

Paper-II (Short Note: 20 Marks)

Q: Write down short note on the following:

Islamic Political Ideology:

Islamic political ideology integrates Islamic teachings with governance, emphasizing the implementation of Sharia (Islamic Law) in public and private life. It advocates for a political system based on moral integrity, justice and equity, often envisioned through the historical concept of a Caliphate.

"Islam is not a religion of peace, but it is a religion that aims to establish peace through justice"

(Ali Shariati)

This ideology aims to create a society guided by Islamic values while accommodating diverse communities. Modern interpretations seek to reconcile these principles with contemporary democratic frameworks.

Key Aspects of Islamic Political Ideology:

1. Sharia Law:

It is the central to Islamic Political Ideology is the implementation of Sharia (Islamic Law) which governs both personal and public aspects of life, including legal and ethical norms. Sharia aims to ensure justice and moral guidance.

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2. Caliphate System:

Historically, the Caliphate was a political religious state led by a Caliph, considered a successor to the Prophet Muhammad (SAW). It represents a unified Islamic governance model.

"Caliphate system established in 661 CE by Muawiyah I, the Umayyad Caliphate lasted until 750 CE, with its capital in Damascus."

3. Islamic Justice:

It emphasizes fairness and equity based on Islamic teachings, focusing on social justice and the protection of rights for all individuals. Islamic justice also incorporates elements of mercy and the opportunity for repentance, allowing for the possibility of forgiveness and self-obliteration.

4. Governance Principles:

Islamic governance includes principles of consultation (Shura), accountability and leadership by virtue and piety.

5. Political Authority:

The legitimacy of political authority in Islam is derived from adherence to Islamic Law and the moral integrity of leaders.

Political authority is a trust that must be exercised with integrity and justice (Allama Muhammad Iqbal)

6. Role of Religion:

Religion is intertwined with politics, guiding legislative and administrative decisions to ensure they align with Islamic values.

"Religion shapes the soul and influences the path we take in life" (Rumi)

7. Community Welfare:

It focuses on the collective welfare and well-being of the community, emphasizing moral and ethical responsibilities.

Do not use one word headings. They should be elaborate and self explanatory

8. Pluralism:

While Islamic political ideology promotes Islamic values, it also includes provisions for respecting non-Muslim communities within an Islamic state.

"In a pluralistic society, the strength lies in its diversity" (Mahatma Gandhi)

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