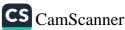
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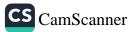
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In a world where democracy is hailed as the beacon of freedom and justice, Paristan stands at a crossopads, its political landscape shaped by a trubulent history of military rule authoritarianism, and civil unrest. For over seven decades, the nation has struggled to balance the ideas of democracy with the harsh realifies of pulitical instability, Corruption and entrended power. stouctures. As Retristan moves forward, the hope for a flourishing democratic system are tempered by significant modes, from the militarys influence in politics to the challenges of economic inequality and governance Denne vacy in Palkistan has been showing hopes of continuity of democratic government, no military intervention and increased political particip. ation. However, these are also hurdles such as electoral reforms, agnastic politics



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or the government of second best." Besides, Darmer president of U.S.A Abraham tincoln explained, Democracy as a form of government that is for the people, by the paople and of the people." Therefore, democracy can be defined a the sule of people. To understand the historical development of Patistan's democracy, there is an impertive need to take microscopic view of Pakistan's democratic history. Pakistan has faced repeated four military interparence in the history of the country. General Ayuk Ishan ruled in the period of 1958 to 1969. General Yahya Khan Came to power in 1969 to 1971. General ha al - Hag imposed worst martial law during the period of 1477 to 1988. Finally, General Perver



Musharray rules on Pakislan in 1999 to 2008. These Jour worst von democratic rulere have presented the darkest picture of democracy in Pickistan. They undermined construction and public desire by creating an - empronor ent of uncertainty within the Country. Evolving 9 green signal of democracy in Pakistan, the democracy has been started and since 2007 when General Parver Musharvaf resigned from its authors: tarion governon-ent. During the period of 2007 to 2013, the first demo-catic party, 'Pakistan Peoples party', came to power. Pakistan Muslim League-Nawar PML:N Juled between 2013 PMLIN Juled between 2013 and 2018. Paristan Tahree K-i-Insat also elected in 2018. The coalition governm-



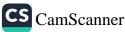
ent of PML-N and PPP made government since 2024. So, these four successive government are great havbingers of democracy in Pakistan. Maing forward, successive government since 2008 is a greater sign of democracy in Pakistan. After the resignation of General Porrer Mushaviat, democratic parties have been ruling in Pakistan. In General election 2008, Pakistan Deoples Party 'PPP' came to power and in 2013 PML-N suled in Pakistan. PTI also dected in general election of 2018. Moveover, in general dection 2024 PMLEN and PPP announced a coalition government. There fore, it refle Ets that democracy has been flourishing in paristan which is a hope for democr. atic culture in Pakistan.



Furthermore, one of the most important hopes attached with democracy in Pakstan is no military invent-intervention in political affairs. People has the potential to remove sitting government. by their representatives. Formers Rime Minuter Toxon Khan By their representatives. Former Rime Minister Imson Khan removed from the office of P.M by role of no confidence in May, Zozz. Before thes, military imposed martial and, and it ruled over the people but currently people themselves can remove or support any government. Thus, no military intervention is a good hope for democracy in Palastan. To prove there is hope of democracy in Palkistan, it is pertinant to mention that increased Poleheal Participation has



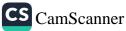
been showing an amicable envisionment for democracy in Patristan. The tendency of vote casting has increased from past. 60.6 million voters exercited their votes in Pakistan's general election 2024. - Free and Fair Election Network. The report indicates people are nove indined to porticipate in democratic rule in Pakistan. The response of the cifirens towards vote casting is fruitful I and the porteces for not only the progress of the country but also the development of the citizens However, political proticipation presents big hope for dervice mu in Pakis fan. start with subject Not only political participation of mon but also political participation of women has emerged as 9 tool of demogratic process in



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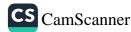
Ditrac. Minhato 17 13 social media can play signific-ant role in creating democratic environment by spreading awareness about rote casting and remembering people to go for exercise right to vote on the date of clection. There is no denying the that that media in 21 st! century is the greatest power in the world which can mould people mind. Thus, independent mexica is a hope for democry in pakistan. Creating an amic-able environment for democrace in Pakistan, civil spicety is playing admirable role in flourishing democracy-Currently, people are aware of their rights and needs, and they raise guestion about their desires-If a representative ignore publics desizes and needs, they



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15 In addition to Pakistan is suffering from mondemperatic authorse within the political system which is a huge hurdle in the path of democracy in Patristan. Dynastic politics is a critical challenge in polifical bield. It is evident the fait that the history of panistan Shows each wher prepare his - son or daughter for I top leadership Such attributes stiffle democratic government ond create an uncertain environment for democry. Therefor, nondemocratic culture within the politice of Patrictan is 9 significant hurdla for democracy in Patristan. Furthermore, polarized pulifics is also serious threat to democracy in Paris fan. There are threa mainstream



16 polifical parties in Pakistan Like PML: N, PPP and PTI wh these are not well substantiated represent and support only their provinces rather than which represent and support the country, Hence, polavized country = H for democracy in 11e -Pakistan Moreover, democracy from biased mechanism of accountability which is a mamoth mengre for de acy in pairistan. The dysmal Paravoma of consuption painting plank preture of country, Palustan's yank in conjuption is 132 out of 180 countries." International Perception exade public toust or public sector. Therefore , biased mechanism of secountability poses serious threat to



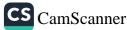
17 Furthermore, unstable economy is a critical hurdle on the way of democracy in Pakistan. Due to low economy, the government is unable to pend more or education and health. The government of Pakistan allocates only 1.5 percent for educat-ion while the global standard is 4.6 percent. It is 9 cove cause of illiteracy within the country. Moveovery the country also allocates negligible budget for the health sector which indicates that the governon ent is negle-cting fundamental human right given by the constitution of Palaistan, Henre; economic Crisis of Pakistan posing serious threat to democracy in palaistan. the main thirdles on



The way of democray in Pakisfang it is also pertiment to mention that 9 poor mare of country poses servious threat to democracy in pakistan. Unfortu nately, various countries have banned to allow Paterstanis to enter their countries As of 2024, Pakistani passport is santed 100th in the world by the Henly Passport Index. It is considered one of the lowest- ranked in the world. It sanks higher than only Traq , Syria and Afghanistan. thus, 9 poor image of Patristan is a big hurdle on the way of demorracy in Palastan. However, the situation is not all toleater Pakistan can improve and Car bounce back from this quagmise by building politier al consensue and improving



19 socio-economic opportunities. I There is dire need to promote table talk rather than go to streef and crushing the opposition by using anti riot gear. Moreover, it is also significant to provide socio-economic opportunities to people by reducing poverty, providiing employement and amouncing supportive programs for the people of paletstan. Hence, to plouvish an environment of democriatic culture, there is need to build political consensus and impore socio-economic opportunities. To conclude, democ vacy in Palistan Showing tooth hopes and hardles - in the trubulent history of democratic process in patristan. There are various hopes are attached with democracy



20 in Pakistan including: the democratic rule since 2007, no interfavence of military within politics, highest political participation and independent meeting. which ave opening the door of democratic culture in Palaston. On the other hand, there are numerous hurdles on the way of democracy like dynastic Pulifices, lack of political consensus and toiased account gooility. As every do cloud has a silver living, l' democracy can flourish by the developing political conserving and improving socio economic opportunities.

