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Peace

Theme: UN, Great Powers And World Peace

Populism, nationalism, racism and xenophobia along with the rampant terrorism is on the increase in US, Europe and other parts of the world. This dangerous phenomenon is not only undermining the legitimacy of UN but also liberal and international values. Great powers are pursuing the right-wing militaristic agenda, endangering world peace.

People often refer to United Nations (UN) as a talking shop, irrelevant organisation or a toothless tiger needing revitalisation and urgent reforms. The charter of the United Nations envisages a future in which its main purpose is to 'Save succeeding generations from the scourge of war.' Admittedly, no world war has been fought since 1945 but there have been continuous warfare and interventions in many regions of the world, killing hundreds of millions including civilians and UN has been incapable in bringing peace in those regions as in Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Libya and Yemen.

In 2018, the world spent an all-time high of \$1.82 trillion on military. That's equivalent to about a thousand dollars per family on the planet. Yet, all these weapons and wars have not made the world less violent. It is scandalous that the permanent five members of the United Nations Security Council (USA, UK, China, Russia and France) are also the top five arms sellers.

Created after the 2nd World War in 1945, UN not only needs to contain big power rivalries, tackle gross human right violations, mitigate climate change and escalating inequality but also undertake urgent reforms to be representative, effective, accountable, transparent and democratic body. What will be those major reforms and how will they be implemented?

Distinguished speakers from across the board with the special knowledge of how United Nations work will explore, analyse and put forward proposals how UN can become a relevant organisation fit enough to tackle the huge threats and challenges of 21st Century.

Registration

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