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Monarchy

Monarchy is a form of government where a state is ruled by a single individual. The king have the Supreme authority and he hold all powers of the states Thus the monarch called the head of the state. Monarchies form can take several form of government i.e Absolute monarchy Constitutional monarchy and elective monarchy with its own variations.

Example : UAE, Oman, Saudi Arabia

Feature of monarchy :

(i) Heredity rule :

The transfer of powers through a heredity line. Monarch position passed to their descendants.

(ii) Centralized Authority :

Monarch posses significant centralize authority

allowing them to make important decision without the need of extensive consultation.

(iii) Life Tenure:

Monarch serve for the life time until they choose to abdicate the Throne.

(iv) Symbolic Role:

In constitutional monarchy often serve as a symbolic figurehead with limited political powers but the actual governance is carried out by the elected representative.

(v) Dynastic Succession:

The selection of new monarch is usually determine by the established rules of succession which can vary the eldest child inherit to elective system.

(vi) Varied forms:

Monarchies can exists in diverse forms such

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as Absolute monarch (unlimited powers) Constitutional monarch (limited powers) or elective monarch. Monarch is chosen through a specific process.

Merits of Monarchy:

• Stability:

Monarchy offer longer time stability and continuity as change in leadership is often less than in democracies.

• Unified-Decision-Making:

Monarch can make swift decisions reducing bureaucracy and gridlock in governance.

• Culture preservation:

Monarch often preserve and celebrate the a nation's culture heritage and tradition.

• Symbol of Unity:

Monarch

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can serve as a unifying symbol representing the nation.

Demerits of Monarchy

• Lack of accountability:

Monarch often have significant power with limited check and balances, potentially leading to abuse powers.

• Inequity:

Monarchy perpetuate social inequality, as power are often concentrated in royal families.

• Succession issues:

Hereditary succession can lead to unfit and unqualified ruler ascending to the throne.

• Costly maintaining the monarchy:

Maintaining a royal family and associated ceremonial activities can be expensive.

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Democracy:

Democracy is a form of government in which power resides in the hands of people either directly or through elected representative. It emphasizes the principles of political equality, popular sovereignty and participation and decision making processes. Democracies can take various form including Direct Democracy representative Democracy and parliamentary Democracy each with a distinct mechanisms for governance.

Example: US, India, Germany
Features of Democracy:

i) Popular Sovereignty:

Ultimate authority rests with the people who participate in election and decision making process.

(ii) Political Equality :

Citizens have the equal rights and opportunities to participate in politics, regardless of wealth status or background.

(iii) Rule of law :

Governance is conducted according to established legal principle and constitutional norms ensuring accountability and protection of individual rights.

(iv) Civil liberties :

Democracies prioritize the protection of fundamental freedoms including freedom of speech, press assembly and religion.

(v) Check and Balances :

Separation of powers between the branches of government (Legislative, Executive and Judiciary) and independent institution prevent concentration

of powers and promote accountability.
Merits of Democracy:

- **Political Participation:**

Democracy fosters active citizens engagement political awareness and civic responsibilities.

- **Accountability:**

Elected officials are accountable to voters and subject to scrutiny, fostering transparency and reduce corruption.

- **Protection of Rights:**

Democracy promote the protection of fundamental rights of Human. It promote Justice and equality under law.

- **Peaceful Transfer of Power**

Regular election promote the peaceful transfer of power enhancing stability and continuity in governance.

Demerits of Democracy:

• Political Gridlock:

Competing interests and check and balance can lead to legislative gridlock and delay in decision making.

• Short termism:

The duration or the tenure of the elected official is short up to five years.

• Vulnerability to manipulation:

Democratic processes such as election and media can be vulnerable to manipulation, disinformation and external influence.

• Majority tyranny:

Democracies must safeguard against the tyranny of the majority ensuring protection of minority rights.