

Topic: Democracy in Pakistan: Hopes and Hurdles

1. Introduction

Thesis Statement

There are still hopes for democracy to prevail in Pakistan, even though there are many hurdles in the way of establishing democracy driven Pakistan. By restructuring the political parties and maintaining the balance of power, democracy can be ascertained in Pakistan.

2. History of Democracy in Pakistan

3. Factors which shows that there are hopes of democracy in Pakistan

a. Successful transfer of power from one democratic party to another

b. Prohibition of article 58-2(B) in 18th amendment

c. Independent and responsible role of judiciary

d. Allocation of resources (NFC award) to all the provinces

e. Revival of institute of local government

f. Special seats for minorities and women in parliament on quota basis

4. Hurdles in the way of establishment of Democracy in Pakistan

a. Anti-democratic structure of political parties i.e. no intra party elections

b. Accumulation of power with state institutions

c. Concentration of power in feudal lords

d. Uneven industrial and human resource development in ^{the} provinces

e. Politics of political opportunism

f. Non-serious attitude of political parties towards electoral manifesto

g. Violation of minority rights and religious extremism

5. How the hurdles in way of democracy can be overcome

a. Depoliticization of state institutes

b. Electoral reforms of ECP must be done

c. Judiciary must play

responsible role

d. Special check on Governance
be within the established
constitutional framework

- Conclusion