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English Essay Practice

"Accountability in Pakistan
is a Far-Fetched Dream"

Outline

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2. Concept of Accountability

3. Ways in Which Accountability
is a Far-Fetched Dream in
Pakistan

3.1 Corruption is deeply entrenched
at all levels of society, making
accountability difficult to achieve.

3.2 Lack of public education and
awareness about citizen's rights leads to
weak demand for accountability.

3.3 Nepotism and patronage networks
overshadow merit, allowing influential
people to evade accountability.

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3.4

Absence of punishment for those guilty of wrongdoing creates a culture of impunity.

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Accountability institutions in Pakistan often face political pressure, which compromises their independence.

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Successive governments have shown lack of will in pursuing comprehensive accountability, especially against individuals aligned with their political interests.

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Politicisation of accountability processes has led to selective accountability.

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Inconsistent implementation of weak legal frameworks undermine efforts to hold individuals and institutions accountable.

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Pakistan's judiciary is overburdened with high load of cases which delays verdict leading to reduced trust in the system.

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Regulatory bodies tasked with enforcing accountability lack the

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Capacity and resources to effectively carry out functions, making the process unreliable.

4. Barriers Owing to Accountability Being a Far-Fetched Dream in Pakistan

4.1 Cultural acceptance of corruption in many segments of society, makes efforts for accountability less effective.

4.2 Public disengagement and lack of active civic participation prevent public pressure on institutions for accountability.

4.3 Constant shifts in political leadership disrupts long-term accountability initiatives, undermining efforts to establish consistent framework.

4.4 Lack of accountability within political parties erodes the importance of accountability measures within the state.

4.5 Complex bureaucratic procedures creates hurdles to holding public officials accountable.

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5. Moving Towards Achieving the Dream of Accountability in Pakistan

5.1 Promoting public awareness, education, and civic engagement can increase public pressures for reforms.

5.2 Empowering civil society to monitor government activities and advocate for transparency and accountability reforms.

5.3 Depoliticising accountability institutions to ensure they function impartially

5.4 Judicial and bureaucratic reforms through structural reforms to ensure timely justice in accountability cases

5.5 Revising legal frameworks and strengthening enforcement mechanisms to ensure accountability without bias or delays

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Introduction

Accountability refers to the obligation of individuals, institutions, or governments to be responsible for their actions and management of resources. Accountability in Pakistan is considered as a far-fetched dream due to absence of the following elements: answerability, transparency, responsibility, enforcement, and public participation. Corruption has become a socially acceptable norm and nepotism has overshadowed merit. Compromised accountability institutions and weakened judiciary has allowed the wrongdoers to evade accountability by utilizing patronage networks. Governments over the years has only employed accountability measures as a tool of political vendetta and has not shown willingness in introducing required reforms. Public disengagement and continuous political instability has created a major barrier in achieving

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Accountability within the country. Pakistan needs to focus on increasing awareness and education if it aims to implement reforms as per good governance model.

Through structural reforms, the process of ensuring timely justice within accountability cases, will be a major step forwards to achieving the desired dream.

Conclusion

Accountability remains an elusive goal in Pakistan due to deeply entrenched social, political, and institutional challenges. Despite numerous challenges, achieving accountability in Pakistan is not impossible, if the proposed reforms in governance, judicial efficiency, public awareness, and degrading institutions are implemented. The journey may be long, but Pakistan can move towards building a transparent society and achieve good governance.