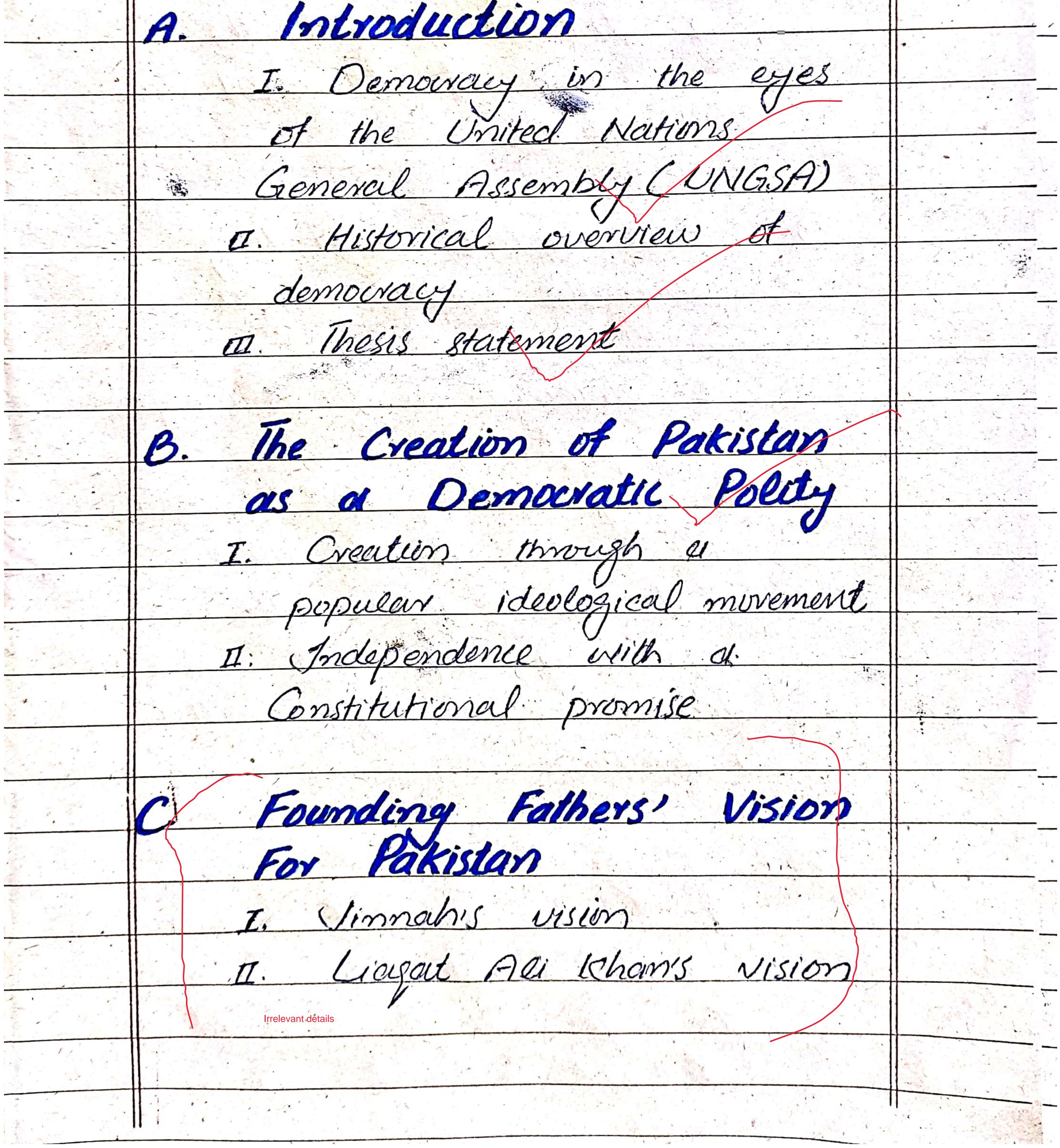
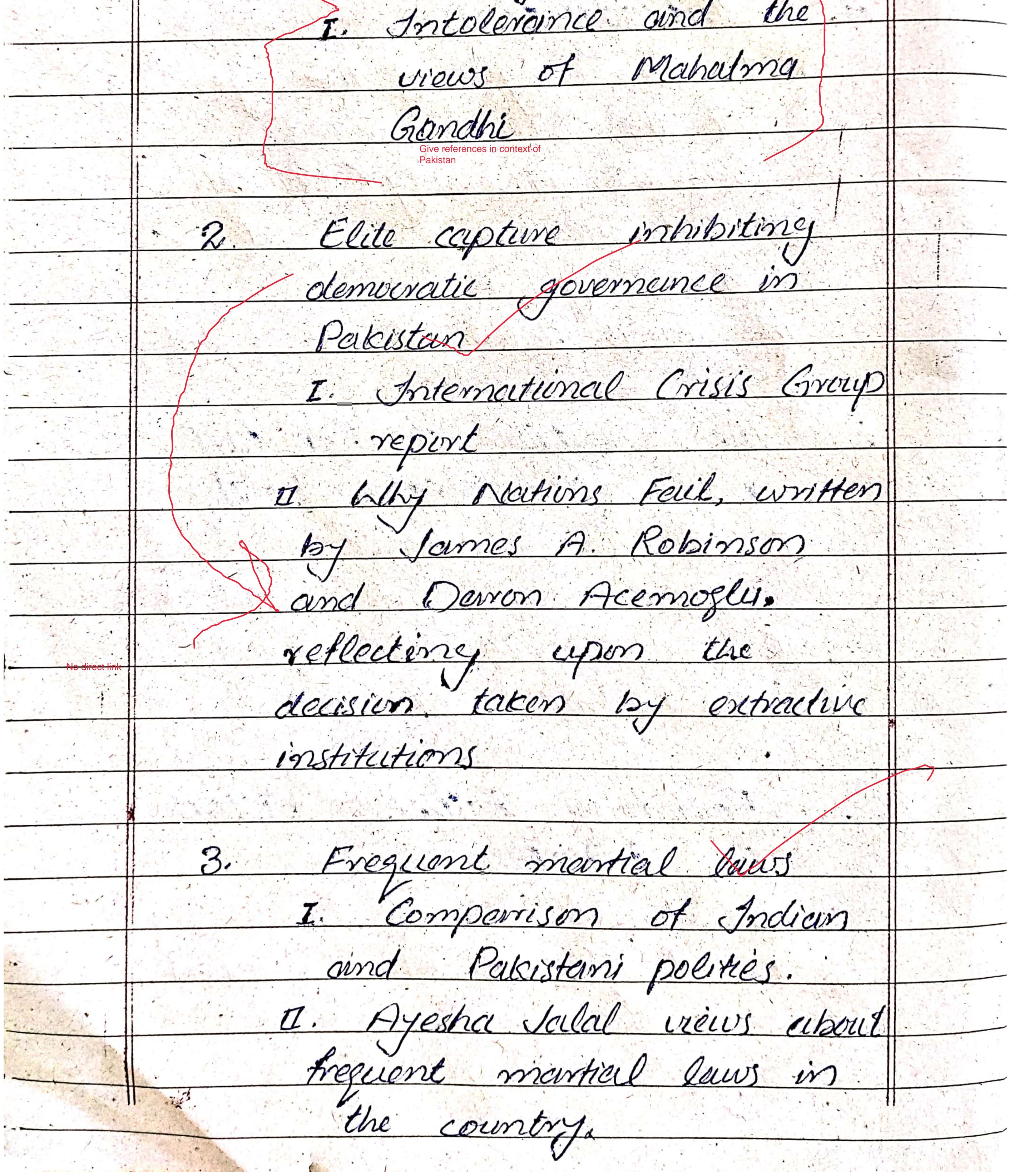
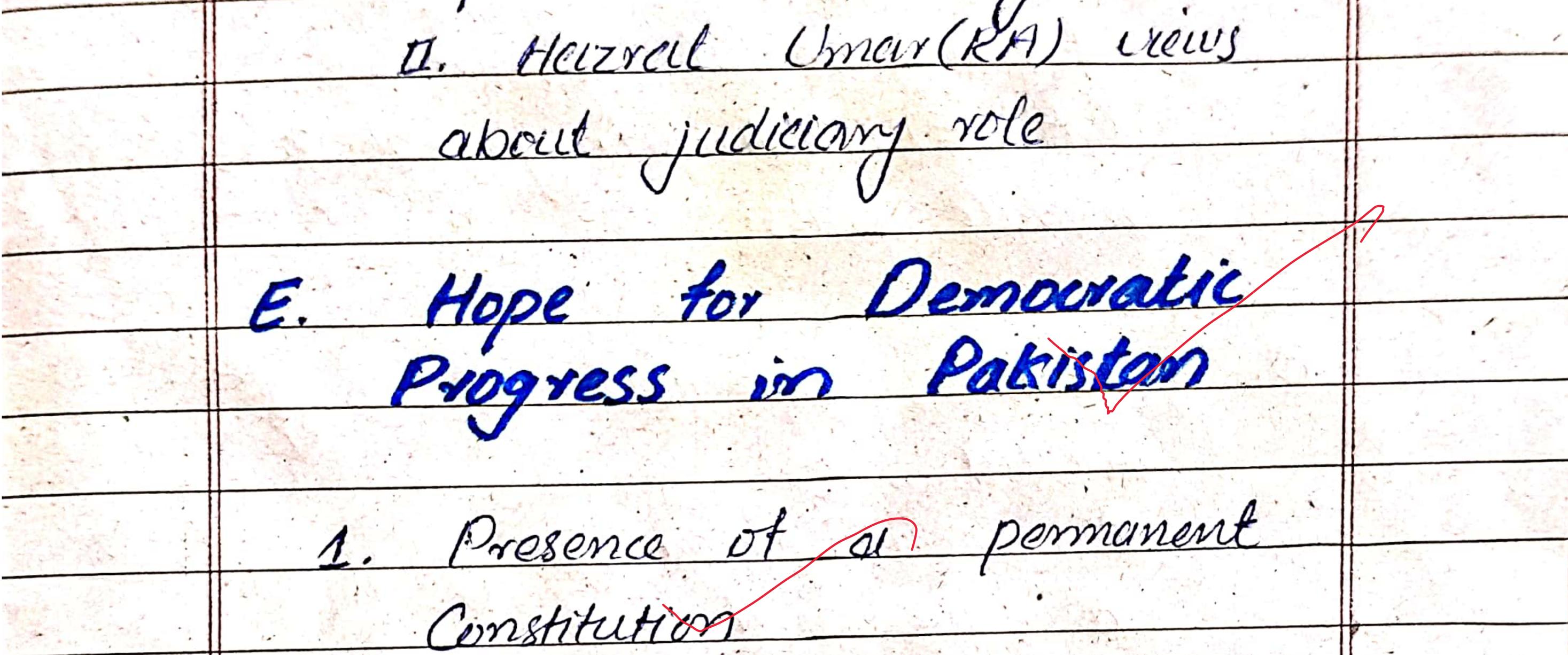
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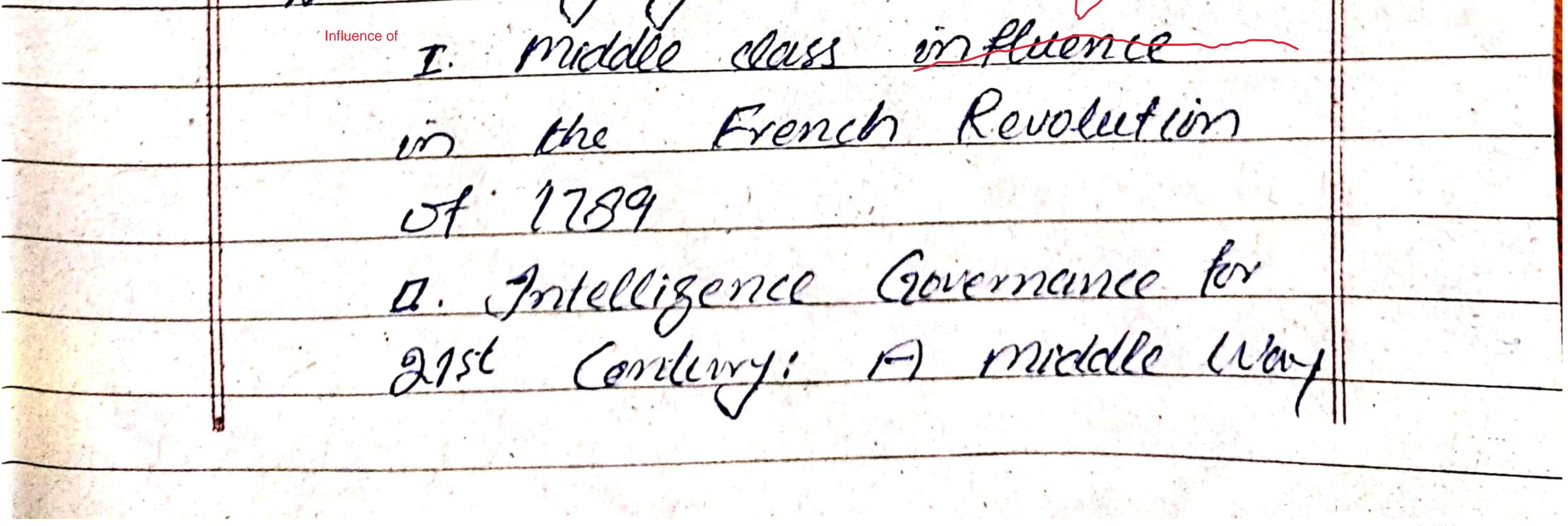
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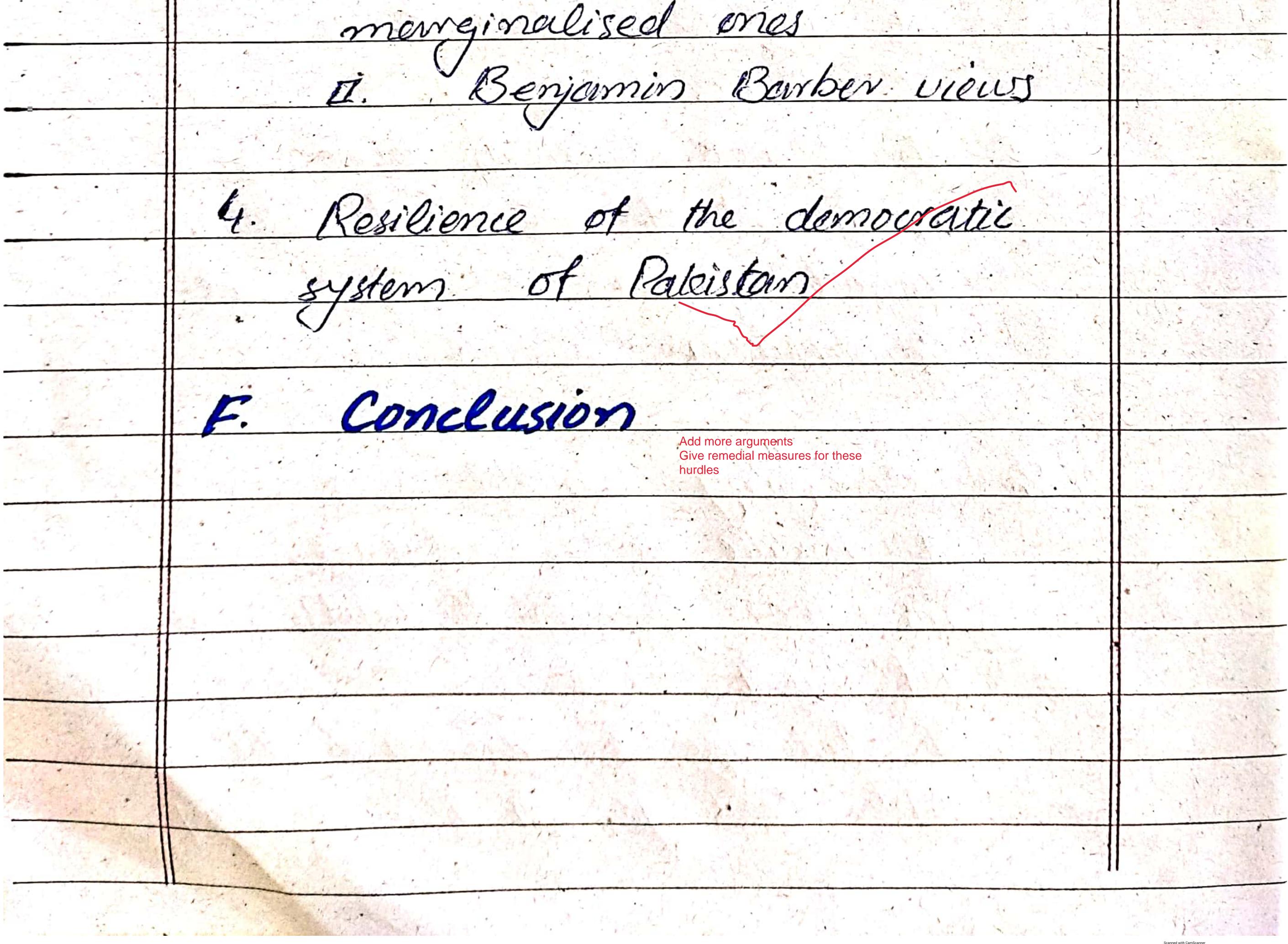
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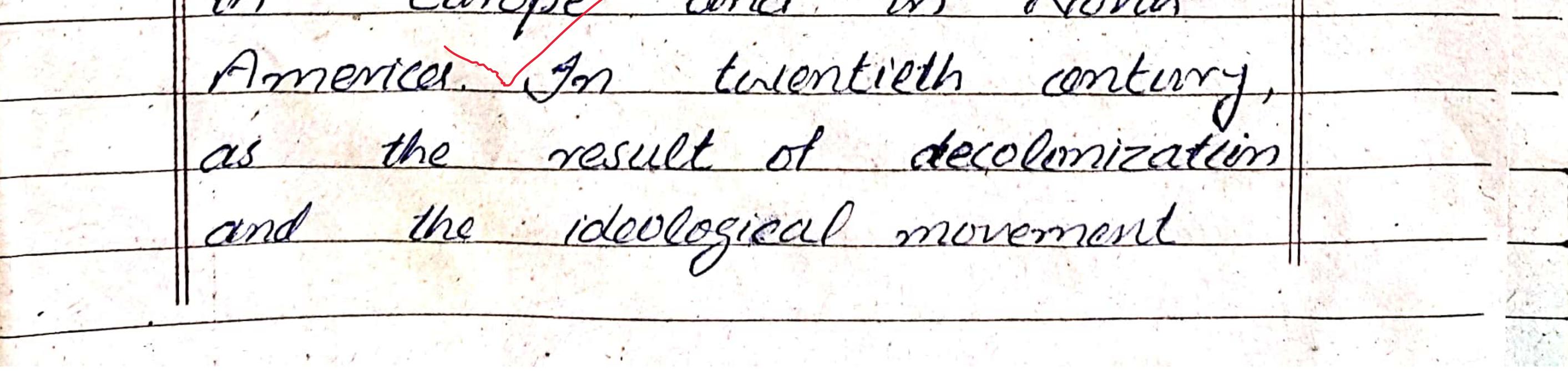
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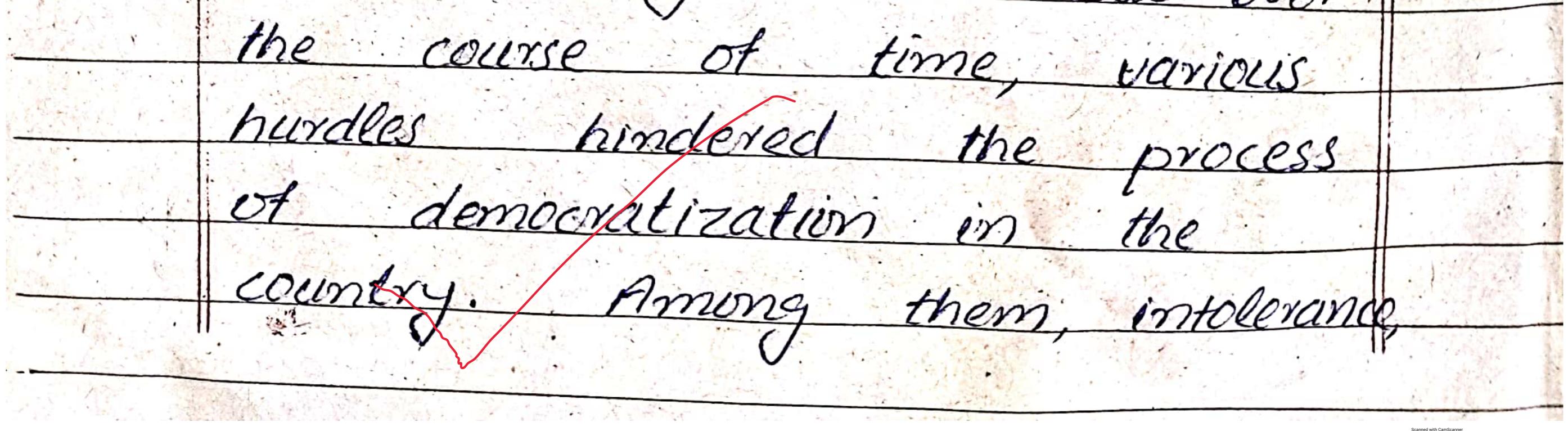
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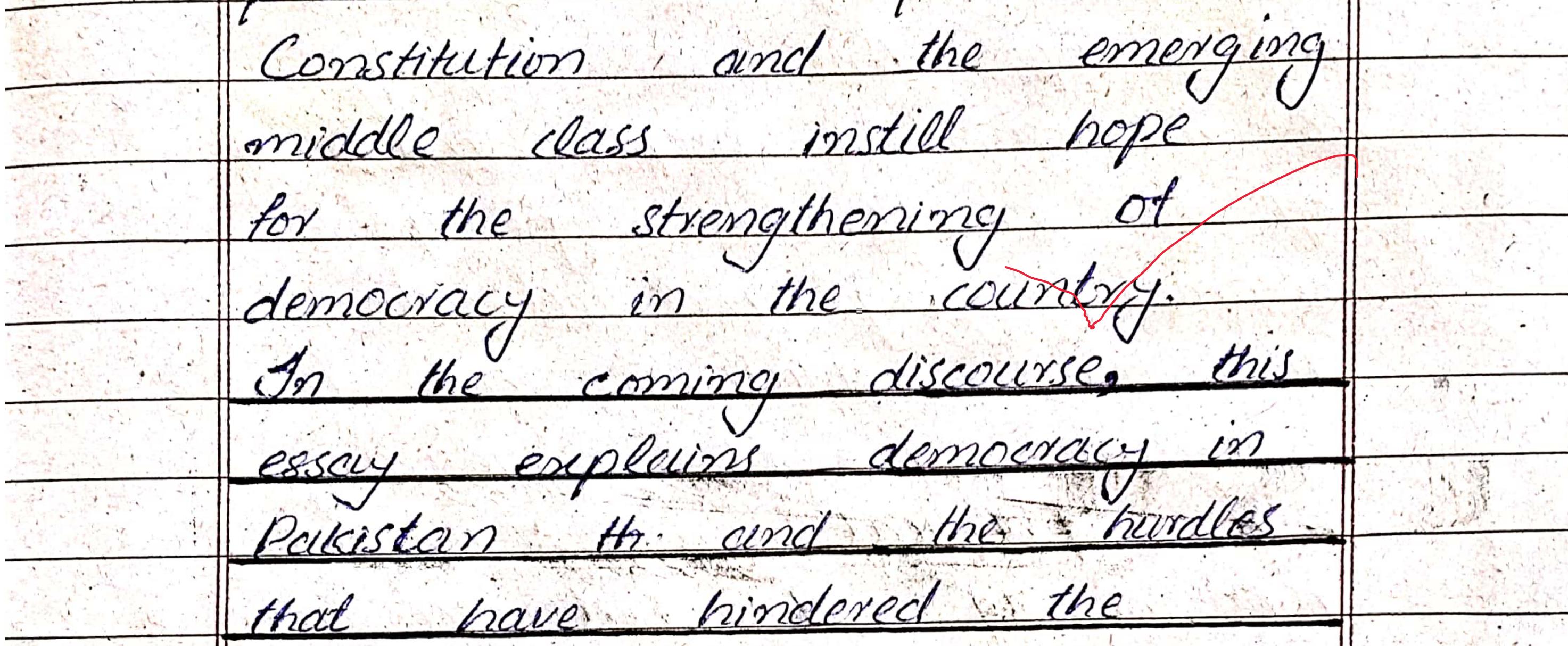
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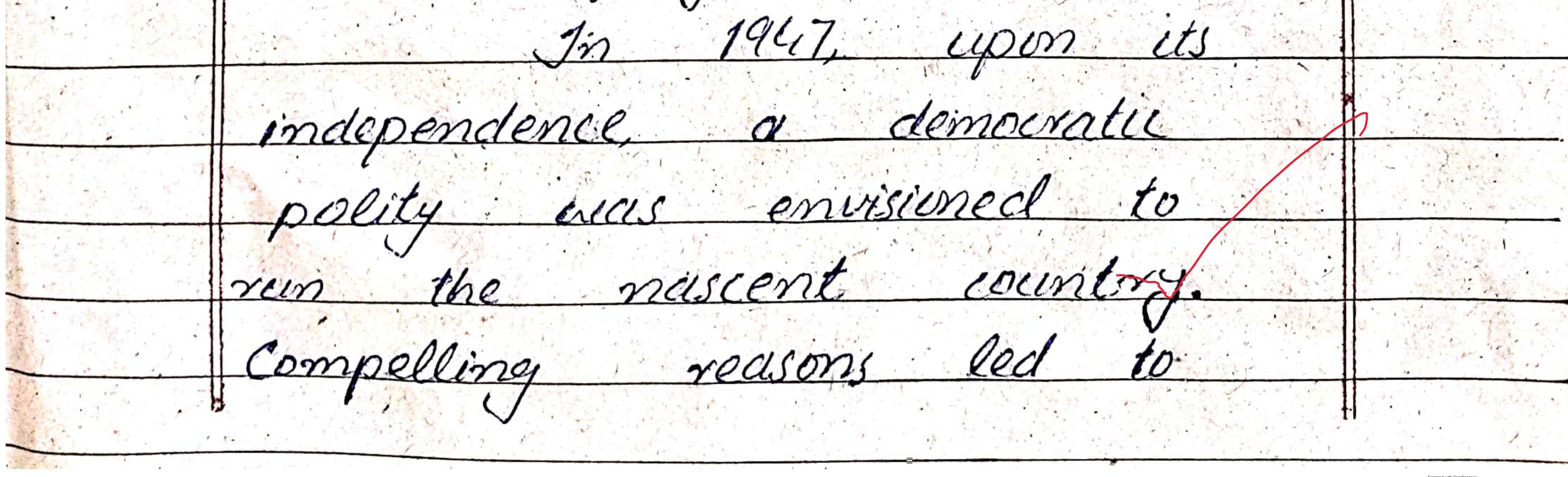
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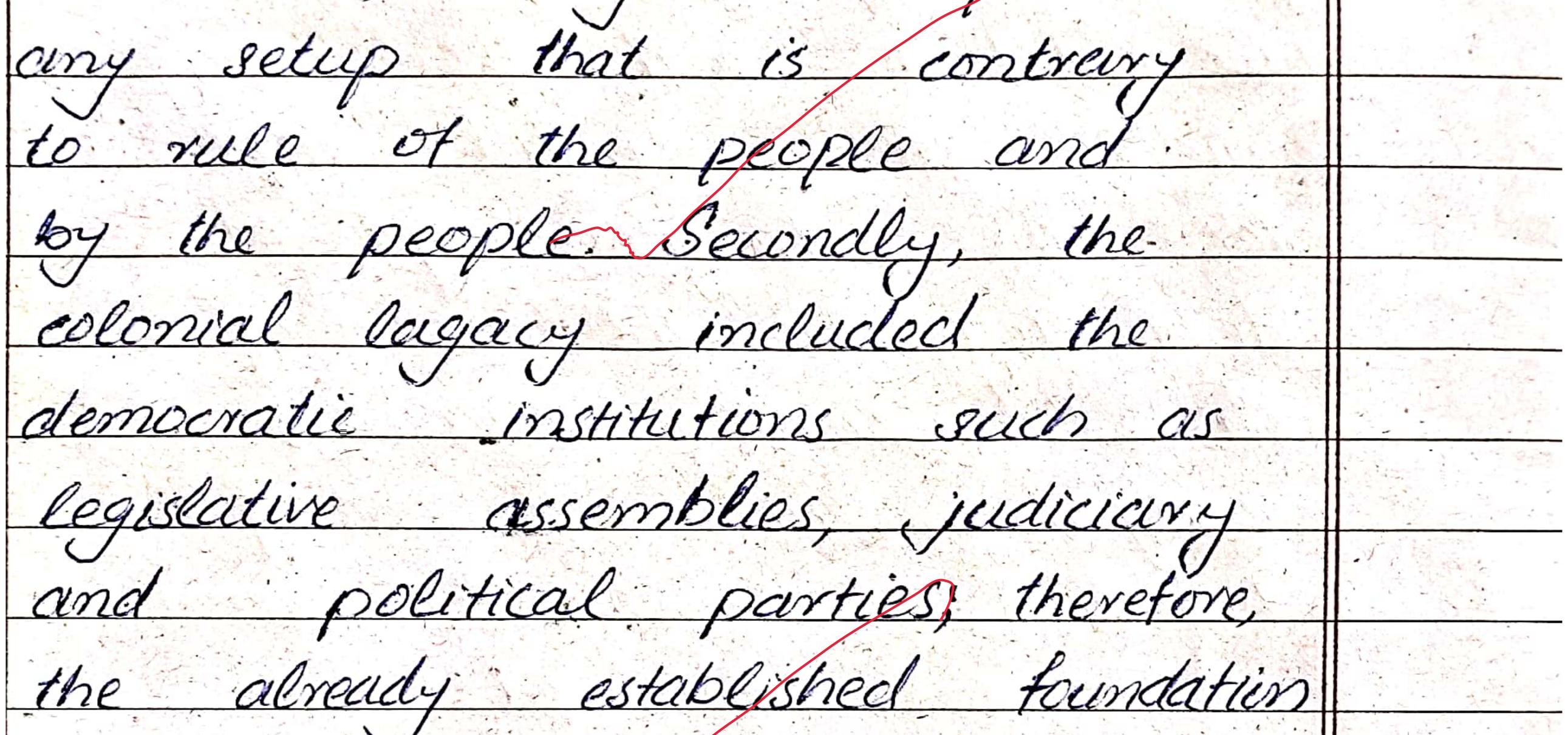
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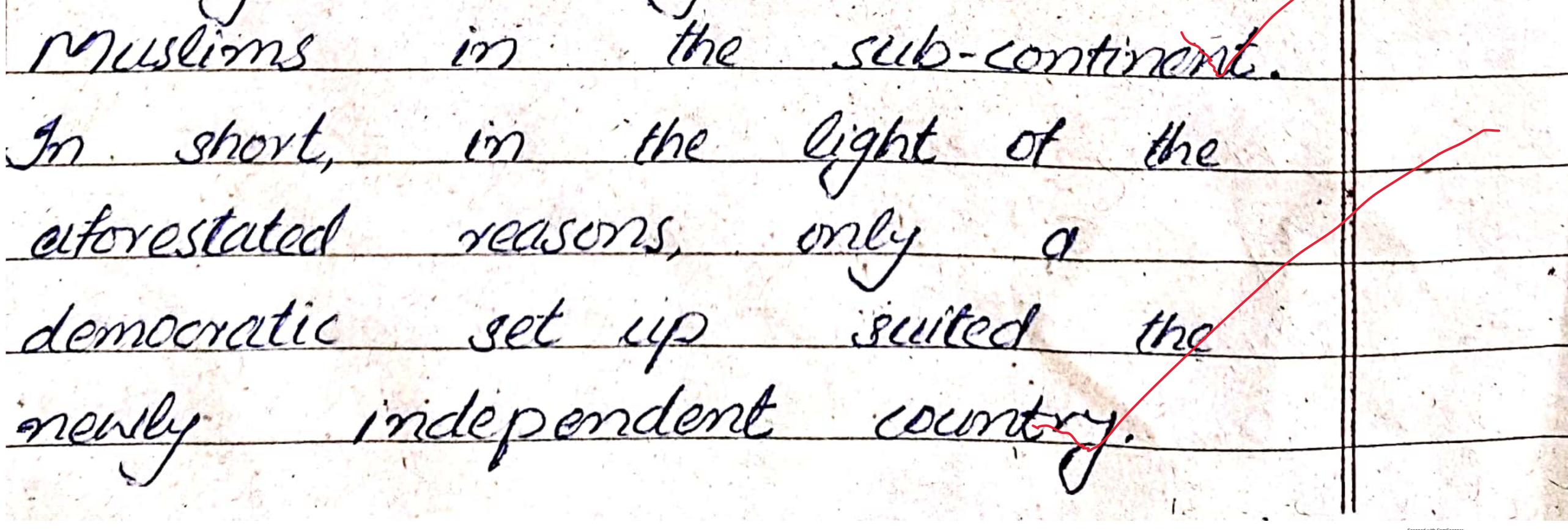
democratic progress of the country; moreover, it also addresses certain factors having the to enable the potential its dream achieve country i fully democratic evolving into the giving hope FOY democrati



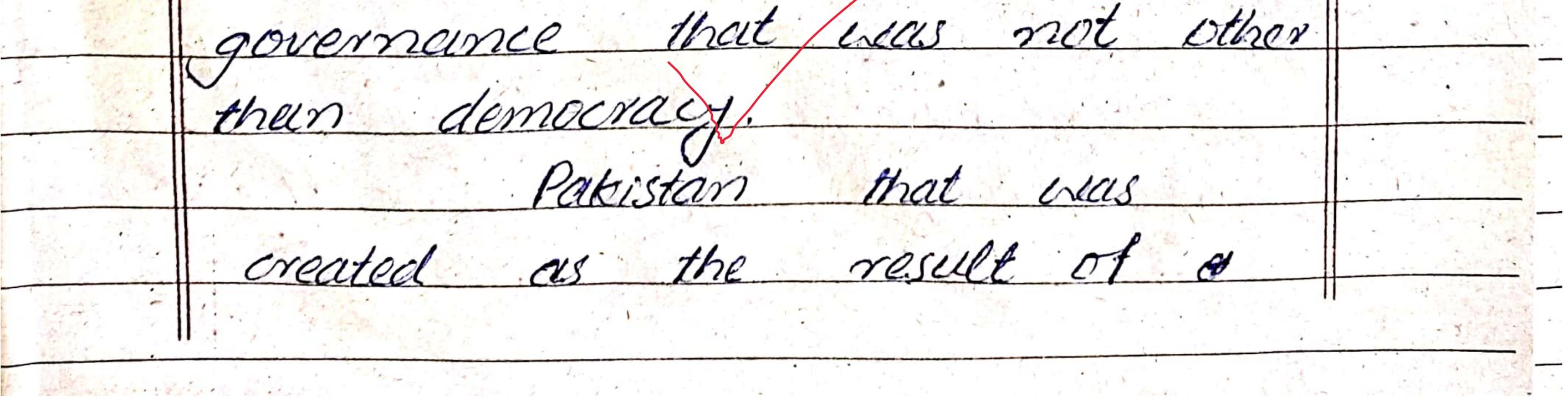
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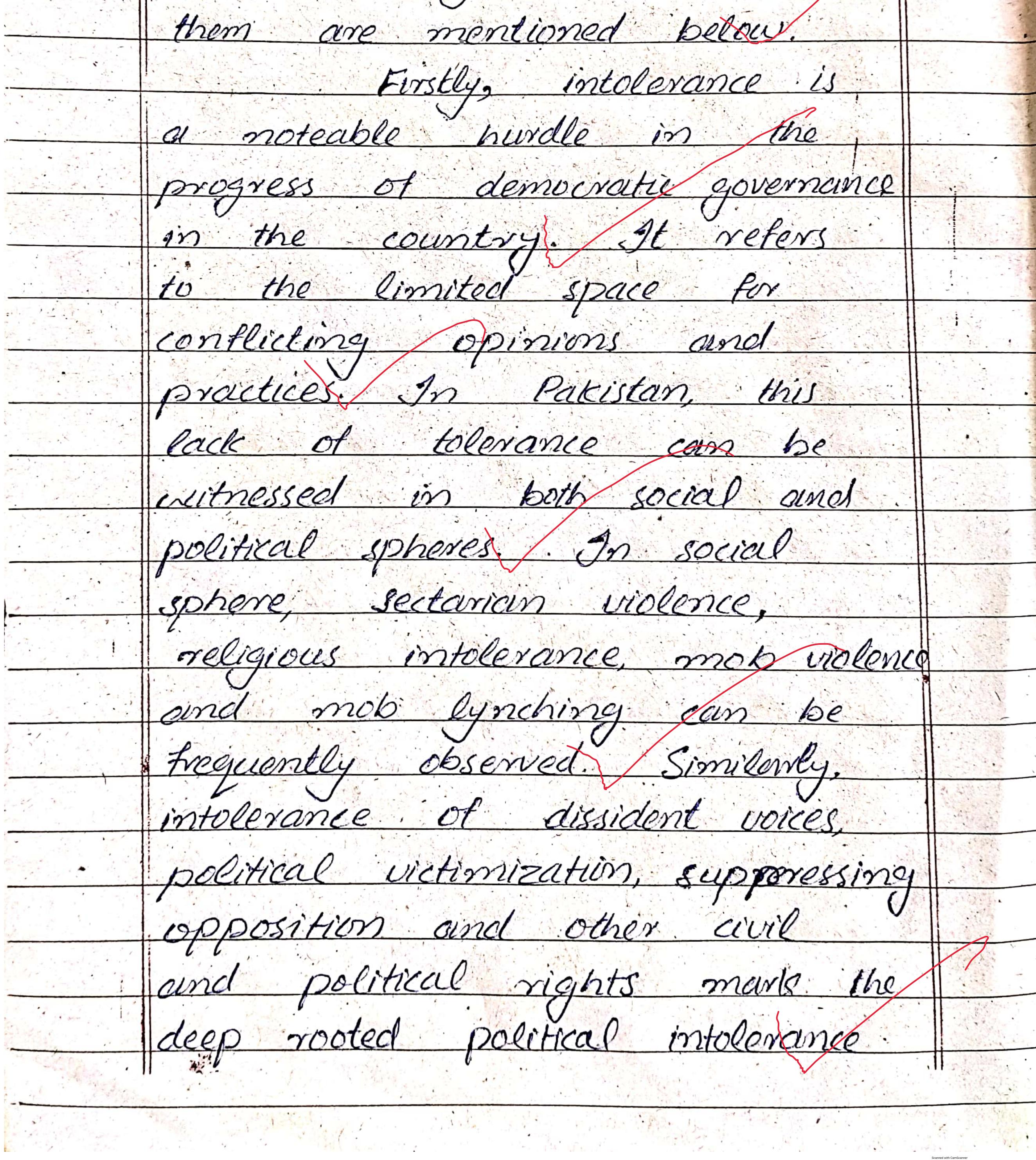
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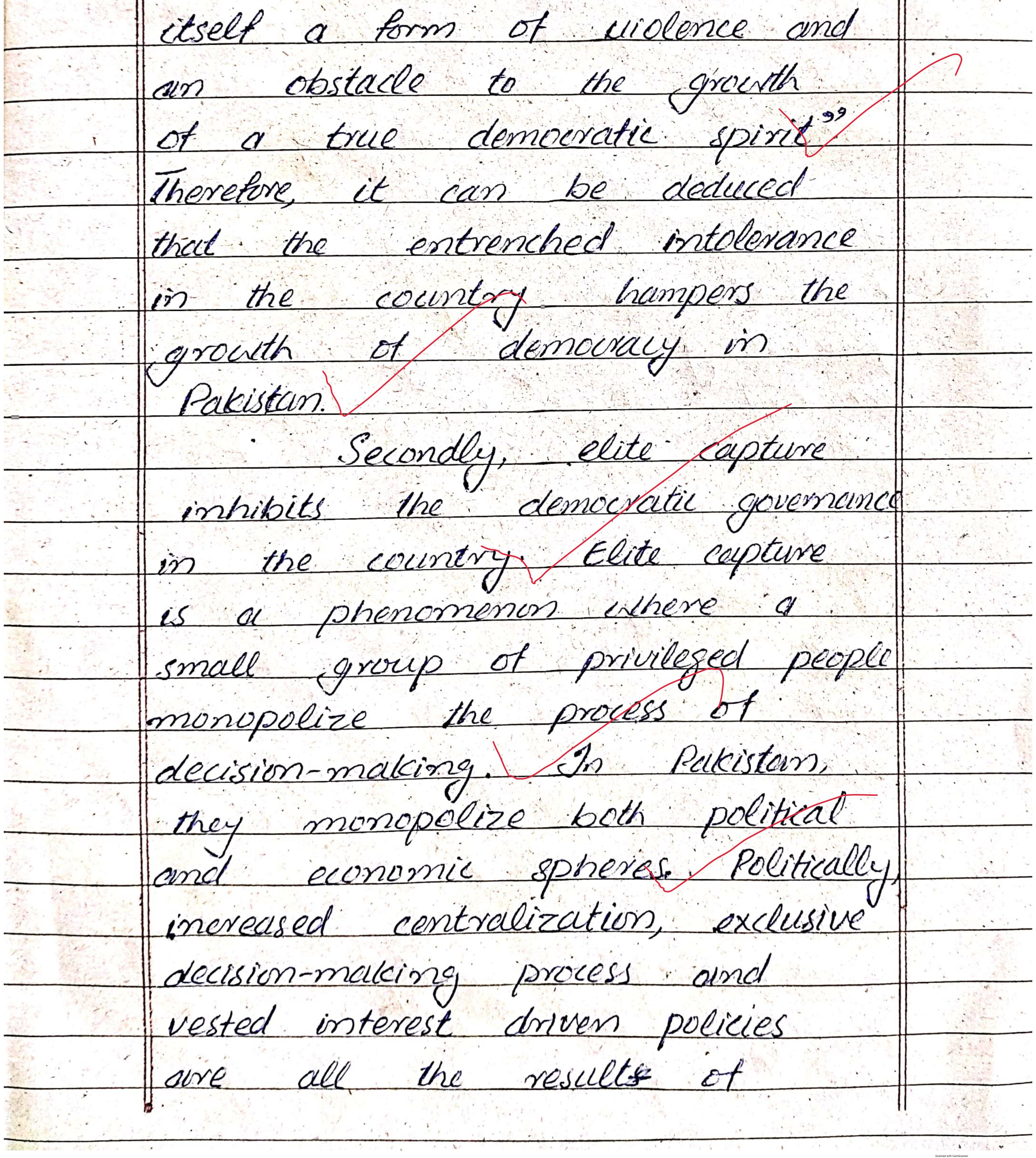
Date:_ Keeping in view the aspirations of the people and the needs of the country the founding fathers duly idealised a democratic polity For Pakistan, Abdul Satter, in his book Pakistans Foreign Policy, states Jinnah's concept of Pakistan as a muslim, liberal, democratic and modern nation-state? Similarly, Licigat. Ali khan, the first prime minister of Pakistan, envisioned Pakistan as a progressive democratic polity founded on the Islamic principles of social velforre, religious tolerance and equal rights of all citizens. To sum up, the views of the founding fathers provided much needed insights for the Future course of the



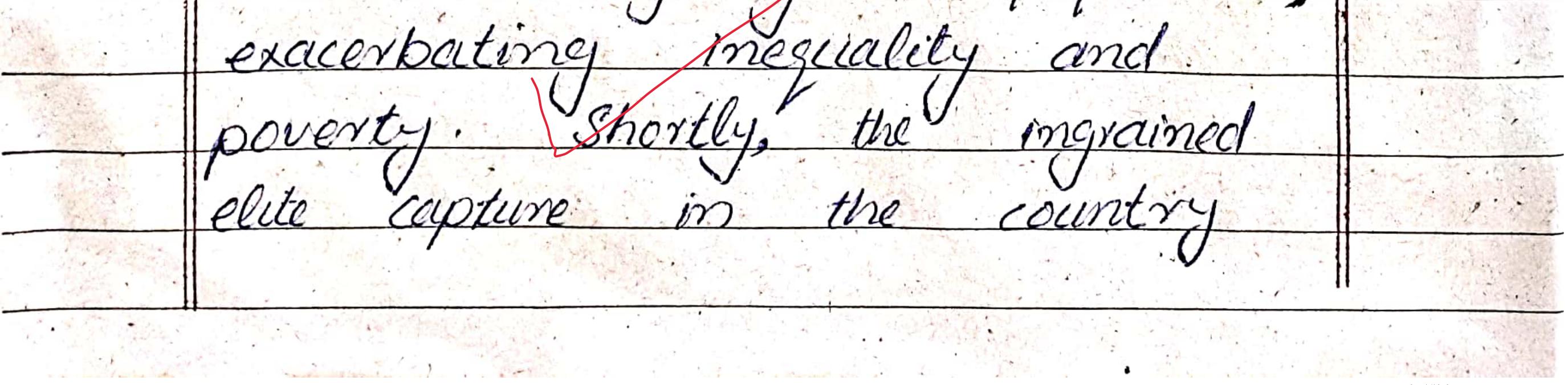
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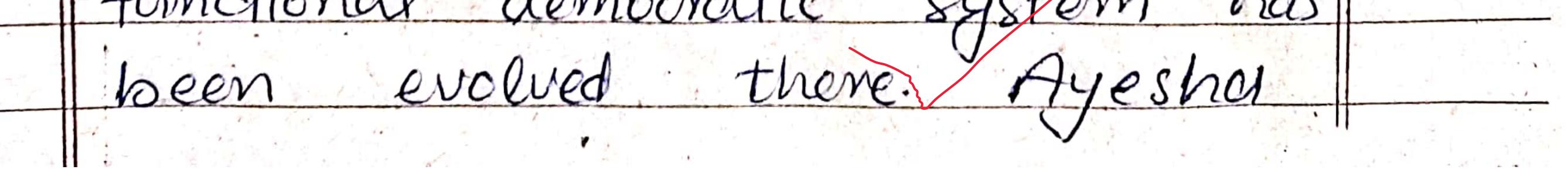
Date:_ This malign intolerance undernings basic democratic principles of mutual respect, open dialogue and peaceful coexistence. Mahatme Gandhi said: Intolevance is



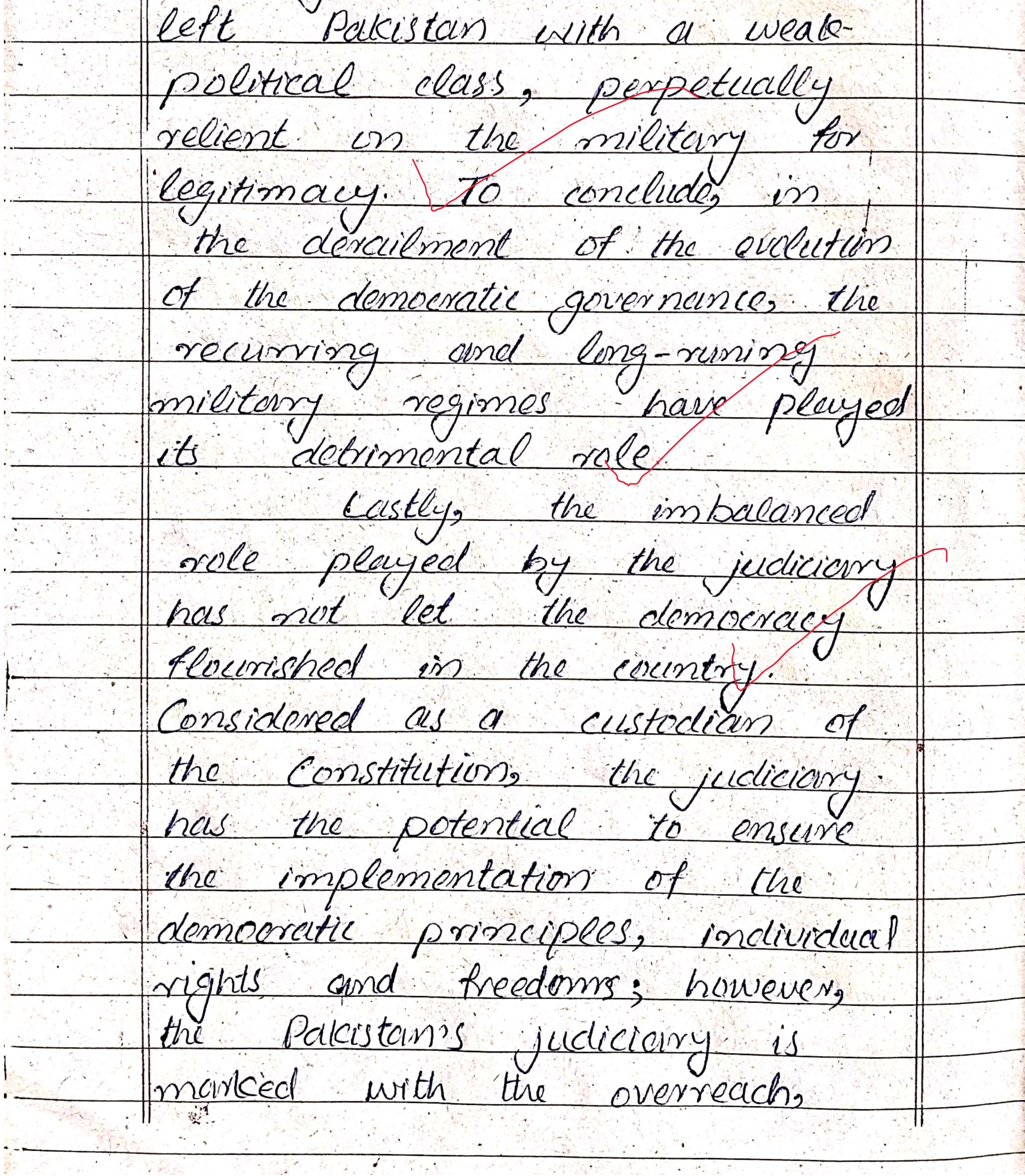
Date:_ elite apture, reakening the vital democratic principles of inclusivity, effective representation, and transparency. The International Crisis Group report. Pakistan: The Elite Capture of the state has big highlights that the elite capture has adversely impacted the governance and democratic practices in Pakistan. Moreover, economically, the prevailing inequality in the country which has obvious political repurcussions is a consequence of élite capture, leading to impoverishment in the country As why Nations Fail by Daron Acemoglo and James A. Robinson addresses the impacts of extractive institutions where the policies favors the few over the majority of population,



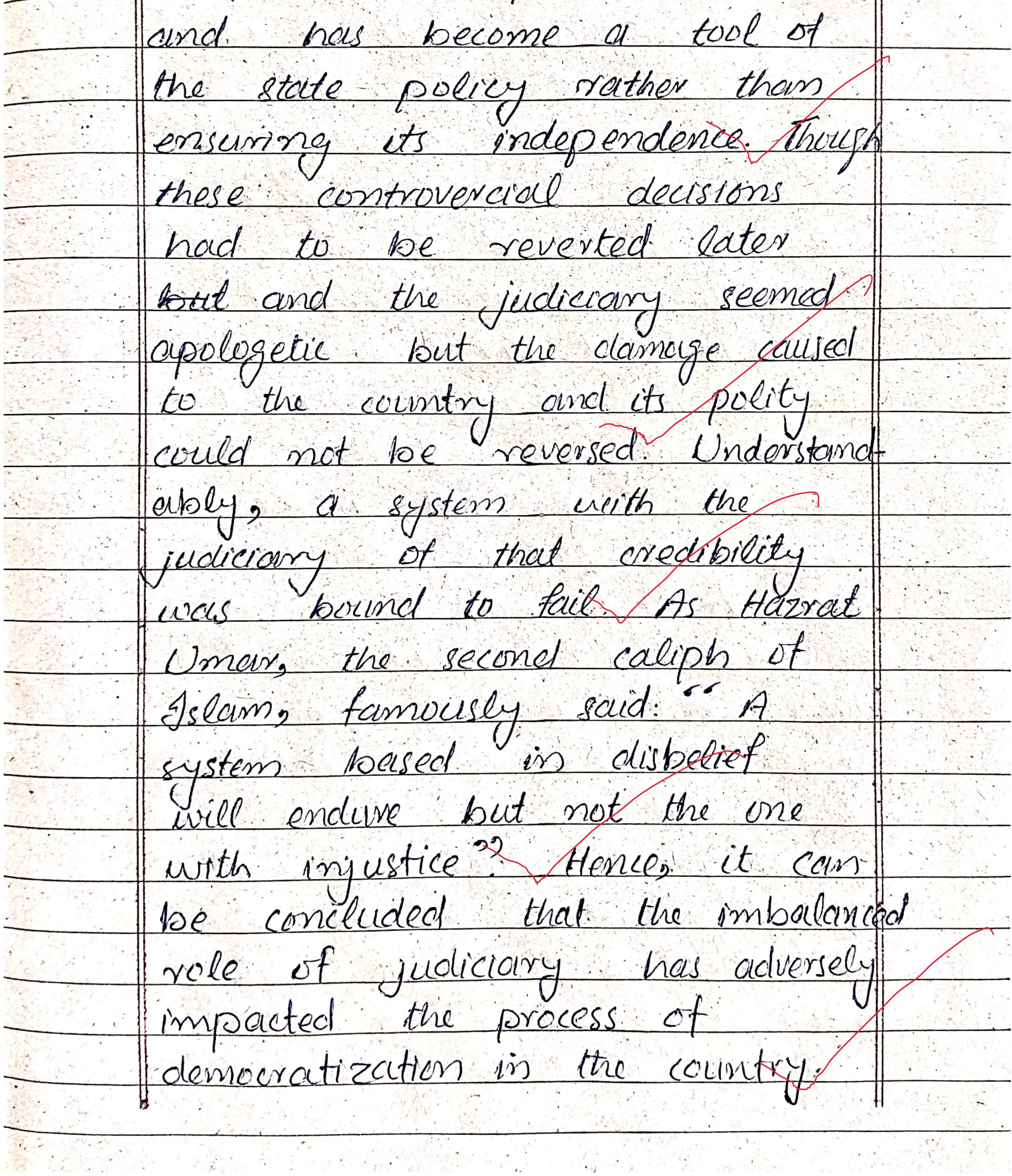
has obstructed the flourishment of democratic norms in the country. Thirdly, recurring militairy interventions have creakened the democratic process in the country. Over its life span, almost half of the the country has directly been ruled by the military; moreover, in the remaining years the military interferred in civilian affairs in various shapes. Analysing its direct and indirect role, the military the rule has derailed democratic process, curtailed freedoms, abrogated constitutions, sidelined democratic leaders and centralised the decision-making Porocess. Conversely, India having a shared history with Pakistan has never witnessed à nationide military coup; therefore, a functional democratic system has



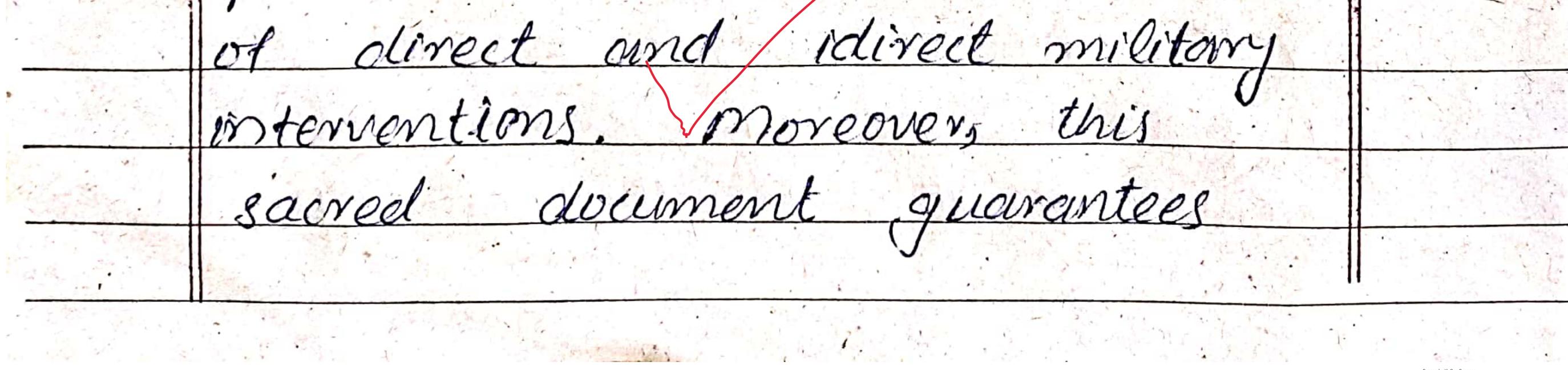
14 Date:_ Jalal in her book. the Struggle for Pakistan: A Muslim Homeland and Global Polities claims that the frequent military interventions have



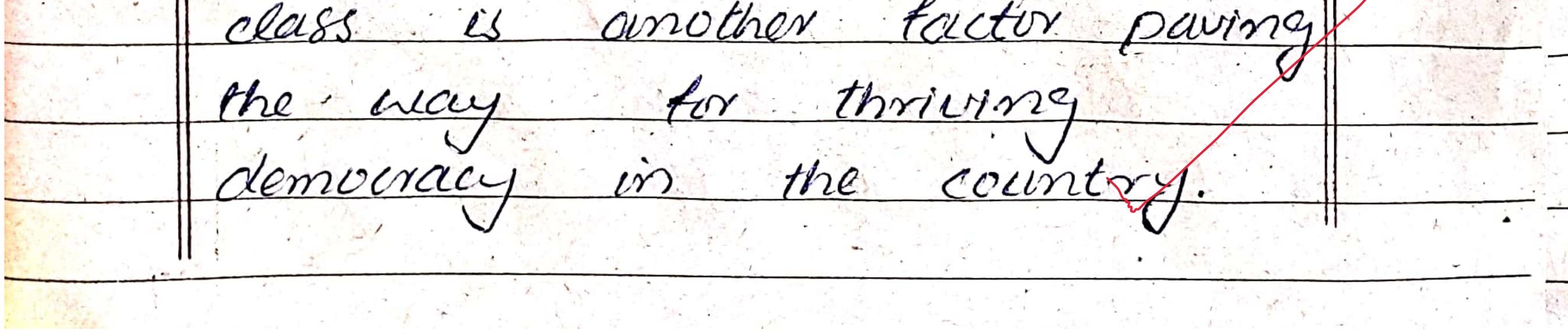
Date:_ politicization, and often compliance with the executive and military An its controvercial history, it has validated martial laws, sacked elected prime ministers



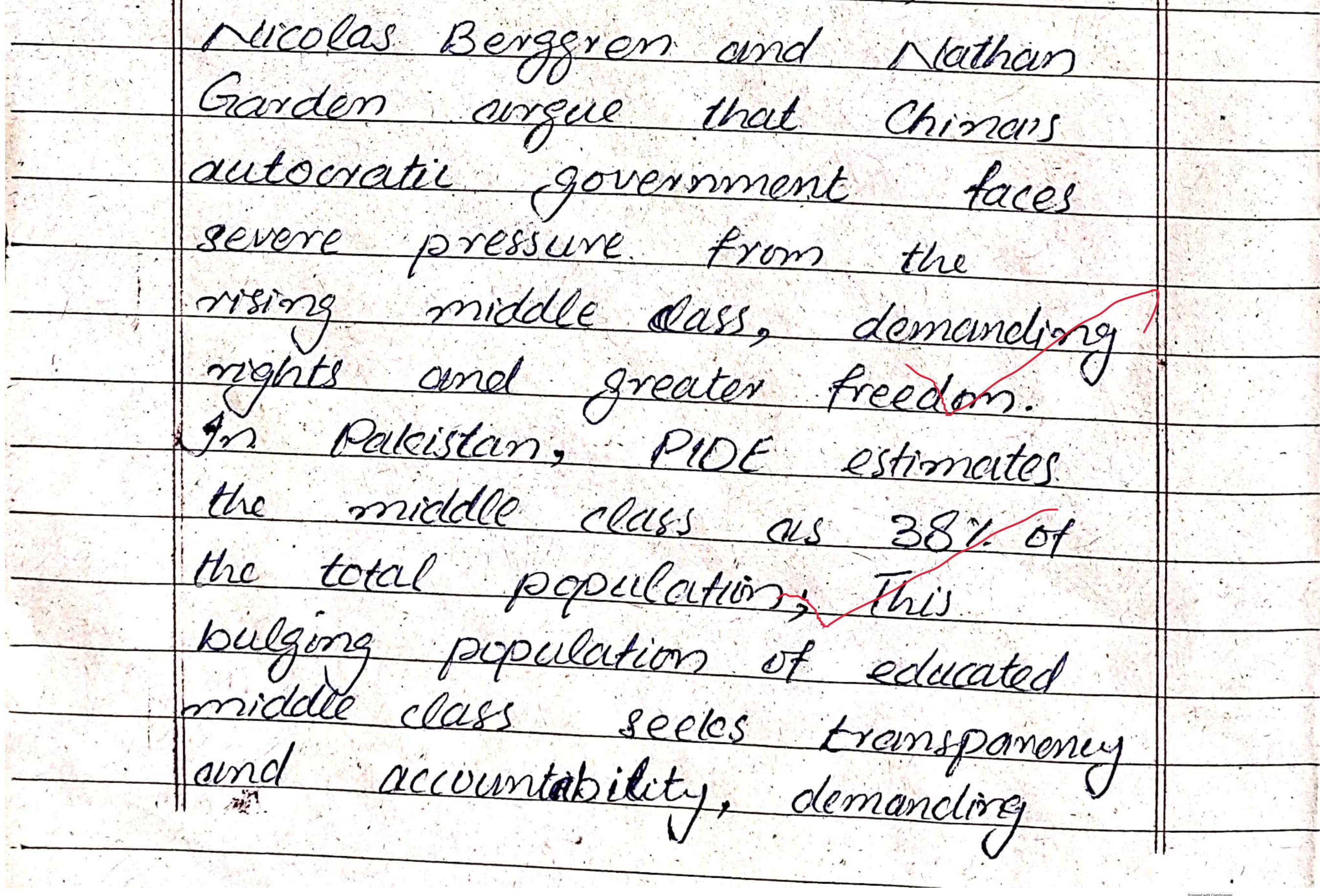
Date:____ In the above pareigneiphs, it has been proved that the democratic process has been hindered; in the coming discussion, certain factors aire highlighted that instill hope for the democratic progress in the country. To mention a tews the presence of a permanent Constitution in the form of the. Constitution of 1973 is a hope for the democratic grouth of the country. Though the country has been governed under various constitutions like the Act of 1935, the Constitution of 1956, and the Constitution of 1962 But the Constitution of 1973 is a home-grown, the first Formulated by an elected assembly and the one that proved resilient in the face



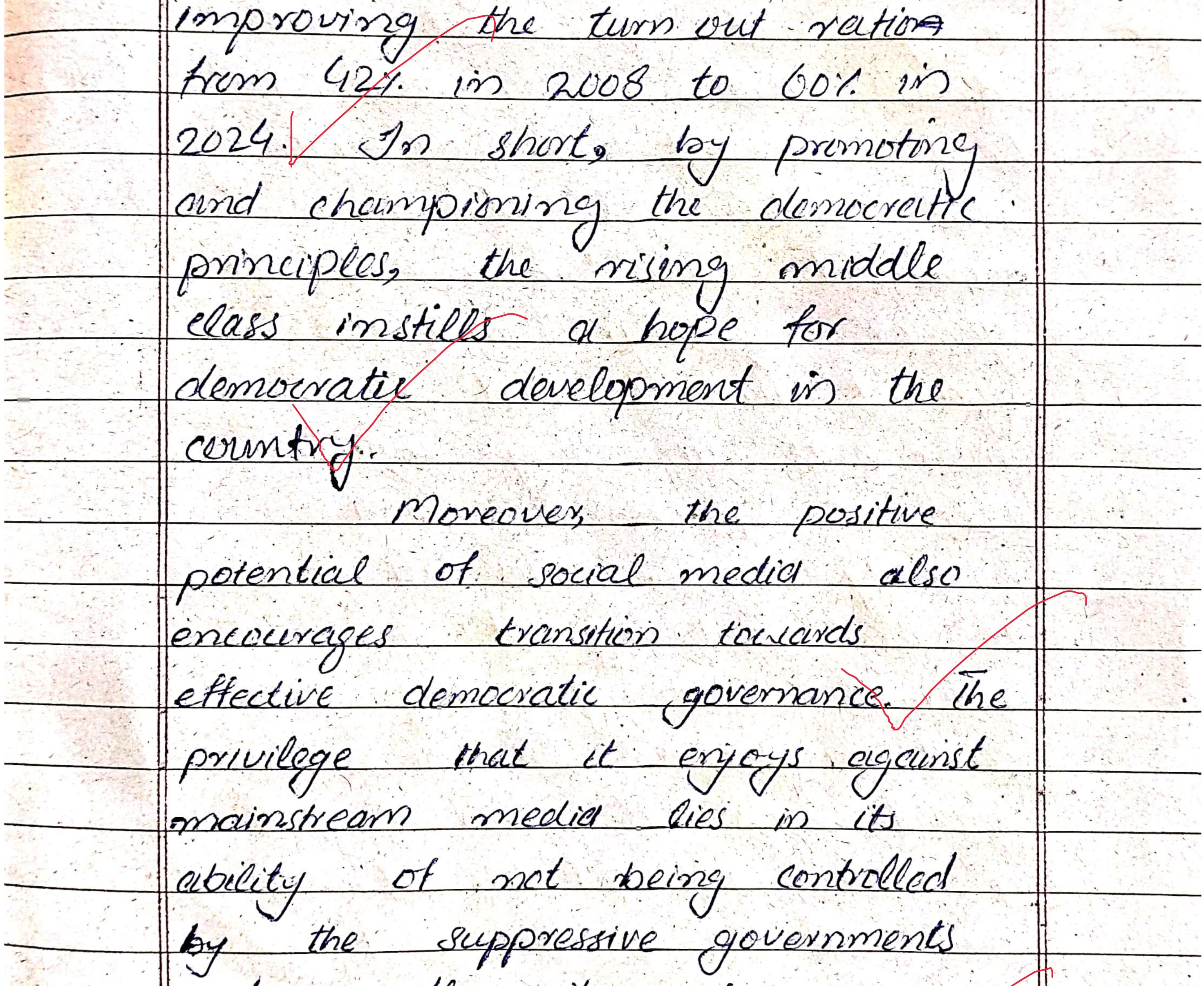
Date: provincial autonomy, a system of checks and balances, fundamental rights and freedoms, and mights of minorities; therefore it is widely accepted across the country. Even the most disquintled voices, particularly those in Khyber Pakhtunkhurg and Balochistan also demand full implementation of the Constitution and seek their rights accordingly. This unanimous recognition of the Constitution sets a stage for democratization in the country. As Bourak Obamel, the former president of the United States, says Constitution is a foundation upon which democracy is built? Hence, 1973 constitution gives a glaring hope for democratie progress in the country. The emerging middle



Date:___ Keeping the alorlates history in view, the elites have mainly the penefactors of the system and so tried to maintain the status gao. On the other hand, it has mostly been the middle class that pressed for change and reforms, as evident from the historic Erench Revolution of 1989. Similarly, in the Book Intelligence Governance for 21st Contury: A nouddle Mary between West and East, the authors,

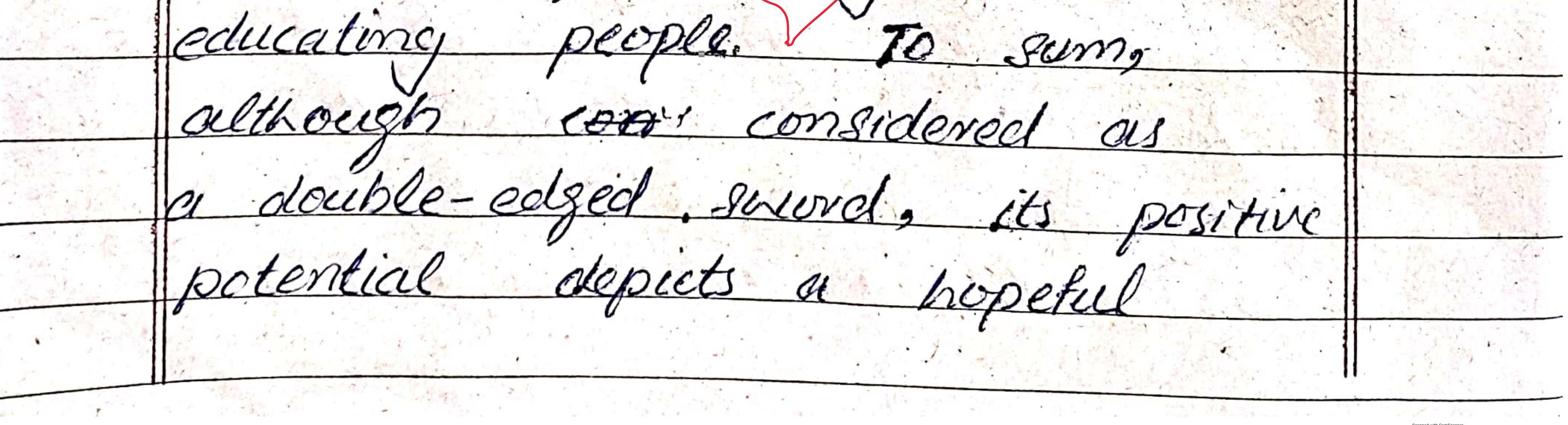


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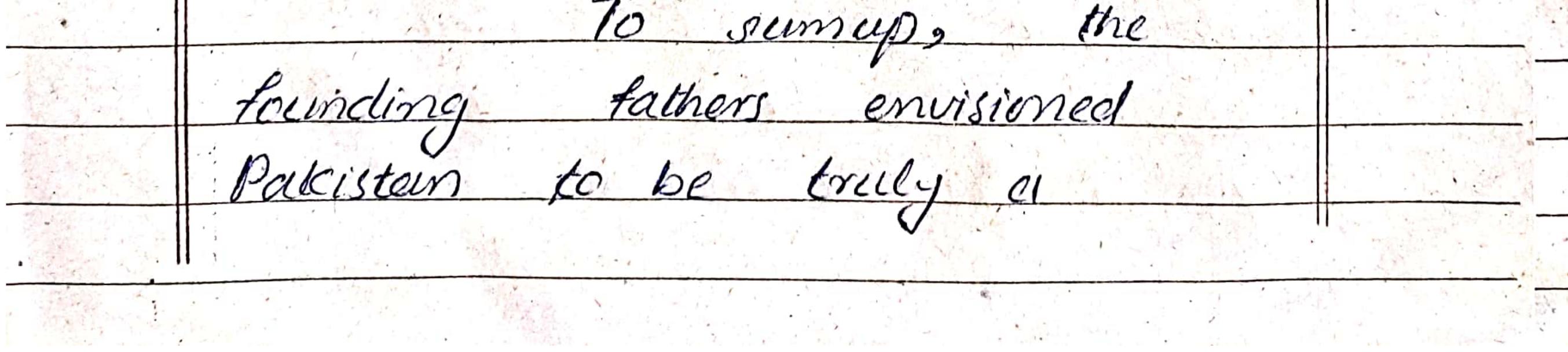


and secondly, it enjoys a global scope that entends beyond states poundaries. This uidespread network both in terms of its usege and scope

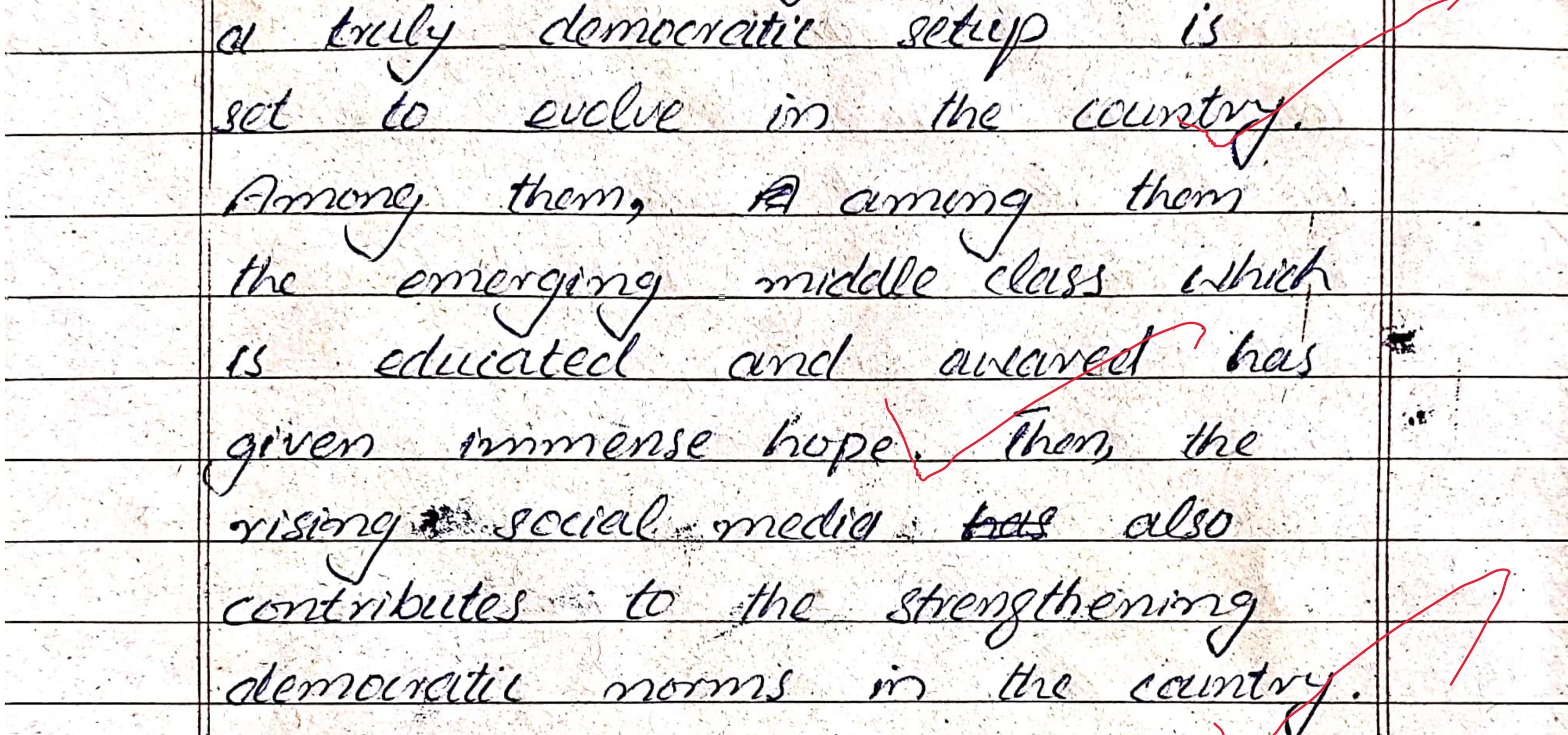
20 Date:_ leads to increase in transparency and accountability, quies voice to the marginalised sections ot society, spreads awareness and promotes advocacy. The analysis of the recent events shows that an increase has been witnessed in the intensity and effectiveness of various movements like movements for gender equality - movements. against volence and havassment, novements demanding equal economic opportunities and minority rights. This all contribute to the nurtining of an intermed citizenry, leijing of solid foundation for demouratic growth. As Benjamin Barber, a British political scientist, elevins that demoinary can only be achieved by anaimy and



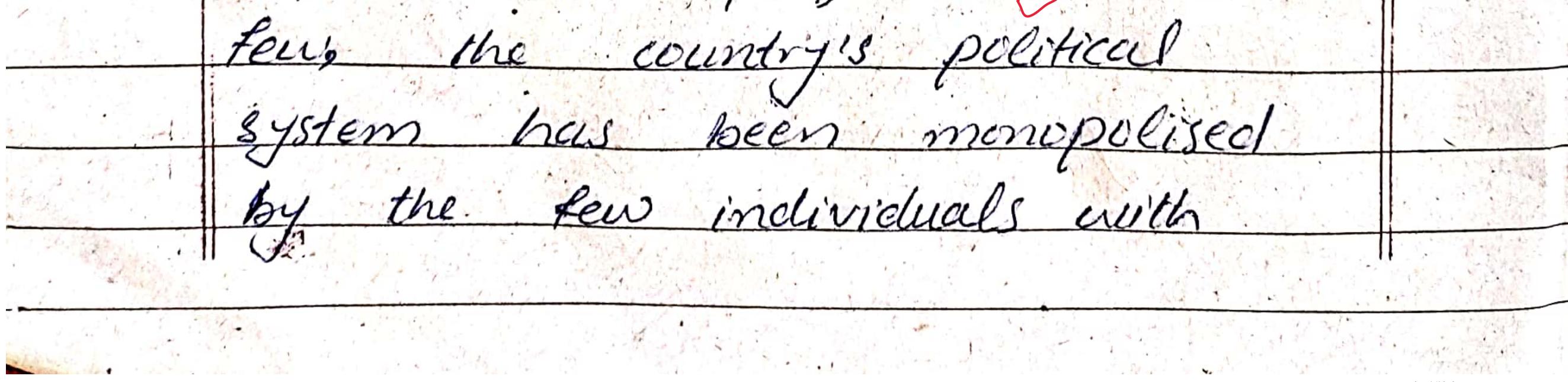
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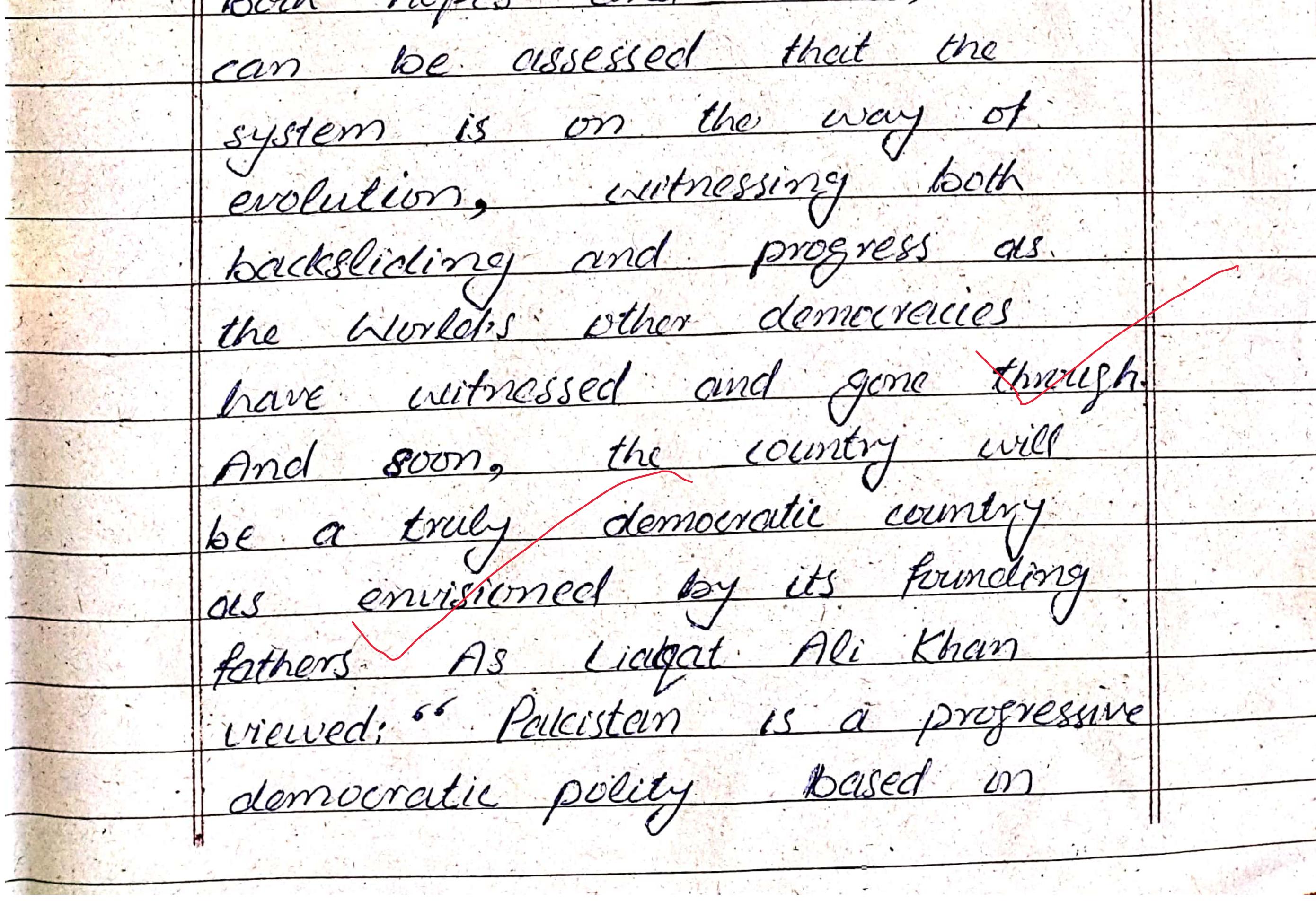
22 Date:__ democratic country; however, since its inception, it has faced numerous challenges in its any of democratization but there are glaring hopes that



Monoven a résilient democratie framework has been evolved, surviving. through undemocratic blows; therefore, it is truly an asset for the future of democracy in the country. Despite the hopes, the country confronts with numerous challenges in democratic progress. To montion



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