

Elections are the only
solution of multi-pronged
problems of Pakistan.

Outline:

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1. Introduction.

Thesis Statement: Pakistan is facing a lot of problems. These problems are the result of lack of awareness, social norms, political instability and security issues prevailing in country. Elections are one of the solutions but awareness and reforms in policies are also required along with them.

2. Multi-pronged problems that Pakistan is facing.

3. Reasons of problems that must be tackled to resolve these problems.

a) Lack of awareness among people which leads to global warming and pollution.

b) Social norms which leads to gender inequality.

- c) Security issues which are the reasons of economic crisis.
 - d) Political instability which leads to chaos in country.
 - e) Governance crisis which leads to low literacy rate.
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4. How elections are the solutions of these problems.

- a) New government can eliminate pollution through green technology and innovation.
- b) Elections empower women.
- c) New government can apply new ideas and concept to enhance ^{uplift} economic level.
- d) Elections are the way of political stability.
- e) New provincial government can work in the education sector through new policies.

5. Other solutions required with elections.

- a) awareness among people about

global warming

- b) Destruction of social norms to empower women in real sense.
- c) Proper ^{practical} policies to counter security threats
- d) Structural reforms in the institutions of Pakistan.
- e) Integration of technology in educational sector.

6. Conclusion.

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There is a famous proverb, "There is a solution to every challenging situation" by Lailah Gifty. Pakistan is facing a lot of problems these days. But as from the (4) proverb, it is clear that one should focus on the solution of problems, not on the problems. Pakistan is facing low problems such as low literacy rate, lack of foreign direct investment, gender inequality and political instability. The reason of these problems are low level of awareness among the people, social norms, governance crisis and security issues that are prevailing in the country. Elections ^{is} ~~are~~ the one of solutions of these problem but awareness and structural reforms are also needed to resolve the problems of Pakistan. Through elections, new government will be establish in Pakistan. New government can eliminate or reduce pollution

through green technology and innovations. Literacy rate and economic level can be increased by the new 5 concept and new ideas. E-governance empowers women by giving them authorization or participation in decision making. But e-governance is not the only solution of these problems. Awareness of people, destruction of social norms, and proper practical policies to tackle security threats and reforms in institutions and educational sector. So, problems of Pakistan cannot be resolved only by election but societal and institutional reforms are also needed.

The author, Anatol Lieven wrote in his book, "Pakistan: A Hard Country" that "Pakistan is divided, disorganized, economically backward, corrupt, violent, unjust and home of to extremely dangerous forms of extremism and terrorism and yet

it moves and is in many ways surprisingly tough and resilient, as a state and a society." As it is clear from this book that Pakistan is facing a lot of problems. The solutions of these problems are awareness among the people, societal and institutional reforms and elections.

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Due to lack of awareness among the people, Pakistan is facing problems like global warming and pollution. Carbon dioxide which is the main reason of global warming is adding in the atmosphere of Pakistan by the burning of fossil fuels. Majority of farmers of Pakistan burn the wastes of crops in the open air, These are the consequences of level of awareness. Floods, the one of the consequences of global warming has destroyed the infrastructure of worth of billions

of dollars in 2022. Lahore is the most polluted city of the world, according to the report of WHO 2023. So, Lack of awareness among the people is creating a lot of problems that Pakistan is facing now.

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Social norms leads to gender inequality in Pakistan. Maliha Lodhi wrote in her book, "Pakistan: Beyond the crisis state" that "Pakistan is an economically backward country that suppress women and facing governance related problems." Due to the patriarchal society, Maliha Lodhi said this in her book. In the tribal areas of Pakistan, it is considered immoral to give equal chances to women in education and work force. Due to these social norms, Pakistan is at the second last number in global gender gap index 2022.

Pakistan is facing economic issues due to security issues prevailing in the country. Revival of TTP and Afghan refugees crisis are the main reasons of security threats in Pakistan. These security threats are the reasons of fluctuations in the foreign direct investment (FDI) in Pakistan in last few years. According to SBP, the foreign direct investment in 2023 (8) was 1.8 billion dollars. So, security issues are the reasons of economic crisis, that Pakistan is facing.

Political instability leads to chaos in country in last few years. Any country is properly governed if there is political stability exists in that country. The political crisis is the main ~~reason~~ reason lack of perform of institutions and retrogression

In the speed of progress of Pakistan.

Governance crisis and lack of serious implementation of policies cause low literacy rate in Pakistan. According to report, the literacy rate of Pakistan is 47% of women and 59.3% of men. Lack of serious ⁽⁹⁾ implementation of policies is the major of this low literacy rate in Pakistan. Due to low literacy rate, the youth of the country become a burden for a country instead of becoming a source for progress. So, governance related issues are also being faced by Pakistan.

Electrons can be the solution of these problems. New government can eliminate or reduce pollution and global warming through green technology and innovation. After

elections, every government work for the betterment of the people. Global warming is an international issue, the collaboration with the other countries can resolve this problem more efficiently. And collaboration is done by the heads of governments. Elections can give a way to this collaboration.

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Elections give room and chances to new ideas and concept. The author, Anatol Lieven wrote in his book, "Pakistan: A Hard Country" that "Democracy is a form of government in which one person of you can make a small amount of people for large time, or large amount of people for small time but one person cannot make a large amount of people for a large time." As Pakistan is a democratic country, people choose their representatives

from themselves on which they have to think. New ideas and concepts, that people will think, have the ability to resolve their problems will be encouraged through elections. So, elections will encourage new concepts for the betterment of Pakistan.

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Elections empower women.

According to the constitution of Pakistan, there ^{must} should be minimum 10% representation of women in voters of any constituencies.

By votes, women can choose their representatives which will make policies for them. According to

Rubina Saigal, "Empowerment of women and politics are very closely ~~sets~~ attached with each other." So, elections will be a

salvation of suppression of women in the society.

Elections leads to political stability in the country. Political stability and elections are both comes parallel. In the case of Pakistan, the current chaos of political situations will be resolved through elections. Elections will perform government in centers, at provinces level and even at the local level.

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Educational sector is now under the control of provincial sector after 18th amendment in the constitution of Pakistan. The elections will perform new government in the provinces that government can work for the betterment of educational sector through new policies and ideas. For example, in the 1990s, South Korea underwent democratic reforms and in 1997, Kim Dae-jung became the president. His government implemented a series of reforms

known as the "Educational Reform Plan," aimed at improving the quality and accessibility of education in that country. So, election can increase the literacy rate of a country.

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But the elections are the not only solution of the problems of Pakistan. Awareness among the people about the global warming and health related issues due to pollution is also very important. Awareness of people in the a major tool in dealing with any problem. Educational seminars, talk shows and media should be used to aware people. Noam Chomsky wrote in his book, "Manufacturing Consent", that "Media is a tool to construct the perception of society." So, people must be aware about the consequences of global warming through different means.

Destruction of social norms is needed to empower women in real sense. The author, Anatol Lieven wrote in his book, "Pakistan: A Hard Country" that "In Pakistan, Constitution is rigid and present in written form ~~but~~ and the social norms are unwritten. But the social norms prevails more strongly than constitution in Pakistan". To empower women, the ideologies that women belong to homes and cannot work must be deconstructed. Social norms and ideologies are hinders the speed of progress of country.

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Proper practical policies must be implemented to counter security threats. Security is very important to resolve the problems of Pakistan. Because security issues are giving birth to other major issues. Strict policies must be implemented

to counter them. In the case of Colombia's, Colombia faced decades of internal conflict involving insurgent groups and drug cartels. That issues ~~was~~ were resolved by strict inclusive strategy. So, security issues must be restored to solve the problems.

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Structural reforms are needed in the institution of Pakistan. Institution that are facing issues must be reformed.

The author said in "Why Nation fails", "The institution must be exclusive, inclusive institutions ~~are~~ ^{is} one of the reasons of failure of a nation."

Integration of technology in the educational sector is also very important to resolve the issue of education in Pakistan. The world has become global village. The educational

of the developed countries is a mixture of technology and textbook. The integration of technology in education is very important.

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In the conclusion, Pakistan is facing many problems such as global warming, gender inequality, political instability and economic crisis. The main reasons are lack of awareness among the people, lack of serious implementation of policies and security issues. Election can resolve these problems by new ideas and concepts, by empowering women and by resolving security threats but not completely. Awareness of people, destruction of social norms and integration of technology in educational sector are also needed to fully solve the problems of Pakistan. It can be done because as the poet said "It is never