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9.1 INTRODUCTION

The world is certainly taking a lot of beating nowadays. Many things that seem to be out of the ordinary are now happening in its many corners. We normally see fire burning swaths of land in Australia but this year we see water submerging and destroying a large chunk of the beautiful country. We are so used to a people so docile in the face of oppression that in the words of a renowned French philosopher, Bernard-Henri L vy, we have come to view them as ‘less than us’ so much so that the world doesn’t bat an eye on the predicaments of our fellow human beings just so long as the world may continue to guzzle oil from their land unhindered. But now we see the people of the Arab world fighting back tooth and nail saying that they have had enough of their tyrannical governments and those that had brought injustice and suffering upon them. We are also so used to see Japanese efficiency and have been mesmerized by their innovations