

Democratic Backsliding in Pakistan: Causes, consequences, and the way Forward

Outline

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Introduction

Convey your ideas in a clear manner

Background

Theory Statement

The absence of effective leadership, role of judiciary and

military and controlled elections resulted

in economic backlash, social unrest and

political propaganda; however, by implementing

strict checks and balance and transparency in

election can heal Pakistan from democratic backsliding

2- Causes

2.1 Crisis in leadership since Independence

~~Judiciary and military over reach~~

2.2 Role of judiciary and military

2.3 First democratic govt: 2013

2.4 Kinship in Politics

2.5 Controlled elections: vote purchasing

2.6 Democracy as appearance not reality

3- Consequences

3.1 Economic backlash: accumulated wealth

3.2 Political propaganda

3.3 Social unrest

3.4 Controlled media

3.5 EDI ranking 2024

4- Way forward

4.1 Rule of law

4.2 Strict check and balance

4.3 Transparency in election

4.4 Fixed terms for chiefs ^{and} judges

4.5 Independent Media.

5- Denouement

~~Essay~~

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John F. Kennedy noted, the
ignorance of one voter in democracy
impaired the security of all". De-
mocracy has its roots back to in
Greek society, the city-states in
Athens in 5th century BCE. Democracy
has emerged in different shapes
in different eras. In ancient
times, Socrates, Plato and Aristotle
modeled the philosophy of democracy
according to their experiences. It

has been evolved with time and present day democracy is mostly based on philosophies of Locke, Rousseau, and Montesquieu. According to a report of EIU, Nordic countries are among top seven democratic countries. Happily, Pakistan has never been a purely democratic country. Elections can not be the reflection of democracy. The early demise of Quaid-e-Azam and assassination of Liaquat Ali Khan eroded the basis of a newly established state. The struggle of three constitutions and constant tussle between civil and military leaders contributed in crisis of Pakistan. However, even after 70 years of Independence, Pakistan is not truly a democratic country.

Pakistan has bestowed with natural resources and strategic location, even then she has been exploited for these. The causes of backsliding are evident because education is

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common and media is a source of information. Meanwhile, Youth is suffering the consequences as well and it is never too late to start progress. Henceforth, the absence of genuine leadership, controlled election and controlled democracy resulted in social unrest and political propagandas. So, by implementing strict check and balance and transparency of elections along with freedom of media, Pakistan can heal her democratic backsliding.