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ANSWER

I. INTRODUCTION.

The chief of the people
is the servant of
their
Holy Prophet
(SAW)

In Islam, public servant is the well-wisher of the people. All his actions and commands must be directed for betterment of society. He should promote justice, accountability and mercy. Moreover, he should collect zakat and other taxes for welfare of state and avoid corruption.

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In the following pages, responsibilities of a civil servant in Islamic state are discussed in detail.

II. RESPONSIBILITIES OF A CIVIL SERVANT IN AN ISLAMIC STATE:

a). Public office is a trust from Allah:

A public servant must know that his position and authority is not absolute his right but it is a blessing from Allah to him. Therefore he must use his power and position for public.

Wallah

Once Holy Prophet (SAW) said to Hazret Abu Dher (RA) that "O Abu Dher you are weak and it is a trust"

b) To uphold Just shariah:

Public servant

must strive for upholding shariah in the state.

He is bestowed authority from Allah. Therefore, it is his obligation to spread and follow the commandments.

|| In Islamic state,
civil servant is
expected not to work
outside boundaries
of Islam
(Abul A'le Maududi) ||

c) To ensure Justice:

Justice is the cornerstone of an Islamic state. Therefore, a civil servant must struggle and make laws to ensure justice all people equally.

|| And do not let the
hatred of people
deviate you from
being just -----
(Al-Quran) ||

d). To ensure Rule of law and Meritocracy:

In Islamic state,
all citizens are all
before law. There is no
religion, territorial or

exceed preference. Therefore,
it is the ~~an~~ chief
duty of public officer
holder to implement
Rule of law and Merito-
cracy.

Holy Prophet (SAW) said.

By Allah, If Fatima
daughter of Muhammad
had committed theft,
I would have cut
her hands off.....

Holy Prophet
(SAW)

e). To maintain Transparency
and Accountability:

Every person
who is public servant
is equally accountable

to Allah and His people.
Therefore, he must
maintain transparency
in public affairs and
ensure accountability.

Our Holy Prophet (SAW)
said:

Everyone of you is a
shepherd and everyone
of you will be answer-
able to God for his
flock

Holy Prophet (SAW)

f). To collect zekat and
other Taxes:

It is responsibility
of a civil servant to
honestly collect zekat
from public and other

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taxes like Ushr, Fisyah and
Khraas for state.

9). To stop hoarding
and monopolistic
practices:

Hoarding and Monopoly
is strictly prohibited
in Islam when there
is shortage of commodities
in a market. Thus, a civil
servant must endeavour
to stop such practices.

Hazrat Umar (RA) appointed
Hazrat Surfa bin Abdullah
as a market controller
to avoid ill-practices
in market like hoarding,
and price control.

CONCLUSION:

Above mentioned points clearly depict that what are responsibilities of a civil servant. He has to work for public welfare and social peace and justice. He is enjoined to avoid corrupt practice and illegal activities. Therefore, it can be said that in Islamic state, a civil servant plays a crucial role.