

We never know the worth of water till the well is dry

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2 The significance of the Topic

3 Why we never know the worth of water till the well is dry

(a) Knowing Pakistan's worth as a democratic country
(Global Democracy Index: Pakistan ranks 104/167)

(b) Pakistan having all ^{the} capabilities even suffering from security issues

(Center for Research and Security Studies (CRSS): 245 incidents of terror attack in first quarter of 2024 in Pakistan)

(c) The unique asset of country is being wasted in the shape of brain drain or left in the darkness anonymous

(64% of Pakistan's population is below the age of 30, according to ~~the~~ 2023 census)

(d) Being an Islamic state Pakistan fails in countering gender discrimination

(Global Gender Gap: Pakistan ranks 142/146)

(e) The poor education system is devailing Pakistan

(Literacy Rate 62.5%,
Male 73%, Female 51%,
1.77 GDP is spent on education. Economic survey of Pakistan)

(f) In the era of advancement there is a yawning gap in the provision of education in urban and rural area of Pakistan

(Urban areas: 77% Literacy Rate, Rural areas 53%)

(g) Poor performance of institutions destabilizes the country

(Why Nations fail: performance of institutions in a state's stability)

(h) Lack of good governance is devaluing Pakistan's status.

(Corruption Perception Index Report: Pakistan ranks 140/180 in corruption)

(i) Poor Environment of the country is a factor in devaluing a country's status

(Pakistan 2nd most polluted country in the world just behind trailing Bangladesh, 2023 World Air Quality Report)

4 How worth of water can be valued before the well dries

(a) spread awareness through social media

(Pakistan social media

users:

	<u>users</u>	<u>Population</u>
Youtube	71 million,	29%
TikTok	54 million,	22%
Facebook	44 million	18%

(b) Fill up the yawning gap of gender discrimination

(Jobtech providing 45% jobs online to women)

(c) Provide better bridges to link up masses to government

(E-courts 2019, online complain centers)

(d) Facilitate nation with ~~the~~ advance ^{access} ~~tools~~ of internet

(CPEC: 820 km Fibre optics)

5 Conclusion

As water is an essential element for the living organisms, in the same way, a region is necessary for a nation. We never know the worth of water till the well is dry. Similarly, the people of Pakistan never know the worth of their country till it is defaulted. As Pakistan got independence on the basis of the principles that it will be a democratic state where people can live a smooth life. But, even Pakistan has facilities and all the armament is suffering from security issues. No doubt, Pakistan has a great asset of youth which is a plus point but in case of Pakistan. It is not only facing the gender discrimination but also suffering from the poor education system. The urban and rural areas find a great extent of gap as the urban areas are facilitated whereas rural areas are deprived of facilities. In addition the performance of institutions

so poor which is obviously a direct cause of good governance. Similarly, in lagging Pakistan backward there is contribution of environment as well. However, these all lacking can be covered with due initiatives as spreading awareness among masses through social media, and working on elimination of gender discrimination, providing better privileges to masses along with providing them platforms to counter the minor or major issues. Pakistan is a state that can be resembled to water and if we do not value water with its presence its ^{well} gets dry soon. Same is the case with Pakistan.

This maxim has the context of ^{the} worth of water but in this essay it is resembled with the country, Pakistan. Pakistan is the country, which the world knows has a great significance due to its geo-economical, geo-political and geo-graphical factors. Thus, the developed countries have the motive not to leave Pakistan in the list of deve-

developed countries and try to weaken her from all perspectives and obviously Pakistan is being seriously affected from this scenario.

Pakistan has gotten the charisma of being a ^{weak} democratic country. Unfortunately some serious and faded matters have dragged it backward and has led it from a democratic to ^{an} anarchic system of government in disguise. The lack of democracy can be visualized as **Pakistan ranks on 104/167 countries in democracy says Global Democracy Index 2023.** Thus, Pakistan is a fragile state in democracy.

In addition to, Pakistan is the state with a good state of armament even she is suffering from security issues. The serious threat has become a common phenomenon in the shape of attacks on the foreigners especially the recent attacks on Chinese engineers, Pakistan looks like a hub of terrorists. **The Center Research and secu-**

city studies (CRSS) highlights that 245 incidents took place in the first quarter of 2024 in Pakistan. This clearly shows how fragile Pakistan is even if being privileged with arms and nuclear weapons.

Besides, the unique asset of Pakistan is being wasted in the shape of brain drain or left in the darkness anonymous. Pakistan is the very country that can use this asset in a productive way but unfortunately the productive minds are leaving the country due to lack of good opportunities for them. As per the recent data 64% of Pakistan's population is below the age of 30 years, according to the Census of 2023). This asset is being deprived from the exact provision of opportunities as per for their requirements which definitely devalues their interest for their country and depart.

Moreover, Pakistan being an Islamic state fails in countering gender discrimination. There is a wide gap while prioritizing men and devaluing the true status of women in Pakistan almost in every walk of life. As per the record of **Global Gender Gap Report**: Pakistan ranks on 142/146 countries countering the gender discrimination. This ostensibly not meets the criteria of an Islamic state while balancing the provision of opportunities to all genders which are male, female, and transgenders. Thus, Pakistan has gotten a negative mark in gender discrimination case.

Apart from this, the poor education system is devaluing Pakistan. Its government's responsibility to provide a well standardized qualitative education to its masses like that of Finland which carries 98% of literacy rate. But, on the other hand, Pakistan's literacy rate is 62.5%, in which male literacy is 73% and female literacy rate is 51%. Government is only spending 1.77% GDP on education and 60 million people are out of school.

Says Economic Survey of Pakistan. As a result, Pakistan has a very weak education system.

In addition to this, in this era advanced era ... there is a yawning gap in the provision of qualitative education between urban and rural areas. In this era where education can be provided through online tools but Pakistan is still deprived in providing a good education in rural areas. As per the report the literacy in urban areas is 77% whereas the literacy in rural areas is 53%. Thus, the unequal provision of education a responsible factor in devaluing the worth of Pakistan.

Additionally, the poor performance of institutions also destabilizes a country. A country is well stabilized when the each department of the country performs its certain duty in a well manner.

As the Authors of the Book **Why Nations fail** say that prosperity of a country is dependent on institutions. Democracy fuels inclusive

institutions which are basic strengthened country, while illiteracy promotes extractive institutions which bound a country into vicious cycle of negative feedback loop.

Which means the poor performance of institutions is equal to the poor and destabilized country.

Furthermore, the lack of good governance is devaluing Pakistan's status. The honest leaders are a landmark on the progress of any country. But with the demise of the founding leaders of Pakistan, she fell into the dungeon of the bad governance and when sooner bad governance prevails, corruption in the country increases.

According to **Corruption Perception Index Report**, Pakistan ranks on 140/180 countries in the world.

Thus, the lack of good governance is lack of good state.

In addition, the poor environment of a country is a leading factor in devaluing a country's status. The lack of awareness among masses that how to improve their environment comes from education, and Pakistan lags behind in

in this case. According to the report Pakistan is the second most polluted country in the world just trailing behind Bangladesh, says World Air Quality Report of 2023.

The above mentioned paragraphs dealt with the why we never know the worth of water and ~~in~~ the upcoming paragraphs ~~we~~ will deal with 'How' worth of water can be valued before the well dries.

Undoubtedly, with the spreading awareness through social media a positive wave can result in knowing the worth of the country. There ~~is~~ ^{is} a negative side or aspect of the country which can be turned out in a positive aspect with the awareness of 'that a nation is made up by its masses'.

According to Data Report Digital Pakistan, Pakistan's Social Media users are as listed:

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with this strong asset the positive message can be spread easily to the every corner of the country.

Besides, filling up the yawning gap of gender discrimination way for the prosperity of the country will be paved. The gender discrimination is a huge barrier in the prosperity of the country. Countries like Finland are less gender-biased and they are well progress. According to a report

Women are being provided job opportunities with their skills on the online platform like jobtech. Such initiatives can fill up the wide gap and all genders can play their positive role in the pathway to prosperity.

In addition, providing better bridges to link up masses with government can ease up and help the government to gain the confidence of masses. There should be platforms where the masses can register their complaints and government should immediately take action on them. As **E-courts 2019** is a platform where masses can register their complaints online.

Along with, the government should facilitate nation with advance access of internet. With the access of a good internet masses can benefit not only in the field of education but also in trade and other fields.

As CPEC mission has resulted 820 Km Fiber optics in Pakistan. Similarly, such other steps should be taken which fulfill or cover up the entire country with the coverage of a good internet.

To wrap up, the value of our country has been devalued due to a large number of responsible factors which may lead our country to the edge of default. The factors are as lack of good governance, corruption, low quality education, gender discrimination. However, these can be covered up and the worth of the country can be known before it defaults and there is hope or light at the end of every dark tunnel.