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What is six-day war and why was it fought? How has this war shaped history of the modern world? (250 words)

Approach

Approach

- Briefly explain about the Six-Day war in the introduction.
- Mention the causes and the immediate reasons that triggered the war.
- Explain how it impacted the geopolitical situation in the Middle East and the rest of the world.

Introduction

The Six-Day War was a brief but bloody conflict fought in June 1967 between Israel and the Arab states of Egypt, Syria and Jordan. This war led to the emergence of Israel as a significant power in the region and shocked the Arab world of the severity of their defeat.

Body

The six day war can be considered as a consequence of several decades of political tension and military conflict between Israel and the Arab states.

The roots of the war lay in the very **creation of Israel in 1948**, which was followed by the First Arab-Israeli War. This also created Palestinian refugee crisis aggrieved by the military conflict.

Further conflict erupted in **1956** in the form of **Suez crisis** after the nationalization of the Suez Canal by Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser. Hence, the Six-Day war can be seen as a consequential step of the ongoing geo-political rift in the Middle East.

Some of the other direct major **causes of the war** were:

- Cross border attacks in 1960s by Syrian-backed Palestinian guerillas against the Israel Defense Forces.
- Israel-Syria air and artillery engagement in April 1967.
- Amassing of troops by Egypt towards Sinai Peninsula. This was after Soviet Union

intelligence inputs and in apprehension of a full scale invasion by Israel near its northern border with Syria.

- Support of USSR for the modernization of Egyptian and Syrian armies.
- In May 1967, Egypt banned Israeli shipping from the Straits of Tiran, the sea passage connecting the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aqaba.

All these events led the Israel Defense Forces to initiate **Operation Focus**, a coordinated aerial attack on Egypt on June 5, 1967. This marked the beginning of the Six-Day war in the form of fierce air and artillery warfare.

The war ended with a U.N.-brokered ceasefire. However, it significantly altered the map of the Middle East and gave rise to other geopolitical tensions. Below are further **consequences of the war**:

- **Israel seized the Sinai Peninsula and the Gaza Strip** from Egypt, the **West Bank and East Jerusalem** from Jordan, and the **Golan Heights** from Syria.
- This put a question mark on the capabilities of Arab world. They met in Sudan in August 1967 and signed a resolution that promised “no peace, no recognition and no negotiation” with Israel.
- Led by Egypt and Syria, the Arab states later launched a fourth major conflict with Israel during **1973’s Yom Kippur War**.
- Capturing West Bank and Gaza strip worsened the **Palestinian refugee crisis**. This laid the groundwork for ongoing political turmoil and violence in the region.

Since 1967, the lands Israel seized in the Six-Day War have been at the center of efforts to end the Arab-Israeli conflict. Even though Israel returned the Sinai Peninsula to Egypt in 1982 and withdrew from Gaza in 2005, the status of the Golan Heights and the West Bank continues to be a stumbling block in Arab-Israeli peace negotiations.

Conclusion

The violence of the conflict has been the object of numerous international conferences at UN platforms. This has divided the modern world in dealing with historic rights, security issues and human rights of the Palestinians. While the Arab world generally supported the Palestinian cause, the western world led by USA always supported Israel’s claims in the region.

Hence, the conflict continues to shape the history of the modern world in the form of ongoing geopolitical tensions like the one between US and Iran, the leader of the Muslim world.

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show_social_float_icons(); }); var box = document.getElementById('float-plus'); $('float-plus').mousedown(function(){ const body = document.body; box.style.transition = "all 0s ease 0s"; body.style.overflow = "hidden"; body.style.pointerEvents = "auto"; }); $('float-plus').mouseup(function(){ const body = document.body; body.style.overflow = "auto"; body.style.pointerEvents = "auto"; box.style.transition = "all 1s ease 0s"; var screen_width = window.innerWidth; var screen_width = parseInt(screen_width, 10) var current_location = box.style.left; var current_location = parseInt(current_location, 10) var screen_middle = (screen_width/2); var xx = (screen_width*0.04); var x = (screen_width*0.009); if(current_location > screen_middle){ box.style.left = (screen_width-xx) + 'px'; } else { box.style.left = x + 'px'; } }); // For MOBILE TOUCH - DRAGGABLE box.addEventListener('touchstart', function(e) { box.style.transition = "all 0s ease 0s"; }); box.addEventListener('touchmove', function(e) { e.preventDefault(); box.style.transform = "translate(-50%, -50%)"; var touchLocation = e.targetTouches[0]; box.style.left = (touchLocation.pageX-window.scrollX) + 'px'; box.style.top = (touchLocation.pageY-window.scrollY) + 'px'; }); box.addEventListener('touchend', function(e) { box.style.transition = "all 1s ease 0s"; var screen_width = screen.width; var screen_width = parseInt(screen_width, 10) var current_location = box.style.left; var current_location = parseInt(current_location, 10) var screen_middle = (screen_width/2); var xx = (screen_width*0.05); var x = (screen_width*0.05); if(current_location > screen_middle){ box.style.left = (screen_width-xx) + 'px'; } else { box.style.left = x + 'px'; } }); function remove_social_float_icons() { $(".float-fb").animate({ top: "-=8%", }, 500 ); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-fb").hide("slow"); },500); $(".float-tw").animate({ top: "-=16%", }, 500 ); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-tw").hide("slow"); },500); $(".float-rs").animate({ top: "-=24%", }, 500 ); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-rs").hide("slow"); },500); $(".float-ig").animate({ top: "-=32%", }, 500 ); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-ig").hide("slow"); },500); $(".float-pn").animate({ top: "-=40%", }, 500 ); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-pn").hide("slow"); },500); $(".float-wp").animate({ top: "-=48%", }, 500 ); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-wp").hide("slow"); },500); var width = (window.innerWidth > 0) ? window.innerWidth : screen.width; if(width >= 700){ $(".float-tg").animate({ top: "-=56%", }, 500 ); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-tg").hide("slow"); },500); } setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-cross").hide("slow"); },500); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-plus").show("slow"); },500); sessionStorage.setItem("remove_social_icons", "1"); } function show_social_float_icons(){ setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-plus").hide("slow"); },10); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-fb").show("slow"); },10); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-tw").show("slow"); },10); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-rs").show("slow"); },10); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-ig").show("slow"); },10); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-pn").show("slow"); },10); setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-wp").show("slow"); },10); var width = (window.innerWidth > 0) ? window.innerWidth : screen.width; if(width >= 700){ setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-tg").show("slow"); },10); } setTimeout(function(){ $(".float-cross").show("slow"); },10); $(".float-fb").animate({ top: "+=8%", }, 500 ); $(".float-tw").animate({ top: "+=16%", }, 600 ); $(".float-rs").animate({ top: "+=24%", }, 700 ); $(".float-ig").animate({ top: "+=32%", }, 800 ); $(".float-pn").animate({ top: "+=40%", }, 900 ); $(".float-wp").animate({ top: "+=48%", }, 1000 ); if(width >= 700){ $(".float-tg").animate({ top: "+=56%", }, 1000 ); } sessionStorage.setItem("remove_social_icons", "0"); } $(document).ready(function(){ var value = sessionStorage.getItem("remove_social_icons"); if(value == '1'){ remove_social_float_icons(); } }); // function to close the popup function closePopup() { var modal = document.getElementById("myModal"); modal.style.display = "none"; } // function to open the popup function openPopup() { var modal = document.getElementById("myModal"); modal.style.display = "block"; } // Added the code - If user click on anywhere outside the popup $('body').click(function(e) { $('#myModal').hide(); }); $('#popclose').on('click',function(e){ $('#myModal').css('display','none'); }); // automatically open the popup on page load window.onload = openPopup; $(document).ready(function(){ if(screen.width { button.addEventListener('click', btnEvent => { // console.log(button.id); $.ajax({ method: "POST", url: "https://www.drishitias.com/search/", data:{ 'id': button.id, 'search': search }, headers: { 'X-CSRF-TOKEN': $('[name = "_csrfToken"]').val() }, success: function(result){ $('body').html(result); }, error: function(error){ console.log(error) } } }) } }) $(document).ready(function(){ //alert(getCookie('isLogin')); if(getCookie('isLogin')==1) { $('#myAccountDiv').css('display','inline-block'); $('#loginLink').css('display','none'); $('#registerLink').css('display','none'); $('#makeNoteLoginLink').css('display','inline-block'); $('#makeNoteLink').css('display','none'); $('#makeNoteOptionDiv').css('display','inline-block'); } else { $('#myAccountDiv').css('display','none'); $('#loginLink').css('display','inline-block'); $('#registerLink').css('display','inline-block'); $('#makeNoteLoginLink').css('display','none'); $('#makeNoteLink').css('display','inline-block'); $('#makeNoteOptionDiv').css('display','none'); } }); function getCookie(name) { var match = document.cookie.match(RegExp("(?;" + name + "=[^;]*")); return match ? match[1] : null; } var regex = /^[a-zA-Z0-9_+]+\@([a-zA-Z0-9-]+\.)+([a-zA-Z0-9]{2,4})+$/; var phonex = /^[0-9 ]+$/;
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$('#newsletterfrm').submit(function(e){ var msg=true; var txtname=$('#txtname').val(); var
txtneemail=$('#txtneemail').val(); $('#nmsg').html(""); //$('.input-error').remove(); if(txtname.trim()==){
$('#txtname').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else{ $('#txtname').removeClass('input-error'); }
if(txtneemail.trim()==){ $('#txtneemail').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else
if(!regex.test(txtneemail)){ $('#txtneemail').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else{
$('#txtneemail').removeClass('input-error'); } if(msg){ var form=$('#newsletterfrm').serialize(); $.ajax({
type: "POST", url: "https://www.drishtiias.com/pages/newsletterfrm", data: form, success: function(data){
if(data=='already'){ $('#nmsg').html('Email address already in use'); }else if(data=='add'){
$('#nmsg').html('Thank you for subscribing to our newsletter. '); $('#txtname').val("");
$('#txtneemail').val(""); }else{ $('#nmsg').html('Oops! something went wrong, Please try again'); }
//$('#nloader').hide(); }, error: function(error,errorType,errorStatus){ alert(errorType);
//$('#nloader').hide(); } }); } e.preventDefault(); }); $('#smsalertfrm').submit(function(e){ var msg=true;
var txtmobile=$('#txtmobile').val(); $('#nmmsg').html(""); //$('.input-error').remove();
if(txtmobile.trim()==){ $('#txtmobile').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else
if(txtmobile.trim().length!=10){ $('#txtmobile').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else
if(!phonex.test(txtmobile)){ $('#txtmobile').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else{
$('#txtmobile').removeClass('input-error'); } if(msg){ var form=$('#smsalertfrm').serialize();
//$('#nmloader').show(); $.ajax({ type: "POST", url: "https://www.drishtiias.com/pages/smsalertfrm", data:
form, success: function(data){ if(data=='already'){ $('#nmmsg').html('Phone number already in use');
}else if(data=='add'){ $('#nmmsg').html('Thank you for subscribing to our SMS Alerts. ');
$('#txtmobile').val(""); }else{ $('#nmmsg').html('Oops! something went wrong, Please try again'); }
//$('#nmloader').hide(); }, error: function(error,errorType,errorStatus){ alert(errorType);
//$('#nmloader').hide(); } }); } e.preventDefault(); }); $('#subscriptionfrm').submit(function(e){ var
msg=true; var txtname=$('#name').val(); var txtneemail=$('#emailaddress').val(); var
txtmobile=$('#phone').val(); $('#contactmsg').html(""); //$('.input-error').remove();
if(txtname.trim()==){ $('#name').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else{
$('#name').removeClass('input-error'); } if(txtneemail.trim()==){ $('#emailaddress').addClass('input-
error'); msg=false; }else if(!regex.test(txtneemail)){ $('#emailaddress').addClass('input-error'); msg=false;
}else{ $('#emailaddress').removeClass('input-error'); } if(txtmobile.trim()==){
$('#phone').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else if(txtmobile.trim().length!=10){
$('#phone').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else if(!phonex.test(txtmobile)){
$('#phone').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else{ $('#phone').removeClass('input-error'); }
if($('#dailyupdates').prop("checked") == false && $('#examnewsletter').prop("checked") == false &&
$('#fullnewsletter').prop("checked") == false && $('#sms').prop("checked") == false) {
$('#contactmsg').css('display','block'); $('#contactmsg').addClass('error'); $('#contactmsg').html('No
option selected, please select at least one option. '); msg=false; } if(msg){ $('#loader').css('display','block');
var form=$('#subscriptionfrm').serialize(); $.ajax({ type: "POST", url:
"https://www.drishtiias.com/subscription", data: form, success: function(data){
$('#loader').css('display','none'); if(data=='success'){ $('#contactmsg').css('display','block');
$('#contactmsg').removeClass('error'); $('#contactmsg').html('Thank you for subscribing to our
subscription. You will hear from us soon. '); $('#name').val(""); $('#emailaddress').val(""); $('#phone').val("");
}else{ $('#contactmsg').css('display','block'); $('#contactmsg').addClass('error');
$('#contactmsg').html('Oops! something went wrong, Please try again'); } }, error:
function(error,errorType,errorStatus){ $('#loader').css('display','none'); alert(errorType);
//$('#nloader').hide(); } }); } e.preventDefault(); }); $('#testseriesfrm').submit(function(e){ var msg=true;
var txtname=$('#firstname').val(); var txtneemail=$('#emailaddress').val(); var
txtmobile=$('#phonenumber').val(); $('#contactmsg').html(""); //$('.input-error').remove();
if(txtname.trim()==){ $('#firstname').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else{
$('#firstname').removeClass('input-error'); } if(txtneemail.trim()==){ $('#emailaddress').addClass('input-
error'); msg=false; }else if(!regex.test(txtneemail)){ $('#emailaddress').addClass('input-error'); msg=false;
}else{ $('#emailaddress').removeClass('input-error'); } if(txtmobile.trim()==){
$('#phonenumber').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else if(txtmobile.trim().length!=10){
$('#phonenumber').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else if(!phonex.test(txtmobile)){
$('#phonenumber').addClass('input-error'); msg=false; }else{ $('#phonenumber').removeClass('input-
error'); } if(msg){ $('#loader').css('display','block'); var form=$('#testseriesfrm').serialize(); $.ajax({ type:
"POST", url: "https://www.drishtiias.com/test-series-registration", data: form, success: function(data){
$('#loader').css('display','none'); //alert(data); if(data=='success'){ $('#contactmsg').css('display','block');
$('#contactmsg').removeClass('error'); $('#contactmsg').html('Thank you for choosing our test series. You
will get an email and message soon. '); $('#firstname').val(""); $('#lastname').val("");
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$('#emailaddress').val(''); $('#phonenumner').val(''); }else{ $('#contactmsg').css('display','block');
$('#contactmsg').addClass('error'); $('#contactmsg').html(data); } }, error:
function(error,errortype,errorstatus){ $('#loader').css('display','none'); alert(errortype);
//$('#nloader').hide(); } }); } e.preventDefault(); }); $('#allnotes').click(function(){
$('#fixbtn.notes').removeClass('open'); $('#fixbtn.mynotes').toggleClass('open'); });
$('#mynotes,.notelist').on('click','.readmore',function(){ var noteid=$(this).attr('data-noteid');
$('#note_id').val(noteid); $.ajax({ type: "POST", url: "https://www.drishtiiias.com/articles/setnote", data:
'note_id='+noteid, success: function(data){ if(data){ tinymce.get("mynote").setContent(data);
$('#mynotemsg').html(""); $('#fixbtn.notes').toggleClass('open'); }else{ alert('Oops! something went
wrong, Please try again'); } }, error: function(error,errortype,errorstatus){ alert(errortype); } }); });
$('#notelink').click(function(){ $.ajax({ type: "POST", url: "https://www.drishtiiias.com/articles/removenote",
success: function(data){ if(data=='removed'){ $('#note_id').val(""); tinymce.get("mynote").setContent("");
$('#mynotemsg').html(""); $('#fixbtn.notes').toggleClass('open'); $('#fixbtn.mynotes').removeClass('open');
}else{ alert('Oops! something went wrong, Please try again'); } }, error:
function(error,errortype,errorstatus){ alert(errortype); } }); });
$('#mynotes,.notelist').on('click','.removenote',function(e){ if(confirm('Are you sure want to remove
note?')) { $('#loader').css('display','block'); var noteid=$(this).attr('data-noteid'); $.ajax({ type: "POST", url:
"https://www.drishtiiias.com/articles/deletenote", data: 'note_id='+noteid, success: function(data){
$('#loader').css('display','none'); if(data=='removed'){ $('#note-list #' +noteid+',.notelist
#' +noteid).css('display','none'); }else{ alert('Oops! something went wrong, Please try again'); } }, error:
function(error,errortype,errorstatus){ $('#loader').css('display','none'); alert(errortype); } }); }
e.preventDefault(); }); $('#commentfile').change(function(){ $('#file-name').text(this.files[0].name); });
$(document).ready(function(){ $('#list-toggle').click(function(){ $('#list-category').toggleClass('active');
$(this).toggleClass('active'); $('#value').text(function(i, text){ return text === "Hide Menu" ? "Show Menu"
: "Hide Menu"; }); }); $('#aside button.close').click(function(){ $('#list-category').toggleClass('active'); $('#list-
toggle').toggleClass('active'); }); $('#fixbtn .btn').click(function(){ $('#fixbtn
.btn').not(this).parents('.fixbtn').removeClass('open'); $(this).parents('.fixbtn').toggleClass('open'); });
$('#fixbtn a.close').click(function(){ $(this).parents('.fixbtn').removeClass('open'); }); $('#note-
btn').click(function(){ $('#fixbtn.notes').toggleClass('open'); }); $('#viewmore a').click(function(){
$('#hide').slideToggle('active'); $(this).text(function(i, text){ return text === "View More" ? "View Less" :
"View More"; }); }); }); $('#learning-program .subheading').click(function(){ $(this).next().slideToggle();
$(this).toggleClass('open'); }); $(document).ready(function(){ $('#a.register-btn').colorbox(); });
$('#interview-slider').slick({ autoplay: true, arrows: false, dots: true });
$('#bookSession').on('click',function(e){ $.ajax({ type: "POST", data: { 'course':
$('#bookSession').data('course') }, url: "https://www.drishtiiias.com/book-online-session", success:
function(json){ var obj = JSON.parse(json); if (obj.status==200) { alert(obj.message); } else {
alert(obj.message); window.location.reload(); } }, error: function(error,errortype,errorstatus){
alert(errortype); } }); e.preventDefault(); }); $('#popup').colorbox({iframe: true, innerWidth: 790,
innerHeight: 530}); if(screen.width = 500) { $("#scroll-top").addClass("show"); } else { $("#scroll-
top").removeClass("show"); } }); function showarchive(year,month,day=null){ // alert('be-mains-ready-
daily-answer-writing-practice-question'); return; var
url='https://www.drishtiiias.com/archives+'+''+year+'-'+month+'-'+day; location=url;
//alert(url+'/archives/'+year+'-'+month+'-'+dat); }

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