

Review of: "Geopolitical constructs of international politics - their cultural & ideological roots"

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Geopolitical constructs of international politics - their cultural & ideological roots by Badrun Amershi

This is an interesting short paper which covers important aspects of contemporary world. The intention of author is to show that historically and culturally narrow conceptualizations need to be extended for a useful explanations and feasible solutions. The discrepancies in the present multi polar world on various laws including the "Law of the Seas" have been highlighted.

The author considers the contemporary world in a highly complex and dynamics structure. He referred that most of the studies to explain the global political changes are constructed on specific cultural, historical and geographical experiences based on the "Westphalian Peace Model". According to him, the disturbances in today's world include a myriad of cultures, regions, and historical experiences.

Despite its usefulness and merits, the study has some limitations. The author has followed a deductive approach with qualitative methodology. It is nice in arguments and logical reasoning. Based on empirical evidences, some quantitative work can strengthen the conclusions. The main area of this study is international relations and entire conclusions and recommendations are derived from history and socio-cultural perspectives. This study ignores the key economic factors which play an important role in determination of the nature of relations among the nations. The author should reconcile this study with the 'Theory of participations', 'Domino effects' and 'Dependency theory'. In this way the historical and cultural aspects will reconcile with the economic and technological advancement factors.