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Deliberations and Outcomes of the 79th Session of the UNGA

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The summit, marking the 79th session of the UNGA, saw leaders addressing crises such as the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, the war in Ukraine, and violence in Sudan, among other geopolitical concerns. However, beyond immediate crises, deliberations focused heavily on the long-term future of global governance and international cooperation.

One year to Gaza Carnage: Role of Arab states and International Community

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One-year anniversary of Israel's brutality in Gaza marks on October 7th 2024 and we as a part of international community have failed to put it to a halt. One year after the genocidal assault on Gaza, as a moral imperative, the international community is under compulsion to act. Arab states must reconsider their strategic priorities and consider the rights and lives of Palestinians as valuable.



This Week in Law & Security

- Pakistan has called on the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) to thoroughly investigate the "recurring" incidents of theft and illicit sale of nuclear and other radioactive materials in neighbouring India. A recent Indian media report said that police had arrested three smugglers in the western Gopalganj district of Bihar with a rare Californium stone which is highly radioactive and fetches a high price in the international market.
- The Punjab government has imposed Section 144 in Rawalpindi till October 17 to maintain the law and order situation during the upcoming Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit. Exercising powers vested under Section 144, the provincial government prohibited all kinds of political assemblies, gatherings, sit-ins, rallies, demonstrations, pillion riding, aerial firing, pigeon flying, use of drones and use of laser lights from October 10 to 17 in the district.

Is India's Nuclear Program Safe Enough?

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The Indian Nuclear program is facing concerns over its safety including the potential for accidents, natural disasters, and security threats such as buying and selling of radioactive materials in the black market.

Can UN still claim its role of Global Peacemaking?

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The United Nations has long ceased to function as the global peacemaker it was intended to be. The ongoing Indian cruel acts in Kashmir, following Russia-Ukraine conflicts with the latest Israel's aggression against Palestine having an extended out-reach to Lebanon, Syria, and Yemen reveal that the UN, while designed as a beacon of diplomacy and peace, is faltering in its ability to resolve international disputes.

Role of ICJ and the Gaza Conflict

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The International Court of Justice has a notable function when it comes to the Gaza conflict, however its decisions are non-binding in nature which considerably reduces their impact on the nations in question and the world in general. Some key elements regarding its involvement in the conflict involve its advisory opinions and it is invoking humanitarian law in the light of this issue.

- In its 'Pakistan Development Update: The Dynamics of Power Sector Distribution Reform' report, the World Bank identified the International Monetary Fund (IMF) programme, external financing and higher electricity tariffs as some of the major challenges faced by Pakistan's economy. The bank, therefore, warned that Pakistan's macroeconomic projections heavily rely on the continuation of the Washington-based lender's programme and securing the additional external financing.
- Protests have erupted in Balochistan's District Duki after at least 20 miners were killed and seven left injured in a rocket attack on coal mines in the area, the latest incident of violence in the southwestern province.
- The US government is considering seeking the break-up of the world's biggest search engine, Google, which it accuses of causing "pernicious harms" to Americans. The Department of Justice (DOJ) has been considering so-called remedies since a landmark court ruling in August which found Google illegally crushed its competition in online search.
- Pakistan Peoples Party Chairman Bilawal Bhutto-Zardari has said that the government wants to get constitutional amendments passed before October 25, but doing so before the said date is "neither a necessity nor obligatory".
- A high-level Saudi business and investment delegation has arrived in Pakistan amid expectations that Riyadh and Islamabad will ink bilateral agreements worth \$2 billion. The delegation led by Saudi Arabia's Minister of Investment Khalid Al-Falih arrived in Pakistan ahead of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit in Islamabad later this month.