

Q Outline and explain the three major waves of feminism movements in the West. Discuss the influence of these waves on feminist Movements in Pakistan

INTRODUCTION:

Feminist Movements in the West

- emerged in 1848, emphasizing on Women's rights. It grew and evolved over time and adapted change as per the need of society. These movements have made women from a mere a household bearing role to the leading global dynamics. In Pakistan, a sense of feminism
- was observed from the independence till now. The key adaptations with visceral features ~~was~~ has been seen on the global arena from Pakistan. Due to long military dictatorship, the feminist movements ~~is~~ had vastly effected. However, an enormous is perceived world wide

WAVES OF FEMINISM IN THE WEST:

1st WAVE OF FEMINISM: (19th century-20th century)

The first-wave of feminism has its roots in women's suffrage movement. This wave emerged to support women's participating ~~voting~~ politics and governance, such as, voting rights. Mary Wollstonecraft, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony are the prominent suffrage movement leaders. About the rights of women, Elizabeth Cady Stanton says, "We hold the truths to be self-evident: that all men and women are created equal."

2nd WAVE OF FEMINISM: (1960s-1980s)

The second-wave of feminist shed light upon the specified boundaries limited to the women. As a social participant, women

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was majoritarily seen in education, and healthcare roles. However, the legal rights were given after the first-wave, yet amid its implementation was not impaceable. Besides that, this wave prominants the other oppressions upon women - such as, domestic violence, patriarchy and inequality. A well-known Simon de Beauvoir, says, "One is not born, but rather becomes a woman", advocating ~~the~~ against the particular roles assigned to women in society.

3RD WAVE OF FEMINISM: (1990s - Present)

The third-wave of feminism establishes the concept of universal idea of "womanhood" including all the prespectives race, class, LGBTQ+, etc. This wave also introduced intersectionality. Beyond the idea of only woman-centric approach, this wave gave rise to individuality, embracing feminity and self-expression. Rebecca Walker supporting the third-

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wave, ~~says~~ # in her essay which sparked the movement, says, "I am the Third-wave". Besides that, another well-known activist Audre Lorde says, "I am not free while any woman is unfree, even when her shackles are very different from my own". This quote reflects the third-wave's focus on intersectionality.

INFLUENCE OF WESTERN-FEMINIST MOVEMENT ON PAKISTAN'S FEMINIST MOVEMENTS ::

EARLY - HISTORY OF PAKISTAN

"No Nation can rise to the height of glory unless your women are side by side"

- Muhammad Ali Jinnah

The founder of Pakistan, Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah emphasized upon the participation of women for the prosperity of a country. Later on, his sister Fatima Jinnah advocated and

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contributed for the uprising of women of Pakistan. Begam Raana Liaquat Ali Khan founded an association for women "All Pakistan Women Association (APWA)". This symbolizes the feminist spirit in Pakistan from the early establishment.

After that, the dictatorship era did not suppress the Women rights but a significant could not be observed either. However, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto introduced remarkable developments such as, Family Law Ordinance, Female Quota in Government jobs signifies the feminist development.

BENAZIR BHUTTO ERA:

Benazir Bhutto, the first female Prime Minister of Pakistan as well as the whole Islamic world, herself indicated the empowerment of women in Pakistan. She introduced Women Police Stations, Women Bank (to provide women financial assistance).

movements in Pakistan are also influenced. In this way, women's subjugation can be decreased and empowerment of women ~~with~~ is perceived.

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and Ministry of Women Development.

These reforms were solely for the well-being of women in Pakistan.

FEMINIST MOVEMENT (2018-PRESENT)

The formal feminist movement started in 2018 on the mark of 8, March, the International Women's Day. Subsequently, Aurat March is celebrated in Pakistan every year. Each year, the issues related to women are highlighted. A vast number of women gather in major cities and celebrate feminism. Besides that, the movements like #MeToo also gained a significant shift in workplace harassment. These remarkable events, reforms and a drastic decrease in women oppression illustrates the product of feminism movements.

CONCLUSION:

From the early independence till now, a rise in feminist movement can be observed. However, due to West-feminist movement, the feminist