

# Critical Analysis of Judicial System of Pakistan

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." (Martin Luther King)

Judiciary plays an important role in maintaining rule of law, and prosperity and progress of a country. However, unluckily, in Pakistan it paints a dismal picture. According to World Justice Project, Pakistan ranks **129th** out of **140** countries as far as rule of law is concerned. More ironically, it ranks **5th** out of **SIX** countries in South Asia. There are many rationales behind this backwardness. Firstly, judicial

System of Pakistan is not independent — although it should be. Because both legislature and executive interfere and impede in the process of judicial cases.

Secondly, judicial system of Pakistan is apparently biased, which provides bail to those who are powerful and influential while the poor and destitute bear the brunt of legal proceedings over petty things. The powerful enjoy their lives being at large. Thirdly, judicial system of Pakistan takes much time to solve the cases. Sometimes, it is delayed

adventently to persecute the common people. For such purpose a well-known personality — William E Gladstone has said, "**Justice delayed is justice denied.**" Therefore

considering all these aforementioned pitfalls in judiciary of Pakistan, it goes without saying that Pakistan is at the worst level of judicial crisis.

Thereby, some meticulous and wholeheartedly measures should be taken to resolve the judicial woes of Pakistan.