

## Political Polarization: Governance and Society

### 1) Introduction

2) How political polarization, governance and society are interlinked.

### 3) Impacts of political polarization on governance.

- 1) Political polarization impedes the legislative process.
- 2) Political polarization is a poison to democratic values.
- 3) Development of country is overlooked because of narrow political agendas.
- 4) Political parties prioritize party loyalties over national interest.
- 5) Political polarization damage the rule of law.
- 6) Discontinuous policies slow down the economic progress.

### 4) How political polarization impacts society.

- 1) - Societal fabric disrupts because of divide between different groups.
- 2) Intolerance increases because of lack of respect for difference of opinion.
- 3) Extremism and tribalism emerge.
- 4) Political polarization decrease civic engagement.
- 5) Extreme positions decrease critical thinking.
- 6) Polarization leads to identity politics.

### 5) Strategies to mitigate the challenge of political polarization

- 1) Free and fair elections.
- 2) Prioritizing national interest over party differences.
- 3) Educating people about valuing difference of opinion.

### 6) Conclusion.