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## Essay Topic:-

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# Good Governance: The Key to Pakistan's Progress.

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## The Essay

"Good governance is not a luxury, but it is a vital necessity", said Kofi A. Annan. Good governance is an important requirement for a nation to make its progress. Good governance can be defined as the way or process through which nation governs transparently, accountable and with rule of law for the welfare of its people. It encompasses the political stability, economic progress and social welfare. Therefore, Good governance is a backbone of a nation's progress and stability. Developed countries are progressed because of good governance while, developing countries having no good governance face corruption, instability and lack of welfare. Pakistan, a country with immense resources, is developing countries due to poor governance. However, it has lack of rule of law, participation, transparency and accountability. Therefore, many measures has been taken to ensure good governance in Pakistan, for instance, National Accountability Bureau (NAB) for accountability of officers, local

governments in each provinces, judiciary system. By taking and following measures and applying key elements would enhance the good governance in Pakistan and it would result in country's progress.

Good governance has key elements which includes; accountability, transparency, rule of law, participating and people centered state. These all are being a major part of governance that serve for a prosperity of a state. Transparency is the process in which all rules and actions are can be put in front of people.

It means that the public will be aware of government's action.

For example, the rule of information act is a well being strategy for transparency between government and its people. It has been started in many countries which is very helpful for governing a nation. Other key element is accountability means that the officers or the people that work for country are responsible for their actions. If any of them would do any kind of work,

that would cause any harm to people's prosperity of a country, so they would get punishment. Therefore, in Pakistan, National Accountability Bureau (NAB) was created to

take all answers of the questions from officers in regards to country

**Rule of law** is also prerequisite for good governance as it creates equality among the people. The Law established by country is for all citizens and everyone is equally responsible for this law so the country having enforcement of law would be developed.

For instance, **Singapore** enforced rule of law strictly and had become prosperity in country. Furthermore,

**Participation** is also a vital force in country's governance because it encompasses the citizen's participation in voting, consultation and feedback system. Through which State would be aware of its people. In last, **people centered state** has been always a core element for a state's governance because a good governance cannot be possible without public. In **Estonia** e-governance had been launched that streamlined public issues were solve immediately.