

# Moral decline in Politics: Causes and Consequences

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## 1: Introduction:

The definition of the word moral is "concerning or relating to what is right and wrong in human behaviour."

From this definition we can easily understand that moral decay is a decline in knowing the difference between wrong and right.

Thus, moral decadence appears to be a fall in the moral standard of society.

In morality four aspects considered: religious morality, morality and nature, individual morality and social morality. Without such moral rules, people would not be able to live amongst other humans. Now a days, moral decline in politics is the main issue.

## 2: Degrading Morality in Politics:

Morality degrading in politics is the worst issue. The extreme forms of behaviour we have seen abroad or experienced in Pakistan are because of decline in morality and ethical behaviours. Political ethics also known as political morality, is the practice of making moral judgments about political judgments and agents. It covers two areas, the one is ethics of process (or the ethics of office) and the other is ethics of policy.

These concerns with judgments surrounding policies and laws.

## i) Way of thinking of our politicians

Our politicians think only to gain money by different ways. There are many corrupted persons are present in our government.

In large organizations it is often not possible to tell who is actually responsible for the outcomes, a problem known as the problem of many hands. Political ethics not only permits leaders to do things that would be wrong in private life, but requires them to meet higher standards than would be necessary for private life.

For example, they may have less of a right to privacy than do ordinary citizens, and no right to use their office for personal profit. The major issues here ultimately concern the concept of conflict of interest.

## ii) Diminished the difference of right and wrong :-

Decay of morality finished the difference in right and wrong. The politicians not think that they do right or wrong. They increases tax on everything, which is out of range of poor people. They do corruption

and have not felt ashamed on their deeds. Due to this, moral decadence appears to be fall in moral standard of society. It seems to be a deterioration or a collapse in upholding our societal values, beliefs, norms and ethical standards. Due to political issues every person is corrupted in our society - They become thief, robbers, baggers etc. due to lack of money.

### iii) Collapse in societal values and ethical standards:-

Due to decay of morality there is a biggest collapse in societal values and ethical standards. Morality is an important component of a human being because it helps shape the ethical foundation that every human being has. Whether to be good, evil, honest, or deceitful are just some of the traits morality helps us develop. We would not know whom to trust and what to expect from others. Civilised, social life would not be possible.

The reasons for moral degradation may include: an "anything goes" attitude, banishment of the distance between "right and wrong", getting that morality is dispensable, commercial greed, redefining morality to suit one's self,

the rejection of God / religion by many, self-indulgence etc. And the situation becomes more dangerous and alarming when the degeneracy is not even felt as such.

### 3 Causes of moral decline in Politics:-

Some people in the west argue that morality is not declining in the modern world; instead, a new morality is replacing the previous one.

However, such thinking gives birth to frequent incidents of mass shootings, racial hatred, social injustice, incivility, fraud, and white supremacy which are considered just a few of the examples of the moral decay in the west by the larger abstemious masses.

In politics the politicians are stone hearted that not even think about the poor youth.

#### 1) Unemployment for young generation:-

There is no jobs available for the young generation. What is the benefit of their degree if there is not employment for them. Lack of due investment in human capital and consequent mismanagement has resulted in the production of a largely unskilled and directionless youth bulge that is multiplying recklessly.

This is constantly adding to the frustration, lawlessness, crime rate, bad tempers, and fanatic attitude - Such frustrated youth fall prey to the 'professional rent-a-crowd go-getters' in various cloaks who in turn become mob and vote providers to the over-exploitative ruling elite in Pakistan. The world has already suffered the horrors of two great wars due to a lack of moral education - As of today, such a situation can arise if the decay is not stopped.

## ii) Pakistan is suffering from poverty:-

Pakistan is suffering from poverty due to lackness of resources and jobs - Expenses are increased day by day but there is no source of income - Poor people are becoming poor day by day and the rich are richer speedily. Because they have authorities. And in our society only money is the biggest power. Anything can buy with money even that human beings also. Our politicians spend luxurious life and not care about the poverty. The population increased constantly and the production of crops are lesser than the growth of population.

### iii) Lack of good Parenting

Moral decline also due to the lack of good Parenting - Now a days, the Parents not have check and Blame on their child and their child have bad company. They have no difference in right and wrong. These type of child when grown up have no ethics. Our Society can not pay attention on this big issue.

### iv) Political and economic instability:-

Due to decay of morality Political and economic instability took place in our Society. Our economy is becoming poor continuously. ~~Our~~ The products of moral decay are daily observed in Political gathering, Press conferences, social and electronic media dog fights, and well-paid print media projections that result in torturing the people through their un-Parliamentary dialogue, white lies, hypocrisy, and disgusting behaviour.

### v) Poor judicial system in our Politics:-

There is poor judicial system in our Politics cause moral decay. There is no justice for common people. Every one is corrupted. There is justice only for strong and rich peoples.

#### 4. Solutions for moral decay:-

We should overcome the moral decay in our society or politics. Moral development is strongly influenced by interpersonal factors, such as family, peers, and culture. Development of high moral values may include the identification of a set of values, management of personal ego, embracing change and building consensus etc.

##### i) Development of high moral values:-

The only hope for grooming the new generations was the mothers and teachers who found themselves in a dilemma due to misplaced personal and state priorities. The uneven and visionless education system is not only hurting the students, parents and teachers but harming the future of the country. That's why we need to develop the moral values.

For the betterment of our country

##### ii) Taking into consideration diverse groups of people and their views:-

For the betterment of moral values we should take into consideration diverse groups of people and their point of view for the betterment of society and social norms and ethics. For this the elections



are placed, that every person have right to choose their politician (PM). Every person is independent to give vote.

#### iv) Management of personal ego:-

Every one should diminish their personal ego for the betterment of moral values. When we finished our ego, we can feel the happiness and pain of each other, we can differentiate the right and wrong, we become a good citizen or politician. If there is no egoistic people in our politics or Govt our country becomes developed speedily.

#### iv) Establishing Unity in Society:-

For increasing moral values we should also established the unity in our society. Tolerance for each other, irrespective of religious and ethnic affiliations. Showing hospitality especially to the strangers. Living a life devoid of discrimination against other tribes. Unity is essential for social, economic, and Political stability. When united, individuals are more likely to work together to achieve common goals and resolve conflicts peacefully. This creates a stable and harmonious environment, which is necessary

for the growth and development of  
Society.

## 5 Consequences of Moral decline in Politics.

Our moral codes can motivate us to cooperate with others, their uncompromising and absolute nature can also lead to many negative interpersonal consequences; we tend to vitify and dehumanise those that disagree with our moral beliefs and we justify any means to a moral end.

Psychologists believe that morality is not just something that people learn; it is something we are all born with.

Humans have a moral sense because their biological makeup determines the presence of these necessary conditions for ethical behaviour i.e. the ability to anticipate the consequences of one's actions, the ability to make value judgments; and the ability to ~~make~~ choose between alternative courses of action.