

Moral decline in politics; causes and consequences:

① Introduction:

Thesis Statement:

Moral decline in politics in Pakistan is the outcome of various causes. It creates political deadlock all across which hinders development. However, certain measures are to be implemented to better avoid moral decline in politics.

② Correlation of moral decline and political deadlock.

③ Causes of moral decline in politics in Pakistan:

- a. Institutional utilization for personal gains.
- b. No check and balance culture
- c. Revenge politics
- d. Alliance versus populist.
- e. No tolerance for political rivals.
- f. Ideological disintegration
- g. Manipulation of basic principles for own convenience.
- h. Sacrifice of national interests for personal interests
- i. Corruption culture
- j. Lack of educated ~~experts~~
 politicians/experts.

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(4) Consequences of political moral decline in politics

- a. Institutional ~~the~~ encroachment
- b. political deadlock
- c. promotion of dynastic politics
- d. Economic meltdown as a result of political stalemate.
- e. Moral decline murders civilization.
- f. Creation of chaos all across the country.

(5) Way forward to moral decline in politics in Pakistan.

- a. Austerity measure for moral development.
- b. Establishment of educational and religious institutions.
- c. Cutoff of dynastic politics to justify way compete for competentants.

(b) Conclusion.

Introduction:

According to Ben Douglas MacArthur "History fails to record a single precedent in which nations subject to moral decay have not passed into political and economic decline". The fall of a nation starts once country faces political quagmire and then sets fire to all other segments and pillars of the country. The politicians search and they run after personal gains and neglect the legitimate functions of the institutions. The institutions are given free hands not to check or balance the servants of the state, nor do they possess the authority to handcuff anyone. Only those are to be taken into custody who are going to destroy the political career of the concerned politician. They can go cross any limits to strike down any one, for instance Populist. Because Populist could be the one whose ideology would mismatch and thus he will develop the principles which would violate all the basic principles.

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Furthermore, ~~therefore~~, corruption - which is a sin worldwide, is going unstoppable which results to draw down the competent and educated strata. Death of educational strata/expertise causes encroachment of the institutions for nepotism and favoritism. These phenomena create political stalemate which leads to, economic meltdown, cultural and civilization collapse and in a long run results in turmoil and chaos across the country. Therefore, moral decline in politics in Pakistan is the outcome of various causes. It results in the political deadlock in the country. However, certain measures are to be implemented to better avoid the moral decline.

Political failure and moral decline are interconnected. State runs through moral codes and values. Moral codes are established on the basis of wide experience. Moral decline has zero consideration for such experiences. These are the only codes which build connection between people and politicians. Once these codes are violated it causes turmoil and thus political deadlock.

politicians use institutions for their personal gains and benefits. Institutions are state's pillar which must have certain principles to hinder the encroachment in its own premises. Otherwise, this practice would create existential threats for institutions. Its example could be the condemnation of the arrest of ex-prime minister of one institution in the premises of other institution by the supreme court of Pakistan. The supreme remarked, this would become a common practice to bypass the principles of other's institutions. So, to create harmony all across the institutions are to play in its own premises and all the politicians are to be warned not to influence them.

Encroachment of the institutions generalizes "No check and balance culture": In this case, they look upto the efficiency and loopholes of other institutions. This disintegration at time gets so serious dimension that the politicians use them against their political rivals. Its suitable to take up another example from recent arrest of ex-prime minister.

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where one institutions sided with one political group and another stay firm with ex-prime minister and thus caused ever high loss of ~~the~~ socio-economic worth of both PKY. Resultantly, this chaos happens when the mandate of people are used against them. However, institutional encroachment is equally responsible for this turmoil and their negligence towards moral codes/principles.

As forementioned, the institutions are massively used for political revenge. In develop countries the epicenter of revenge is people's mandate, but sadly in Pakistan, the political revenge is physical torture and harassment. The oppositions possess zero toleration to the victory of political rivals and give call for protests and road agitation. It unleashes all the moral codes and conducts and could be taken as politics of immaturity and malicious. Pakistan is practicing this revenge politics since its inception, both military and civilians are to be held responsible. Because both have

to utmost extremity and never let go any opportunity of revenge.

When one party feels weak to revenge its opponent, comes up with alliance to shoulder and balance power to ~~the~~ strike down the populist. In all over the world, it's tough to draw down a populist without bypassing moral codes because he is the one enjoying the confidence of the majority. In the history of Pakistan, populist is struck down by alliance whether that is Benazir or Imran Khan.

Revenge is politics promote no tolerance towards political rivals. For example, in Venezuela democracy worked, creating institutions that produced prosperity, and a way of living in which tolerance was extremely important. Coexistence is diversity, which is a great deal of democracy. Currently, Pakistan is experiencing the fiction tough. The constitution of Pakistan talks about only one scheme of government and that is democracy. But democracy seems to be in danger as it is being

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replaced by fiction - populism - which promises to solve the problems of Pakistan instantly and without giving any sacrifices. What PML, Imran Khan promised before 2018 elections, and what PML-N-led ruling alliance promised before coming into power has not materialized. People are hearing about the country being on the verge of default. Resultantly, no tolerance leads to the political deadlock and creates catastrophe in the country.

political deadlock is the outcome of ideological disintegration. The moral decline of the politicians and the masses is so divided that they cannot tolerate their collective identity and thus mess goes up. They disposes character which shocks the foreign policy in broader terms and the exacerbation of diversified ideology in local context which outcomes catastrophe and harm to public property. Politics in Pakistan is much polarized these days, the arrest of ex-prime minister calls an alarming situations across the country. The agitation brought with itself both economic and humanitarian challenges.

polarized politics threatens existence
 of the state. Because it paves
 way for external contact disreets,
 which could become warfare confronta-
 tion anytime. Apart this, the extreme
 polarization affects the power centres
 of the states, especially, in the
 recent political quagmire they
 are miserably interferred which
 brought down their efficiency. Now
 they are seeking a way out
 but the future is bleak, because
 their rules and principles are
 stricken down by the politicians
 are their own conscience.
 The institutions are rather to be
 efficient, they are busy in
 building character and respect
 which ladders anti-linear
 to Rumi's quote, "The institutions
 are having responsibilities, respect
 and reputation hold by the state"
 therefore, quagmire will be the end
 in extreme polarization and thus

personal gains and benefits by the politicians for twisting and playing with the future mapmind of the institutions.

personal gains and interests are kept first is such require and sacrifice the national interests. It discourages Foreign Direct Investments (FDIs) which lighten down the momentum and worth of the local currency. The installation of FDIs goes out of the country as it witnessed in 2022, where 13-15 companies shifted from Pakistan to India, Bangladesh and Central Asian countries. Practice of this politics drop down the worth of competent and promote corruption culture which end is brain drain and street crimes - those who can tolerate the expenses seek an escape out of the country and who cannot tolerate the expenses

roll down to Street Crimes to earn their subsistence.

(Personal gains and endeavours) led towards the sacrifice of national interests. It also discourages foreign policy and so thus Foreign Direct Investments (FDIs)

Corruption culture freezes the meritocracy which indirectly goes to strike down the quality of education. The quality and worth of Pakistan's education is not upto the mark in comparison with the syllabus and contents of the develop countries. According to a research held by SEATTLE, Pakistan is ranking on 164th for its investment in education all across the world. which is the prime reason of the politicians being not well educated and so thus disposes morality.

The political strata which is less educated set fire to the institutions. The regulatory mechanism gets from bad to worst. In such cases institutional inroadment and political institutionalization takes place, in a long run can become political polarization. The polarization leads to disintegration of the ideology and at last the fall of the state and empire. Vividly, the creation of Pakistan is the outcome of the extremity of Two Nations Theory (TNT). According to Aristotle, the structure and functions of the state are its institutions when they are devotedly servicing and providing mutual cooperation. In other case the state will be subject to a quagmire. Retiently, Pakistan is facing a trickle down effect from the morally decline politicians

in one hand and in other,
she is facing institutional crises.

In such political and social
crises dynastic politics takes the
opportunity to move on. Dynastic
politics is a threat to modern
democracy, because in it, ^(M.D) only
those are to be given chance
who are elevated morally and
well/proper educated to handle
this sacred responsibility efficiently.
In practicing otherwise, the political
crises will be the result, as
in it (otherwise) there is no
service for the country but
only to retain the hierarchy
which is witnessed by Pakistan
since its inception. While in
develop countries - who are the
exponents of modern democracy,
condemn dynastic politics as this
only work for an individuals
and Stokes national interests.

Dynastic politics creates political stalemate, because the mandate of the people takes away. They lack to practice the rights and liberty which is committed to them under constitution from article 1 to 28. It gives birth to socio-economic problems, the disappointment of the people becomes a way out in crimes to get relaxed from hopelessness and to earn subsistence in other hand. For instance, the hike in the prices of commodities, there is an exponential increase in street crimes. Furthermore, the political stalemate creates an existential threats for the ambassadors which contributes to strike down the worth of the foreign policy. Therefore, political stalemate as a result of low moral codes and dynastic politics produce immediate existential threats.

The political quagmire emboldens the draw down of politics' worth in the country. It kills the reputation and image of the country. Those countries who are the advocates of sponsoring international organizations, take off their helping hands in such situations. Because they see the future of the country dark and bleak. Moreover, the state and non-state actors, get the country open to their evil activities to meet their ends. Recently, Dagestan has witnessed a big loss of both financial and humanitarian ^{bases}. Multiple places are hit by those violent actors including schools, mosque and security persons. So, in a nutshell, political greed and low social morale bring with itself such problems of serious dimension.

These serious problems set at risk the existence of the civilization. Because the height of civilization is proportional to political prosperity. When the political (world) scale goes down it causes the civilization to die.

According to Arnold Toynbee, "Civilization die from suicide, not by murder". It is evident from the history that all the great civilizations of the world died by its own death, for instance, Greece and Roman civilizations were sometimes at its peak but later on weak political administration set fire to their prosperity. So, the civilization and its existence could only be saved through powerful, moral and selfless political command/administration.

suicide of civilization creates turmoil all across the domain of political administration. Because there is a divine affinity of the masses towards their way of living. They get desperation to accommodate with a totally new paradigm, and reluctantly, the people come up with violence to strike down the ~~attacks~~ attacks made on their civilization. In case of failure to ~~instigate~~ instigate the rulers against the changes, the turmoil and chaos becomes the destiny of a nation.

In order to curio this deplorable situations in Pakistan, the dire need of the hour is to establish certain criteria for those who wants to practice their essence in politics. For

instance, specific institutions are to be established who will work upon the moral standards of the politicians. There will be a training session along with respect for other's fundamental rights of the people. Then afterward, there will be zero exploitation of the people's basic rights. Secondly, education which is professional will be pass over to the politicians. These measures will better improve the work of politics and will discard the low moral standards.

To enhance moral standards and public political participations, educational institutions are to be established, which is always been an exponent of vital importance in servicing politics. According to a research held on the title,

"Political Interests of Public in Pakistan", the result of the study suggests that people living in the urban areas are comparatively more interested in political affairs than the people living in rural areas of the country. Additionally, a significant effect of explanatory variables such as; age, gender, education, efficacy and performance evolution on public political interests was also found. But sadly, in Pakistan, urban population is the hub of education and rural population is kept out of educational institutions. That's why educational societies and awareness building units are to be established all across the country alike. So, that there are various multiple public opinions to draw out the best possible outcome in decision making.

These educational institutions will aware the people on political footing. They will protest against the set political system of Pakistan, which is firstly, going down morally and secondly they will strike down the epitome of hereditary politics which is common in the domain of South Asia, for instance, Sri Lanka, India and Pakistan. Pakistan is ruled by two families since long except the top brass military generals intercluded. Favouritism and nepotism are the top mark of hereditary politics as witnessed by Pakistan. These evil practices murder the merits. That's why, educational societies establishment will justify a platform for the competitors to practice essence in politics.

Conclusively, moral decline in politics bring about various deplorable situations with itself. It disrupts the structure and functions of all the institutions of the State. Because people of low moral standard in the arena of politics, hinder the development and follow their own gains. These gains and profits become an output is corruption culture, nepotism and favouritism, which paves way for the promotion of dynastic politics. And hereditary politics bestow no future for common masses but only stay firm to save the names of their ancestry, as witnessed by Pakistan since long. However, by implementing certain measures like promotion of educational societies and establishments of educational institutions equipped

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