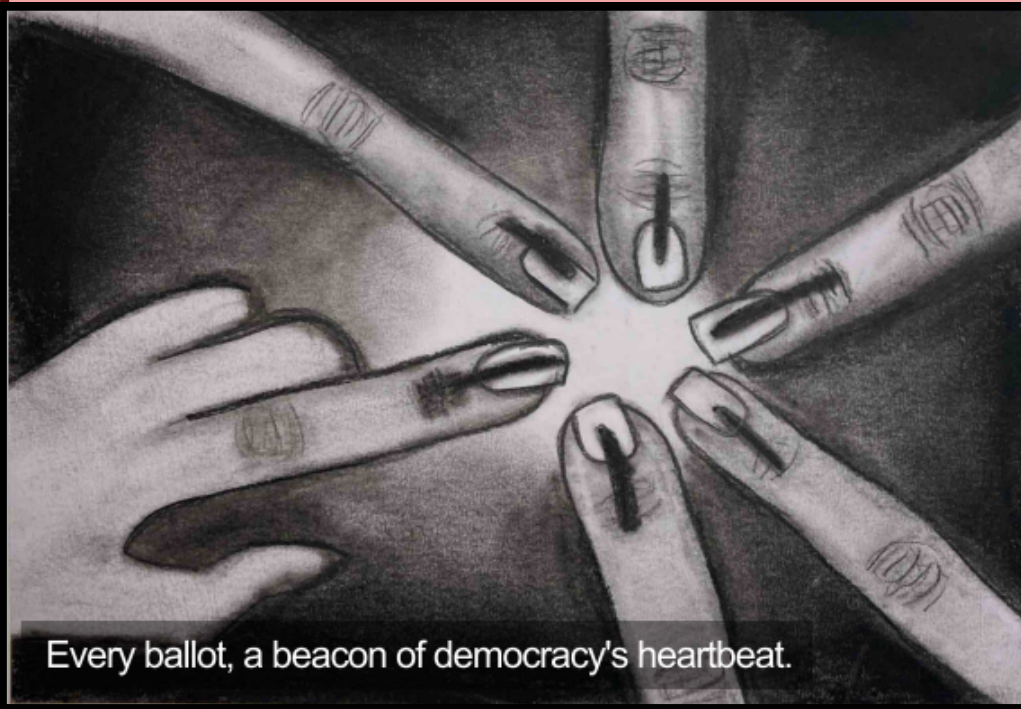
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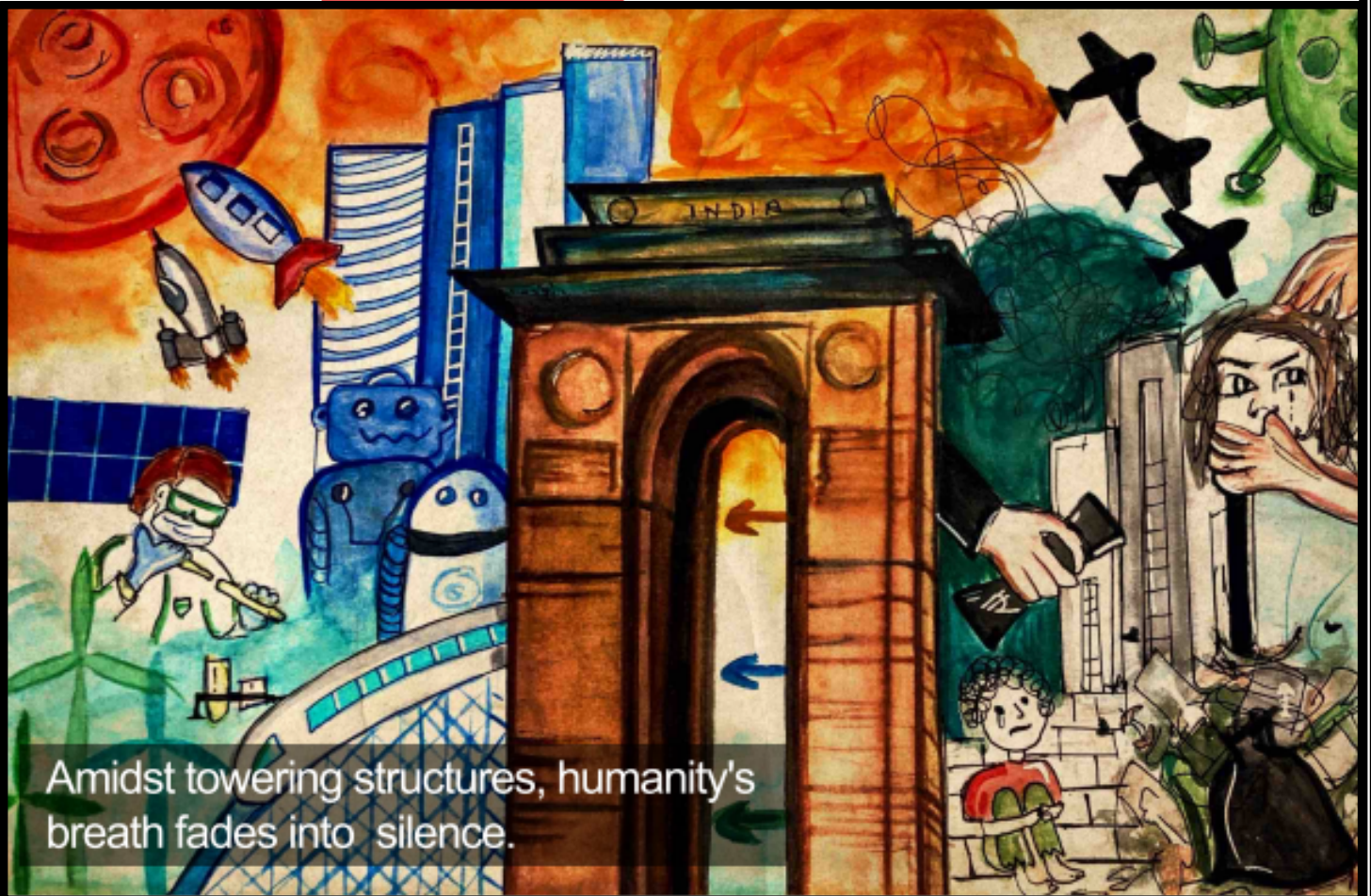
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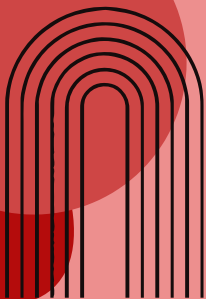
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