

WORLD WAR 3: A DELICATE BALANCE



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Today, when we start our TV to watch any news channel, one though very important news now does not grab our attention. I am talking about the wars going around the world. Today, the world is marked by heightened tensions, regional conflicts, and geopolitical complexities. Looking at the multiple conflicts, are we in a zone of World War III. I worry, the way, WW II was ended by nuclear weapon being used for the very first and last time, human race do not end-up with same mistakes.

Russia-Ukraine Conflict: The ongoing Russia-Ukrainian war has escalated with Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Untill now this has remained a localized conflict, albeit with broader implications. The international community is closely monitors developments. Though it hasn't spiralled into a world war but if we look at it, it is by and large a war between countries of western world, which include US and European Region at one side vs. Russia, the largest country of the world, its allies like Belarus, China on another side. Though the US is not directly involved in the conflict, but merely because of its financial and military hardware support, the war which was predicted to get over in a week time, is been fought from last two years.

Then on another continent, we have Gaza-Israel War. The longstanding Israeli-Palestinian conflict continues to cause suffering. While it's a regional issue, it hasn't ignited a global war. Yet, the situation remains volatile, demanding diplomatic efforts. This war is now no more limited to two nation, it has on one side Arab nations fighting for Gaza rights and on another side, again western countries especially the US supporting Israel.

With Iran's getting involved, the geo-politics has become very complex and on the edge.

China-Taiwan-India Border Tensions: Though, these territorial disputes have remained localized and haven't escalated to a war like situation, but two biggest military nations regularly having boarder disputes, and with the US's so called military protection to Taiwan can escalate to full fledge war. Diplomacy is very essential to prevent any escalation. The human race can no more afford wars.

The International Order:

Presently the global order is under strain. As such, these conflicts impact all the nations, they aren't at existential risks. However, we should be deeply be concerned about the fraying international order.

Escalation Risks:

There is a potential of a spark igniting World War. Countries like Israel, its allies, including the UK and the US, need to urge restraint.

How world can avoid World War III:

- **Diplomacy:** Robust diplomatic efforts are crucial. Engaging in dialogue, de-escalation talks, and conflict resolution mechanisms can prevent further deterioration.
- **International Cooperation:** Nations must collaborate to address common challenges. Multilateral institutions play a vital role in maintaining stability. We need stronger and effective UN like charter, which are binding and acceptable by all the nations. Leaders should respect such charter and should few elite group should not be able to control it.
- **Nuclear Restraint:** The specter of nuclear weapons looms large. Strict adherence to arms control agreements and disarmament efforts is essential.
- **Conflict Prevention:** Identifying flashpoints and addressing them proactively can prevent escalation.
- **Public Awareness:** Educating the public about the risks and consequences of global conflict fosters a collective commitment to peace.

I am hopeful our world leaders will learn from the mistakes we have done in past and they will surly not repeat those. Let's hope we will see a bright light at the end of tunnel very soon.

Thank you all..... Always in Gratitude

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