



# Pakistan: an egalitarian state?

## Outline

### 1- Introduction

**Thesis statement:** Undoubtedly, Pakistan is an egalitarian state in the world. Several factors, including constitutional equality, freedom of occupation, protection of rights of minorities etc are substantive arguments, which prove Pakistan an egalitarian state. However, some rational steps will strengthen this egalitarian state of Pakistan.

### 2- Understanding the notion 'an egalitarian state'

### 3- Factors that prove Pakistan as an egalitarian state

- a) The constitutional right to promote equality without discrimination
- b) Freedom of choice regarding legal occupation
- c) State's responsibility to protect rights of minorities
- d) Equal access to education for all individuals
- e) Women protection laws to preserve rights of women
- f) Legal protection of third gender's rights
- g) Freedom of religious worship
- h) Right to politics promoting gender parity



#### 4- Murders in an egalitarian state of Pakistan

- Misinterpretation of religious knowledge
- Rise of extremism in the country
- Failure of rule of law to stop violence
- Dominance of patriarchal culture in society
- Lack of quality of education for the youth
- Role of non-state actors to destabilize the country

#### 5- Methodologies to support Pakistan as an egalitarian state

- Launch of awareness campaign on equality
- Promote role of religious scholars to enhance religious knowledge
- Strengthen rule of law for the extremists
- Encourage intelligence-based operations to preserve civilians' security

#### 6- Conclusion

Attention Grabber:

"You, in the state of Pakistan, are free to live, you are allowed to worship according to your religion, you are free to your occupation, and Pakistan is guardian of your rights." (Quaid-e-Azam Mohammed Ali Jinnah, Addressing at the time of creation of Pakistan, 1947). The above well-known and golden words are stark reality of Pakistan as an egalitarian state.