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Heavy is the Head that Wears the Crown

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Outline

A. Introduction

- a. With power comes huge duties
- b. Background
- c. Thesis Statement:

"This essay proves the veracity of the statement, "Heavy is the head that wears the crown" by giving examples from multiple walks of life including psychology, history, religion, politics, sports, nation-building, Contemporary human society and the long walk that is to be followed".

B. Genesis of the Title

C. Wearing the Crown is Easy but its Affect is Heavy

1. Wearing the Crown brings immense responsibilities;

- a. "With power comes responsibilities and with responsibilities come power." Mark Manson

2. Its not always easy to bear the brunt of one's journey due to opponents;

- a. "And yet it moves". Galileo
- b. "Waterloo will erase all the marks of my victories". Napoleon

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3. A leader always has to sacrifice for his or her mission;

a. The life of Prophet (PBUH)

b. Hazrat Yousaf (AS) in the well

4. One can become a leader but it is difficult to deliver;

a. Failed states in global South despite promises of multiple leaders

b. Leaders often deviate their direction

5. Becoming a champion is easy but remaining a consistent champion requires more effort;

a. Virat Kohli

b. Cristiano Ronaldo and Lionel Messi

c. Muhammad Ali

6. Nations have to bear tough times before going for excellency;

a. Japan after WWII

b. China from a colonized state to global power status

7. Man is the master of all creation, yet the destiny is still far away;

a. Human sufferings

b. Educated minds without educating hearts

8. The champions of global society
are yet to deliver;
a. Duties of the United Nations

9. The world is still waiting for
prosperity and joys;
a. Modernity is an unfinished project
b. Solutions to urgent issues facing
by humanity

C. Conclusion

The Essay

The title "Heavy is the head that wears the crown" refers to the responsibilities that are followed by the one who takes the charge in whatever walk of life. History is testament to the fact that multiple individuals have gained higher positions in their lives. Although some have luck on their sides, yet majority of them were raised to heights after their continuous struggle. The most interesting thing in life is that a man can be raised to a higher rank, but he or she must continue to thrive because higher ranks are

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followed by higher responsibilities.

It is easy to downgrade one's duties but that individual can not be counted in the good book of history. So, those who were prominent never turned from their duties.

Instead, they have worked tirelessly to fulfill their duties. This essay proves the veracity of the statement, "Heavy are the heads that wear the Crown" by giving examples from multiple walks of life including psychology, history, religion, politics, sports, nation-building, human contemporary condition and the future long walk that is to be followed.

Heavy is the head that wears the crown is the concept about power that is followed by responsibilities. It means a person who is either chosen or has made strides in life must pass through the consistent journey of fulfilling one's duty for which one is being selected. Many people often fail in this; however, history shows that despite burden, certain people had reached the hallmark of their duties.

To start with, wearing the

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Crown brings immense responsibilities. It is human nature that high position is considered ones desiring and human does perform multitude of tasks to reach the height of glory. While it is true that man adopts certain ways for doing so; however, certain people inspire from those pathways that are detrimental not only for them but also for the whole community. The best example is that of Adam's son who killed his brother due to the natural disposition towards beauty. But the fact is that the duty of Adam and his Son was to advance the journey of humanity and not to cause bloodshed because he is the chosen 'Khalifa' of God on the earth.

Same is the case in today's world. Today, power looms on many heads and such individuals have adopted bloody ways to fulfill their ambitions but they are unaware of their duties. Mawlana Mawdudi says,

"With power comes responsibility and with responsibility comes power."

He is right because it is easy to wear the crown but that crown is full of responsibilities, which could

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be downgraded if falls prey into the tickleness of human nature.

So, the psychological concepts about human nature show that it is not easy to wear the crown because responsibilities are high.

Additionally, a person can be crowned but one has to bear the brunt of opponents who do not allow one to keep that crown.

People often work tirelessly to explore something new in their lives. When they do so, they are faced with the opponents and it is often hard to bear their criticism. Not only criticism but also people lose their precious lives because of such opposition.

But when intentions are clear, then such sort of issues even death do not matter because they are aware that their duty is more important. For instance, Galileo was persecuted for his cosmological knowledge but he did not stop his dutiful project and just before his death, he said, "And yet it moves". Same was the case with Napoleon. Although Europe was involved in imperial designs that

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exploited almost all of the world, but when he embarked on his journey to liberate nations from aristocracy, the whole Europe united against him and was sent to exile.

His words, "Waterloo will erase the marks of all my victories" are true but his Napoleonic Code is still prevalent in French Constitution.

The reason is that people like Galileo and Napoleon were masters in their field, but it is noteworthy that they have fulfilled their duties. Today, both Galileo and Napoleon reign even though they are not amongst humanity because of their works. In

short, one can wear the crown but opposition will always try to keep him or her to its knees.

Also, a leader must give immense sacrifices before they can fulfill his mission. No leader in history has ever consolidated his empire and omission without sacrifices even if their position was high-ranked.

No matter how prestigious a leader or his mission is, but still this can not be ruled out that sacrifices and hardships will surely come. However, such difficult situations are

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not real hurdles to those who understand the purpose of their mission and the duty which they must perform. The Holy Prophet (SAW) was given Supreme mission of giving mankind Allah's message. Despite his prestigious rank, he faced enormous difficulties and had to sacrifice his every moment for his mission. Same is the case of Hazrat Yusaf (AS), who was thrown into the well by his own brothers. However, nothing distracted them from their missions because they knew that the weight of wearing a crown is not light and must be carried even in the face of sacrifices. So, the mission of a leader is fulfilled only when one is fully aware of the responsibilities ascribed. Moreover, the conditions of poor States as compared to the developed West shows that despite multiple leaders, it is difficult to bring prosperity and development. After gaining independence from the Colonial masters, many leaders emerged in the newly established States who thought of becoming the Champions of their nations' development.

Leaders like J. L. Nehru in India, Ayub Khan in Pakistan and other leaders claimed to bring new era of democracies into their countries where the will of the people will rule. However, these leaders mostly failed in their claims because they had forgot the fire journey, which must be pursued before giving democratic ideas and development to their nations. It is because championing democracies need effort and struggle both at individual and institutional level. So, these leaders changed their directions due to their own colonial institutions, which try to subvert the hopes of democracy for their interests. H.P. Huntington in his book "Political Development and Political Decay" says that a society must pass through institutional changes before acquiring democracy.

In the case of developing states, the institutions do not minimize their interests and leaders got nothing. They plan assassinations and opposition of strong forces like landlords and elites against their visions. That is why it is not easy to say that a crown wearing is enough for making nations great, rather one

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Can observe the fire that is followed after wearing the crown.

Adding further, it is easy to become the Champion but it needs consistency to keep that spirit of championship alive. In the arena of sports, multiple people have acquired fame, but there is something deep into their journeys. They had to keep consistent in their efforts despite failures and success in order to keep alive those forces which had pushed them forward in their careers. In cricket, Virat Kohli became the star after Sachin Tendulkar and Kumar Sangakkara gave figures. Despite gaining fame and rewards, he had to work even more harder because he had to keep alive the image which was created in the world of cricket. His father died, he failed again and again to win Indian Premier League, but his own dutiful character made him the champion in Indian League as well as the King of modern cricket. Similarly, Lionel Messi failed to win the Jolly World Cup despite being player of the tournament. Yet, his struggle won him 2022 World Cup due to his dutiful character.

Also, Cristiano Ronaldo failed to bring Portugal

at the top of Europe, but in 1934 he did it. Also, Mohammad Ali was once asked that what keeps him alive in the boxing field. His reply was the will power. If all these legends have enjoyed their victories by stopping their efforts, they would not have attained such feels of glory today. That is why their struggles prove that one can wear crown, but that crown does not allow one to keep static attitude rather crown keeps a person moving even faster due to responsibilities.

On the national level, many nations are the real examples of how to bear tough times before claiming supremacy. Multiple civilizations in the form of states have glorious history due to the distinctive features in their societies like culture, religion and norms. However, it is not always easy to keep on the pace of civilizational hallmark. Sometimes, huge and famous civilizations crumble like those of the Greek and Roman. It is because keeping a vast empire needs or demands immense responsibilities. Still, there are certain civilizations which have accepted their duties and are still renowned and alive on the face of the earth.

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For example, Japanese Civilization, based on Meiji Culture, faced devastation during WWII. However, they took their responsibility and worked tirelessly in order to keep alive the spirit of Meiji. Civilizational aspects like hope and hard work. At the end, they got the status of Asian Tiger. All this was made possible due to responsible character of Japanese nation. Same is the case with China. It faced the Century of humiliation due to Western Colonialism. But taking responsibility allowed them to restore their glory because they were once a responsible Civilization during Qing and Ming dynasties. Today, China is everywhere in limelight in multiple arenas of global life. To conclude, nations which keep glorious past have to take on duties in order to thrive because it is easy to have glorious past, but one must move on despite hurdles to keep alive past.

On the individual level, it is a fact that man is the crowned creation of the Creator, yet its responsibilities are huge too. Despite being the controller of all other creatures and twisting the direction of the time in his or her favor, man is still far

away from achieving the true spirit and success which is bound to his intellect. Today, man is grappled in multiple issues ranging from devastating wars and natural calamities to global poverty and inequality. Although efforts have been made to make the planet earth a beautiful place to live, yet the journey is incomplete. It is because the duty of man in this regard is huge and man is negligent of his duty in contemporary times. Today, man is advanced in science and technology; however, the immense human sufferings in Gaza and Ukraine show that humankind has yet to educate its heart. When this duty would be fulfilled, then the world would be a suitable place to live and prosper further. So, man is indeed a crowned creature but he or she is still in the need of accepting more duties to advance and claim the justification of its crown.

At the global level, nations created multilateral institutions after WWII to create a peaceful world society; however, it is still an incomplete project and those institutions have to take more charge for fulfilling their duties. It was the

horrors of WWII that Compelled States to Coexist without resorting to Conflict.

But the popular saying "Only dead have seen the end of war" makes the world prone to Conflicts. United Nations was crowned as the Global Champion institution for bringing peace in the world. Despite its mandate, it has not delivered its promises. It is because powerful states do not allow it function properly.

So, United Nations and those 193 states have more duties to safeguard the world from conflicts because these people could claim the crowns of representing their nations but their representation does not evade their duties. The United Nations is the crowned institution and representatives of the states feel proud of their representation, yet they cannot escape the duties of making it the institution of peace and harmony. The obvious reason is that wearing the crown makes the head heavy and not light, so the United Nations has yet to deliver.

Last but not least, on Collective level, it is to be noted that the concepts of modernity and prosperity are still incomplete and the whole world is in wait of seeing collective joy. Humanity once

Celebrated the emergence of modern knowledge and the subsequent innovations that followed. It was also followed by Civilizing missions via Colonialism and interdependence. But these concepts are still incomplete because it fails more than just trying to give collective benefits and joys to all of the global population. The basic notion is about responsibility. Those who claimed to be modern have to take more responsibilities. It is because, today's world is facing multiple issues caused by modernity projects like Climate change, extremism and inequality. Africa and Middle East are struggling via extremism and Civil wars as in the case of Sudan Civil War and Gaza crisis. There are other multiple examples which point out the responsibilities of those, especially, the West who crowned themselves Champion of modernity. Whether on humanitarian basis or legal basis, the prosper must prosper the underdeveloped because the humanity is a single race and the joy of one is the joy of other. The incomplete project of modernism shows that crowning oneself is easy but its weight is full of duties which cannot be erased from.

In Conclusion, this essay has proved the veracity of the statement "He who is the head that wears the crown" by diving deep into its crux via giving examples from multiple life areas like human psychological journey, history, politics, advanced nations and the contemporary world scenario. At individual level, it gave examples from the responsibilities that stem from the power relations after becoming the champion of one field. On national level, it has delved into the struggles and journeys of states past and present stories that are the result of taking duties in true spirit after becoming the crowned ones. Also, on the collective level it has been presented that responsibilities are still much more in the face of global issues facing humanity. It is hard to keep ones duties because the weight of such duties cannot be carried easily felt. Yet, those who accept this idea of giving their best, just because they have been selected, would certainly feel the weight of responsibilities. It is hope and conscience which keep one to never disregard ones duties.

Mark Manson rightly said "With power comes responsibilities and with huge power comes huge responsibilities!"