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Focus on 1st part how democracy without accountability threatens stability

Outlines:

① Introduction

Thesis statement:

"A democracy lacking accountability threatens national stability, but reinforcing transparency, rule of law, and public scrutiny can reclaim its true spirit of governance."

② Democracy And The Pillar Of Accountability.

②a Accountability as the foundation of democratic trust.

(transparent institutions ensure citizen trust and prevent democratic backsliding)

(UNDP 2025)

②b Rule of law and Responsible governance:

(6% global decline in adherence to rule of law, directly weakening democratic stability)

(World Justice Project 2024)

②c Democratic resilience through oversight:

(democracies with strong audit and parliamentary oversight remain 40% more politically stable) (Freedom House 2025)

③ Erosion of Accountability and Threats to stability.

③a Unchecked corruption and elite capture.

(over 80% of countries still have stagnant or declining corruption scores, eroding faith in democracy)

(Transparency International 2025)

③b Populism and weakened institutions

(populist regimes undermine institutional checks, causing political volatility)

(The Economist Intelligence Institution 2025)

③c Lack of fiscal accountability.

(misuse of public funds in weakly monitored democracies worsens debt crises and instability)

(IMF Fiscal Monitor 2024)

④ Consequences of Democracy without Accountability:

4a political unrest and protests:

(linking lack of transparency to higher risks of civil unrest and regime change in fragile democracies)

④b Economic mismanagement and inequality. (World Bank 2024)
(Corruption and governance reduce GDP growth by up to 1.5% annually)

④c Declining citizen confidence and voter turnout.

(45% of citizens in emerging democracies trust elected institutions)
(Pew Research Center 2024)

⑤ Strengthening Accountability Mechanisms:

⑤a Judicial and media independence (free media exposure reduces corruption and promotes public scrutiny)
(Reporters Without Borders 2025)

⑤b Institutional transparency and audits:

Robust anti-corruption agencies increase investor confidence and political calm.

(World Bank Governance Indicators 2024)

⑤ Digital governance and e-accountability
(Estonia and South Korea for tech-based
accountability that curbs political corruption)
(UN & Govt survey 2024)

⑥ Way forward: Accountability
as the anchor of stability

⑦ Civic participation and watchdog
movements.
Strengthening citizen monitoring for transparent
democracies

⑧ Global cooperation on democratic
standards

International peer-review frameworks
for good governance

(OECD 2025)

⑨ Rebuilding democratic legitimacy
through reforms:

only accountable democracies
can sustain peace, justice,
and long-term stability.

(UNDP 2025)

⑩ Conclusion.