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The author draws critical attention to the menace of the pervasive food crisis. Environmental, political and financial dimensions are underpinned to highlight the causes and consequences of the flawed policies of the stakeholders. Essentially, the food crisis has cast adverse impacts on more than three billion people. From 1974 to 2008, the international bodies and governments have advanced to promulgate policies to eradicate hunger and poverty in the form of treaties. However, the efforts put by the stakeholders have remained unsatisfactory and thus futile to have a significant impact on the alleviation of the global food crisis. The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations (UN) has persistently monitored the paradigm of the food crisis.

In addition, the inflation in the price of food has immensely fueled the factors that caused food crisis. The author deliberates the economic obscurities in the specific portion. The timely intervention of FAO has remained critical to warn the nations regarding the food crisis(“Home | Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,” n.d.). The prominent and detrimental event existed in the winter of 2007. For instance, the bomb of food price exploded in the world markets. The article further offers an in-depth of the essential factors contributing towards the instigation of the global food crisis. Agriculture, the explosion in population, food reserves and vulnerable population are thoroughly mentioned in the article. A critical aspect is noteworthy to mention while assessing the theme of the article. The article was published in 20018 and thus specifically analyzes the implications for the United States of America (USA). The writer has offered keen insights on the menace of the food crisis by stipulating not only the prominent economic factors but also the historical financial elements. The merger of the banks in the United States revolutionized the economy in a rather radical manner. The small scale investors and farmers faced daunting challenges to expand under the centralized system of banking.

 Besides, each argument stated in the article is supplemented with rational argument and empirical evidence. The food crisis had decimated the backbone of the farmers. With the passage of time, input cost as seed, fertilizer and other ingredients used in irrigation accelerated rapidly(“The global food crisis: an overview - ODI HPN,” n.d.). The most imperative discussion is conducted at the end of the article in the form of potential solutions to confront the global food crisis. A systematic intervention is proposed rather than implementing the protracted policies of economic development. The fundamentals of free trade, technological advancement and dismantling the monopoly of power were the potential steps proposed to fight the global food crisis. The international bodies as the World Trade Organization (WTO) assume an instrumental role to propagate the culture of Free Trade Agreements in true letter and spirits(“Food | United Nations,” n.d.). Moreover, the agro-ecological management of food ought to be revisited. The agriculture industry dominated by the multinational corporations and the biased trade policies must be abrogated and replaced with a democratized food system. These were the primary solutions to curb the global food crisis that rose in 2008. The crux of the idea highlights the economic and political elements responsible for instigating the menace in the past decades. The bottom line is the article critically analyzes the factors responsible for radicalizing the food control and price system. The conclusion emphasizes the potential solutions to fight the centralized food system with the assistance of the technological advancements, free trade policies and profound economic policies intended at benefiting the deprived communities. The essential material and facts discussed are rational and top of that published by the world hunger organization.

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