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# War happens when language fails

'War', A whirlwind of many unreasonable storms. What is it for? Does the question even matter? Why the nation is in a quench of what will betray what is humane? War is an everytime catastrophic crisis which would dismantle the very existence of all nations. What indeed is catalysing the hostility between nations setting off raging fires? Where does the crux of the problem lie? Is it something related to the language we utter? In this 21<sup>st</sup> century we are bound to facing unprecedented challenges which is altering the traditional landscape of our nation. This essay examines the very reasons for



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the outbreak of wars and its interconnection with language.

What exactly is a language language?

Language is indeed not just a medium of communication. It holds wide range of meanings when viewed from different perspectives. Language can imply the language of love, care and concern, language of humanity, language of worldly moral values, language of relation, language of anger, language of enmity and what not. The crux of the issue lies in interpreting it. The words that one person utters can create drastic changes in another's life. It is indeed a medium that connects people irrespective of caste, creed, gender and race. But what exactly is happening now? Is it uttered in the way it



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should it be uttered? Language encapsulates the core of what it means to be human when viewed from a vivid perspective. The underlying issue is the way it is misused and manipulated by individuals according to their individual preferences. Language often portrays the miserable and sophisticated life that each individual suffers. It is often exacerbated by the man's miscellaneous capabilities which itself is the reason for many unpleasant outbreaks. Language helps us to unleash the potential within ourselves and uncovers our true self. Language is the most powerful weapon on earth. It can create or ruin empires with just one word. Its capability is nonmeasurable. It often leads to the depletion of mankind who itself created and misused it. If we harness the true potential



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of language it can create milestones not just constructive but also destructive.

Interselation between wars and language  
Wars have always been a bawies to humanity. It is often aroused from the greedy attitude of people which causes widespread damage and destruction. War happens not only between worldly nations, but also can arise between individuals.

What has language got to do with wars?

The question is indeed unreasonable. Language which was constructed to make life easier indeed made it most miserable. In this modern era, we have confronted many wars regardless of humane values.

\* The language of love: Language is an intricate tapestry of feelings and emotions. Just a word can spread hatred and love.



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It's often the mere need of worldly gain that people ~~to~~ misinterpret the language of love. The very absence of this language often set's off hailstorms. Socrates once said 'The true wisdom lies in realising you know nothing'. His words prove very ~~soon~~ relevant in this present era. People claim themselves the sovereign and demolish the life of others without mercy. This happens ~~then~~ when the language of love fails.

\* The language of empathy: It's the language of empathy that still runs the world. But it is now serving as a conduit of harm. People often misjudge ~~and~~ ~~and~~ this language. When a nation is completely dethroned a few words of empathy can help rescue its whole soul. But what is happening instead? It's used to further destroy the rotten soul of



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of a nation. It is indeed interpreted for each one's greedy need. For instance, when two nations are in devastating and horrible fight, a third nation is often seemed supporting one nation not out of any empathy, but to achieve their goal by gambling with ~~the~~ <sup>that</sup> other nation. We have many paradigm's in history where the intrusion of a third party has completely teased a the competing nations. For instant, we have seen the formation of alliances in world war 2. It is clear from the example that the misinterpretation of the language of empathy even worsen the existing situation. But at the same time the right interpretation will help eradicate the root cause of wars.

\* Language of greed : The very use of language of greed is indeed the root cause of many of the ~~wordly~~ wordly wars. The greed for money,



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fame, reputation, power and resources is the main fuelling agent of war. The twisted words of greed creates misunderstanding and hence create widespread damage and destruction.

Its effect is multifaceted. From simple fights to complex and terrible war between nation it can create hurricane. But at the same time the destruction of this language brings peace.

It is the mere need for wealth and power that provoke individuals to exacerbate the

problem between themselves. Martin Luther King once said, 'The most <sup>challenging</sup> ~~consistent~~ and persistent

question to mankind is that, 'what you have done for others' ? Our just actions are the

only persistent things that will offer us a place in the memory of others. So instead of

indulging into these sort of things, it better to do our best for the betterment of the



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nation.

Where does the catastrophic war's arise from?

It is often the failure of above mentioned language that results it in serious injuries. But these are a just tip of an iceberg. The search of wealth and resources always results in war's. For instance the ~~World~~ World war I, World war II, Russia-Ukraine war, Israel-Palestine war, India-Pakistan war and many more. Though secularism has gained prominence, it has not achieved it's true potential. The disparity between rich and poor and the disparity between different caste arises due to lack of proper usage of words which itself is the reason for the outbreak of wars. If the language is correctly used then there would exist equality among people which will result in a more peaceful nation. If it is often the base use of correct words at the





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right time that stimulates the problems.

### Outcome of War

'Wars' though performed to attain wealth, power and prosperity actually result in disastrous losses which cannot be recouped. It is a growing menace that requires urgent attention. As Gandhi said

'An eye for an eye, will make the world blind!'

But do we strictly adhere to his words? Damage, destruction and death is the outcome of every war.

When war strikes all the lifeline support system such as communication, healthcare, transport etc are lost. Healthcare and hospitals are put

under severe ~~stress~~ stress. Life almost comes to a standstill. Commercial and economic activities

are lost. The psychological trauma caused by these disasters is unbearable. The latest

world disaster report suggest that disasters has increased both in intensity and frequency.



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It is high time to create a war-free and resilient world.

How to mitigate these wars?

Though we cannot avert to any of these disasters, by investing in rehabilitation and technology we can reduce the impact of these disasters. Moreover the corrective usage of words at the right instant can foster connectivity and humanity. Just a few words of kindness can completely alter the present situation. Language which is meant to foster connectivity should help human build relations instead of breaking the bond. When the person in need is assisted by lending a helping hand by speaking a few words can change the entire way of their life. Human's are not impeccable. The problem lies in correcting our mistake and moving further by illuminating positivity.



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When a person under lot of stress finds an outlet for his worries. It relieves half his burden. Let us be a 'Horigalen' in someone's life. Same is the case between nations. Mutual respect and cooperation will make the world a better place to live. By solving the anonymity that exist between nations by leveraging the power of language can we build a sustainable world. The major issue that stands in the pathway to peace is the greed of nations to attain the whole sovereignty of the world. By utilizing the maximum potential of language to solve issues and foster connectivity can we build a peaceful nation. By scrutinizing the various capabilities that the language can offer, can we build a resilient future. As Abraham Lincoln once said 'The best way to predict future is to create it'. Therefore by unleashing the true potential of language inspite instead of misinte



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misinterpreting it we can create a better world where all countries can reap the benefits of serving each other. What is needed is a concerted and collaborative effort from individuals, institutions and government. The key to success is action and the essential in action is perseverance' as quoted by 'Sun Yat Sen'. War happens when language fails, so let us strive forward to using language not just as a medium of communication, but also as a medium of transmission of our thoughts, emotions and our true self. As Gandhi said, Keep your thoughts positive because your thoughts transform into your <sup>words</sup> ~~action~~ and keep your words positive because your words transform into your action. So let us all strive forward for a nation devoid of wars. The cultural and regional differences often reflect in our words. But let's not give it a way for the origin of wars.