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# Pakistan's Vision 2025

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## Essay :

"The future belongs to those who prepare for it today" ~

**Walcolm X. Pakistan Vision 2025**

is a strategic roadmap that aims to make Pakistan grow and improve its position in the global structure. There is a key focus on the areas such as education, economy, health, technology. This vision aims to develop human and social capital by ensuring peace and security, while upholding the rule of law, the vision aims to achieve sustainable and inclusive growth, which will shape the country's position in the world power dynamics. Through the advancement of social justice, the vision seeks to ensure the good governance with institutional reforms and modernization of public sector. By maintaining political stability in the country, the vision aims

to provide water, food and energy security to all of its citizens regardless of their background. Pakistan's vision 2025 aims to transform country and to make it a progressive, inclusive and prosperous nation.

Transformational change in any country begins with a clear and inspiring vision. This vision represents the goals, dreams, and aspirations that a country collectively aims to achieve. However, for a vision to come into life, it must be shared by all of its citizens. When everyone takes the ownership of the vision and feels responsible for it, the chances of success of vision increases significantly. Transformational change can only happen if all Pakistanis take ownership of this vision and add their role in success of it. This is the only guarantee that

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we will achieve our common goals. The UAE's vision 2021 to make the country one of the best in the world by promoting knowledge based economy, sustainable growth and a high quality of life. This vision was supported by government, businesses and public which lead to the creation of world-elite cities like Abu Dhabi and Dubai in U.A.E.

Furthermore, all the countries that have achieved significant development share one thing in common: political stability & continuity of policies. Political stability refers to consistency in governance, absence of internal unrest and a predictable policy environment. Economic development is hampered by the environment of political instability, with frequent changes in government and policy causes mistrust in the economy. No country can progress in political instability.

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and chaos. For Pakistan to prosper, it needs a prolonged period of political and economical stability which will have enormous impact on economical growth and human development. Japan, after world war II developed its economy under stable political system which allowed Japan to become the second largest economy of world by 1970s. Moreover, peace and security are the foundational of any nation's development. Without peaceful environment businesses cannot flourish, investment cannot flow and citizens cannot thrive. Terrorism, war, and social unrest destroy both economy and social cohesion. Externally Pakistan desires "Peace with dignity". Internally, we seek to create a secure environment where the life, property, civil liberty and socioeconomic rights of citizens are protected and they can live and able to prosper in freedom, respect

and dignity as enshrined in the constitution. Malaysia, after years of racial tension and conflicts, Malaysia promoted peace and stability which resulted in making it the most prosperous country of Southeast Asia.

In addition to, the rule of law means that the laws are applied fairly and consistently on all citizens, businesses and institutions. It ensures that everyone is held accountable for their action. For a country to experience sustainable development, it must have laws that protect rights of citizens, promote fair competition and prevent the corruption. Therefore, the establishment and implementation of the rule of law that includes but not limited to:

Enforcing contracts, regulating the markets, breaking the barriers of competition and protection of the fundamental rights of Pakistani

citizens, is necessary action to achieve our dream. The rule of law in the U.S has allowed the businesses to flourish. Entrepreneurs can trust that their contracts are honoured and their intellectual property will be protected.

Additionally, Social Justice is about ensuring the equal rights and opportunities to all the citizens regardless of their backgrounds. It focuses on fairness, equity and protection of human rights. In Pakistan, social justice refers to addressing disparities in income, health and education. It also focuses on providing the everyone opportunity for success. In Islam, Social Justice as a concept refers to equality in rights and no discrimination on the basis of gender, religion, cast and creed. we will focus to create a caring society.



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where dividends of prosperity and development are shared by all. Norway is a country cited as model for social justice. This has strong welfare system that provides education, healthcare and social services to everyone regardless of their income.

These are just enablers through which any country can seek growth and prosperity.

Pakistan vision 2025 advocating these enablers aims to change the future of country.

To start with, the first priority of vision will be developing human and social capital.

This will require strengthening the existing social capital, improving the skill base of population, and providing access to the opportunities to all citizens that help them grow.

This will involve radical increase of investment in education, health,

ed women empowerment, infrastructure, technology, gender equality. Through more investment in these sectors, the hopes of development of human and social capital will be evident. According to the official document of Pakistan's vision 2025 by Ministry of Planning and Development Pakistan: To increase primary enrolment and completion rate to 100%, to increase literacy rate by 90%, to enhance women workforce participation from 24 to 45%.

In addition to, Pakistan vision 2025 aims to revive and sustain the growth momentum within environmental limits and equity. The objective is to provide better quality of life regardless of religious, gender, color, cast and political affiliations. This will be achieved by mobilizing the resources in right manner. The sustainable and inclusive growth could help

to create a just and equitable society. The government will provide all the facilities on equal basis.

This will require reforms in tax collection, strengthening the institutions, wiseful allotment of resources and establishment of a social protection framework. According to ministry of Planning and Development of Pakistan, aim is to: To make Pakistan one of the top 25 economies of the world, to increase tax to GDP ratio from 9.8% to 18%.

As a further point, Pakistan vision's 2025 aims to ensure good governance, strengthening the institutions like Parliament, Civil Services Police and Judiciary, and to benefit the provinces with devolution of power as prescribed by the 18<sup>th</sup> amendment of the constitution. The vision seeks an transparent government which operates under the rule

of law and protects the life and property of its citizens.

Good governance encompasses excellence in social, political, economical infrastructure and production of skilled, motivated, resulted and high - professional civil service, preventing the corruption and establishing the regulatory framework

According to Ministry of Planning and Development Pakistan aim is too:

To rank the country in the top 50s ranking of political stability (from bottom 1 percentile), No violence/Terrorism (from bottom 1 percentile), control of corruption (from bottom 13<sup>th</sup> percentile) as measured by world wide Governance indicators.

Moreover, vision seeks that sufficient, reliable, clean and cost effective availability of water, food and energy is essential - for now and for future - to sustain economic growth. There is a need to

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Fill the enormous gaps in these areas while simultaneously responding to the climate change. There is a renewed national consensus - as articulated in the manifestos of all leading party - to commit major resources with collaboration of private sector in these areas. Further, the measures will be taken in conservation and distribution of those resources. According to Ministry of Planning and Development Pakistan aim is:

To double up power generation upto 42000 MW, to increase access of electricity from 67% to 90% of population, to increase the water storage capacity to 120 days, to reduce food insecure population from 60% to 30%.

As a further point, vision envisages to make Pakistan a highly attractive place for private investment, with conditions that allow the private investor

to successfully participate in the development. This needs a focus on the factor that inhibits private sector investment including lack of energy, security issues, labor force, slow and costly judicial processes (enforcing contracts). Public sector enterprises will be made profitable by restructuring. Partial and complete privatization. SMEs will be developed radically. According to ministry of

Planning and Development Pakistan aim is:

To rank country in the top 50<sup>th</sup> world ease of doing business ranking, to create at least 5 global Pakistani brands (with more than 50% sales coming out from the consumer out of Pakistan) and make "made in Pakistan" a symbol of quality.

Furthermore, National competitiveness refers to the ability to produce and deliver the products and services effectively and profitably.

relevant to other countries. Improving national competitiveness is essential as it points out that whether we are utilizing our resources in the productive manner based on merit, quality and innovation. Pakistan Vision's 2025 envisages investment in the determinants of national competitiveness especially skills development, information and communication technologies and engagement in global markets. Innovation, technology adaptation and value addition will be encouraged. Natural resources will be utilized and development in all sectors will be enhanced.

According to ministry of Planning and Development Pakistan aim is:

To increase internet penetration to 50%, to rank in top 75<sup>TH</sup> of world competitiveness ranking.

Moving down the ladder, successful countries make most of their nearby regions.

Pakistan is at a keypoint connecting  
 China, middle east, South Asia and  
 Central Asia. The aim is to  
 create a strong transport and  
 communication system to help  
 Pakistan grow and connect with  
 these nations. The objective is  
 to lower transport cost, improve  
 safety, provide fast travel between  
 provinces, link rural areas with  
 cities, link road and railways  
 between important areas (dryport, seaport,  
 airports), to create travel route  
 with these nations and to  
 increase exports. According to ministry  
 of Planning and Development Pakistan  
 aim is : To increase share of  
 railway in transport from 4% to  
 20%, to increase export from  
 USD 25 billion to USD 150 billion. To  
 increase road density from 32 km/100 km<sup>2</sup>  
 to 64 km/100 km<sup>2</sup>.



As the curtains fall of to exploration, Pakistan vision's 2025 is a comprehensive plan that aims to bright the future of country. The vision is expecting to develop Pakistan through reforms in public sector, promoting public-private partnership and by developing a knowledge based economy. To improve the position in global power dynamics, vision is encouraging the increased regional connectivity. By promoting peace and ensuring security, vision is aiming to create a just and equitable society with all having facilities of life and their life, civil liberty and socioeconomic rights protected. However, to achieve this vision there are hurdles that can hamper the achievement of goals. The economic crisis, political instability, civil-military tensions, ethnic and sectarian conflicts

and weak governance can delay  
the vision to come to life. But  
with mutual efforts it is not  
difficult to achieve as there is  
always a ray of hope after  
darkness.

