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How can bureaucrats and bureaucracies be held accountable? By whom and by what means can they be held accountable? Describe the steps and the measures that can be taken to increase bureaucratic accountability. How do the judicial, the executive and the legislative branches of government hold bureaucrats and bureaucracies accountable?

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Answer 1- Introduction

"Bureaucrats and bureaucracy is the engine of government."

(- Max Weber)

Bureaucrats and bureaucracy can be held accountable to make government policies execution. In fact, several ways are referred to hold bureaucrats and bureaucracy accountable. Moreover, legislative, executive and judiciary also held bureaucrats accountable. Therefore, bureaucrats and

bureaucracy can be held accountable.

2- Defining bureaucracy

"Bureaucracy is an engine of government."
(-Max Weber)

Bureaucracy is an engine of government. Bureaucracy helps in implementation of government policies for the state welfare.

"Bureaucracy is a distinct form of government. It is not democratic, but it supports democracy."

(-Stuart)

Bureaucracy helps in democratic affairs and maintains fair role in public welfare.

Therefore, bureaucracy is a wheel of government machinery.

3- Accountability of bureaucrats

and bureaucracy

Bureaucrats and bureaucracy can be held accountable in the following ways:

a) Presidential power to make bureaucracy accountable

President is the head of the executive branch. In fact, president has a very important role to make bureaucrats accountable. According to a survey,

"President ensure that bureaucrats must act in the mandate of the executive body."

(Bureaucracy accountability, 2018)

Therefore, bureaucrats and bureaucracy can be held accountable by presidential power.

b) Professional Accountability of bureaucrats and bureaucracy
Moreover, professional

accountability plays an important role in accountability of bureaucrats and bureaucracy. In fact, doctors, engineers, civilians, architect etc. can play their professional role in observing bureaucrats performance.

"Professional accountability in social sphere by doctors, engineers, and civilians make bureaucrats accountable."

(-Ishtiaq Hussain, Bureaucracy accountability, 2018)

Therefore, bureaucrats and bureaucracy can be held accountable by professional way.

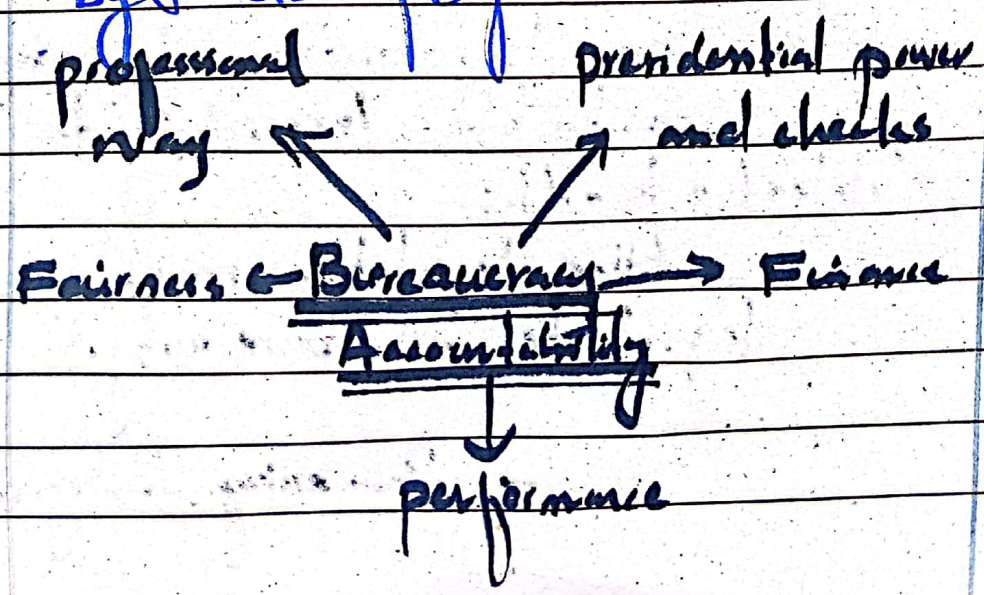
c) Finance, Fairness, and performance accountability
Bureaucrats and bureaucracy can be measured in their finance, fairness,

and in performances. The mandate of the executive branch is the responsibility of bureaucracy to make system accountable. But, bureaucracy needs to be accountable in its performance.

"The way of working of bureaucracy in its fairness and performance is measured and bureaucrats also be held accountable in the same measures."

(- Bureaucracy accountability, 2019)

Thus, bureaucrats and bureaucracy can be held accountable by its performance.



4- Accountability of bureaucracy by government
 Government can also hold bureaucrats accountable in the following ways.

a) The legislative Accountability

"The legislative branch can investigate and form laws on bureaucracy."

(- Toqeer Hussain)

The legislative branch can hold bureaucrats and bureaucracy accountable. In fact, legislative body is a heart of the government, can hold several laws on bureaucracy to make it accountable. According to Motehe Hadhi

"the legislature must legislate on bureaucracy."

(- Bureaucy in government)

Therefore, bureaucracy can be held accountable by legislative branch.

b) The Executive Accountability
 Further, bureaucrats and bureaucracy can be held accountable by the executive branch. In fact, bureaucracy is a permanent member of the executive and its accountability is necessary. President and premier can ask bureaucrats for its accountability any time.

"Head of the executive must co-ordinate with bureaucrats on issue to make bureaucracy accountable."

(- Ishtaq Hussain)

Therefore, bureaucrats can be held accountable by the executive branch.

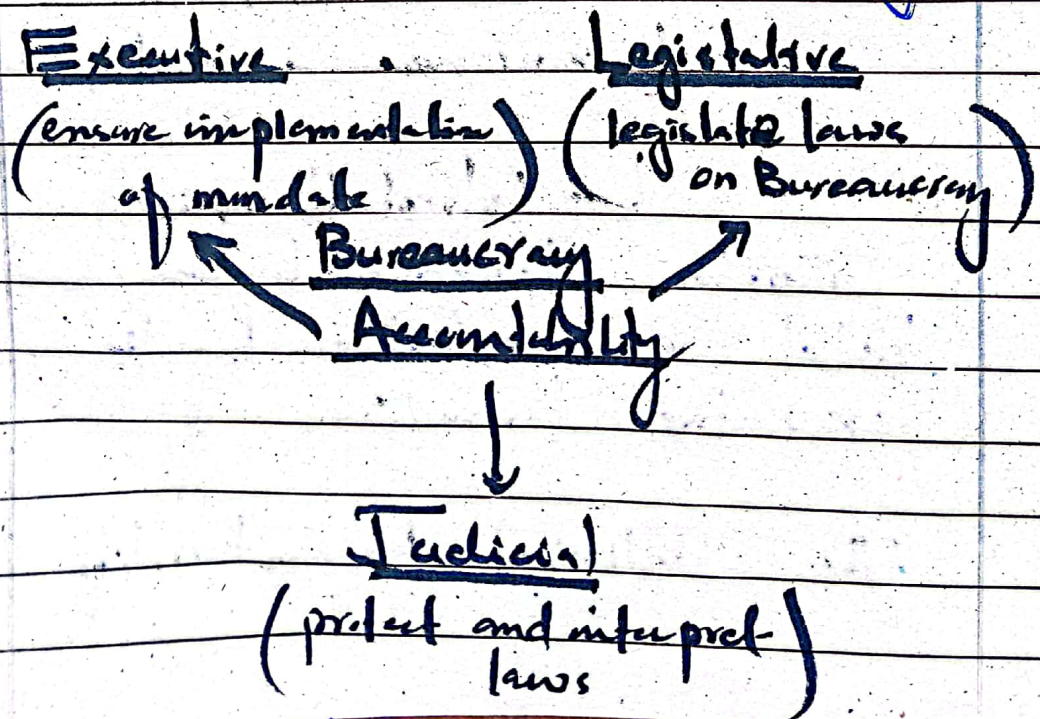
c) The Judicial Accountability

Moreover, bureaucrats and bureaucracy can be held accountable by judiciary. Judiciary is the most important branch to make government officials accountable. In fact, judiciary has power to ask and investigate bureaucrats in protection of laws - Accountability to a report,

"Judicial power in protection of laws make bureaucracy accountable"

(- Toqeer Hussain)

Therefore, bureaucrats can be held accountable by judiciary.



5. Conclusion

“The government formed
 and
 the government departed;
 premier came
 and
 premier go;
 BUT...

You are permanent;
 an important responsibility
 is on your shoulder.
 You must not support the
 political party
 or

that political party,
 This leader or that leader.
 This is not your
 business.”

(-Quaid-e-Azam, 1948)

Bureaucracy is a permanent
 body of government. In fact, account-
 ability of bureaucracy is necessary
 and can be held accountable
 by the legislature, the executive and
 judiciary.