In the Evil Game of Imperialists - India Abstentions in UNO

The Health Ministry in Gaza, which is under the control of Hamas, reports that more than 8,000 Palestinians have lost their lives since the conflict and on stands at 8,005 Palestinians, including over 3,300 minors and more than 2,000 women. In the same timeframe, over 1,400 people were killed in Hamas's attacks in Israel.

The United States presents its resolution to the United Nations Security Council advocating for military intervention. India will determine its course of action based on or in alignment with these resolutions. The people of India did not endorse India's non-aligned stance during the conflict between Palestine and Israel.

US has Used its Veto Power:

On at least 34 occasions, the United States has utilized its veto power to thwart UN Security Council resolutions that contained criticism of Israel. Just last week, the United Nations Security Council faced a failure to pass a resolution concerning the ongoing situation in Gaza. This occurred as member states rejected two competing draft resolutions.

Russia and China vetoed a US-drafted resolution that called for "humanitarian pauses" and Israel's right to defend itself. A second draft resolution sponsored by Russia, which called for a humanitarian ceasefire, failed to garner enough votes to pass. The United States was expected to veto the resolution had it garnered enough votes to put it on the path to approval.

This was the second UNSC draft resolution put to vote since the Israel-Palestine war started three weeks ago. The first one was held on October 18, when the US blocked a resolution calling for "humanitarian pauses". Twelve countries voted in favour.

Resolution Drafted by Arab States in UNGA:

The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) has voted overwhelmingly in favour of a resolution drafted by the Arab states calling for an immediate humanitarian truce between Israel and the Palestinian. A total of 120 countries voted in favour of the resolution, 14 countries voted against including Israel and the United States, while 45 others abstained. Among the abstentions was Canada, which had introduced an amendment that would have more explicitly condemned Hamas for its October 7 "terrorist" attack on Israel and demanded the immediate release of hostages seized by the group.

Speaking before the vote, Jordanian Foreign Minister Ayman Safadi said that voting against the resolution "means approving this senseless war, this senseless killing". Israel denounced the vote as "infamy".

The body convened as Israel intensified its bombardment on Gaza, where phone and internet service have been cut off and Israel has engaged in limited ground skirmishes before an expected invasion.

The General Assembly voted after the UN Security Council had failed to take action over two weeks, with the US and Russia using their veto powers to block proposals supported by the other.

The adopted resolution calls for an "immediate, durable and sustained humanitarian truce leading to a cessation of hostilities" and "firmly rejects any attempts at the forced transfer of the Palestinian civilian population".

India Abstention:

India abstained from voting during the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) resolution. It explains its decision to abstain from the vote by noting that the resolution does not address the October 7 attack on Israel by Hamas. The primary cause for the absence can be attributed to India aligning with American objectives.

Palestinians have been launching attacks on Israel as a means to protect their self-esteem and ensure their survival. Therefore, the people of India express their solidarity with the suffering Palestinian population and call on the Government of India to reconsider its stance on the Israel-Palestine conflict.