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Judiciary and ineffective governance

It is imperative to strengthen the judicial organ of the country in order to consolidate the ineffective governance. The judiciary is facing a number of problems including a large number of backlog of cases, delayed verdicts, negligible woman representation, politicization, etc. All these problems, together, are adding up to the ineffectiveness of the governance in the country. To this end, the government must firstly depoliticize this institution. Moreover, it should work on building the organ's capacity by fulfilling personnel requirements and bringing in the advanced AI technology. In addition to this, it needs to step up its efforts to increase woman representation in the institutions. All together, these measure will give a strong impetus to the judicial domain, resultantly improving the ^{weak} governance structure in the country.

Democracy and authoritarianism

In the recent time, democracy's suffered a significant blow because of growing wave of authoritarianism. Indeed, both are inherently anti forces; and with one's gaining power, the other one weakens. Democracy has recently been facing a threatening regression as most leaders are adopting the populist mindset and exploiting nationalistic sentiments. One of the best example for this deterioration of democracy is India. The ruling government of BJP has constantly fuelled the nationalist tendency in masses in order to garner victory. In its two prominent actions of demolishing Babri Mosque and introducing CAA - 2019, the government sparked patriotic elements, while alienating a certain segment. Such steps immensely ~~democracy~~ render democracy ineffective and further empower the vice of authoritarianism.

Ineffective judicial system.

There is an enormous need for strengthening the judicial system of Pakistan in order to ensure justice is served in a timely manner. Unfortunately, the judiciary is facing two-pronged problems. It is unable to dispense justice to the aggrieved in an expeditious manner, and people are showing & decline in their confidence towards the institution. The sorry state of the judiciary is apparent/evident from the fact that the institution is burdened with a colossal pile of backlog of cases. In the words of the current chief justice, there is a big number of 3.5m cases in the backlog. It thus, reflects that the country needs to consolidate ~~the~~ judicial institutions in a bid to provide timely and impartial justice to the masses, while rebuilding the public's confidence.

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Controlled media and bad governance

Absence of independent and free media is also responsible for the prevailing bad governance in Pakistan.

The sorry state of affairs of media is evident from the fact that it has been only feeding news and information to the masses that is dictated and provided by certain quarters in the country. One mainstream political party has constantly been marginalised and sabotaged. The recent report by the 'Reporters without borders' has ranked Pakistan at 152nd in the world. It has also asserted in the report that Pakistan is one of the most dangerous countries for journalists. Lack of freedom to media is giving space to conduct of practices against public welfare. People are unable to receive correct information and express their dissent. As a result of controlled media, the issue of bad governance continues to linger on in Pakistan.

FATA's ~~merge~~ merger & the failure of government

The ongoing sinister wave of terrorism in the areas of former FATA is reflecting the failure of the government to fulfil its yet another promise. At the time of the merger of FATA with KPK province, the reason was cited that the step would help in countering terrorism and developing the region. Unfortunately, the region has yet again descended into grim situations as within merely five years, the menace of terrorism has returned with an alarming strength. People hailing to the area are again facing the agony of terrorism, which is once more rattling the social fabric in the said region. Nearly five years have passed, but the FATA's dismal state of development is ^{still} prevalent. This underscores that the merger of FATA with the KPK has so far failed to achieve the purpose for which it was enacted.

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Deteriorating governance

Establishing the writ of government is a much-needed step to improve the deteriorating governance in Pakistan. Writ of government, in general terms, refers to the upholding and respecting of the laws and powers designed by the government in order to govern and facilitate the general public. Unfortunately, the writ of state in Pakistan mostly remains to be a far-fetched aspiration. Its miserability is evident from the fact that only about 2% people are taxpayers in the country. Such a grave disregard to the rules and laws of the country is resolutely surfacing in the form of bad governance. Thus, any bid on the part of the government to strengthen its democratic governance requires it to ensure writ of the state is well-established in the country.

Elected local governments

Similarly, it is also essential to set up elected local governments to bolster the working governance in Pakistan. Historically, a lot of efforts have been made to establish a strong local governments system in the country, but they have mostly remained fruitless owing to various reasons - more particularly the unwillingness of politicians and the tacit opposition by the bureaucrats. Article 140(2a) of the constitution requires the government to form local governments of elected individuals and delegate political, administrative and financial power to them. Unfortunately, this article has not yet seen implementation in true sense. When these powers will be devolved to local levels, public services will improve and development will flourish, thereby leading to overall improvement in the governance structure of the country.

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Digital terrorism

With a malicious aim to destabilize Pakistan and villainize the military as an institution to the public, digital terrorism is being conducted. The simplest explanation of this novel concept of digital terrorism is that "an act of propagating fake and hateful information against the state and its institutions. Basically, social media give a great degree of leeway to people to believe in whatever manner they want. Emboldened by this latitude, people, especially those, who are against Pakistan, are peddling fake news and arbitrary content. In particular, it is the institutions of military that is on the radar of these hostile actors. In the first quarter of this year, according to official statistics by the PTA, it has banned 1.25m websites and accounts because these were involved in spreading anti-state content and ^{abuse} contemptuous towards the institutions. It limpidly reflects the rising digital terrorism, purported at ^{impairing} the ^{the} ^{state's} ^{institutions} -