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"ROLE OF STATE AND NON STATE ACTORS"

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ABSTRACT

The concept of state is very important in the world politics. A state is the most important political institution in the society. So the state is the principal actors of the world politics. But they are not the only actors beside the state is now occupied also by a group of non-conventional players popularly known by the non state actors. They have made their presence fact in various spheres of world politics. They often influence the course of international affairs, manipulate multilateral decisions and in some extreme cases can even supersede the state policies and programmers, for convenient understanding non-state actors may be classified into three groups 1.MNC 2. IGO and 3. NGO. An MNC is a business organization in a particular country with offices and factories in several others state, the MNC are gaining status and influence due to several reasons among them globalization and weaknesses the nation-state system. IGO (inter -governmental organization) are a very large grouping of different national government, the UN system is one of the most prominent examples of an IGO other important IGO are the WTO, EU, ASEAN. Among the non-state actors NGO are slowly assuming prominence in international affairs. They are mainly non - profit oriented organization, private in nature. Apart from the recognized and accepted religious non-state actors like VHP, the Imams, and several fundamental groups thriving on religious sentiments have proliferated in recent times. The paper sheds the light on the growth of these non-state actors challenges and weakens the state-centric concept of IR and how the non-state actors recently influence states, foreign policies including the great powers and consequently play an important role in international politics.

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