

Write down the Qur'ānic concept of dīn. Also, critically evaluate with historical evidence how it governed the political, economic, and cultural aspects of Muslim civilization.

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Introduction:

Ans.

Deen is a complete code of life. It deals with all aspects of life. Whether these are health issues, economic system, social problems or political affairs. Religion is linked with personal affair, but deen covers everything. Allah says in Quran "إِنَّ الدِّينَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ الْإِسْلَامُ" "Surely true deen with Allah is Islam".

Qurānic concept of Deen is Monotheistic. It encourage reasoning and intellect. Highlights the responsibilities of individuals. Previous religions were for people of that time and for certain period of time. But Islam is a universal. Quran addresses Allah as "رَبُّ الْعَالَمِينَ" ~~Alameen~~ means all worlds. It also addresses Holy Prophets (PBUH) as "رُسُلًا مِّنْ عِندِ اللَّهِ" which means Holy Prophet (PBUH) is blessing for all worlds. It also means that

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message of Prophet (PBUH) for every time period and universal.

### Quranic concept of Din:

According to Quran Din is Islam, and Islam deals with all spheres of life. It does not only addresses only personal issues but also societal issues.

#### (i) Health related issues:

Allah says in Quran "Eat and drink without going to excesses" (Surah A'raf)  
Quran prohibits excessive eating as it leads to health related problems.

Allah says in Surah Al-Baqarah "And do not let your hands contribute to your destruction" (Al-Baqarah)  
Islam promotes healthy eating and physical activities.

#### (ii) Daily life issue:

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Quran promotes high moral values. Allah says in Quran "Be kind to parents, relatives, orphan, the poor, near and distant neighbours (Al-Nisa: 36) Islam promotes social order. Allah says in Quran, "And do not let your hatred lead you to injustice" (Nisa: 135)

It highlights civic responsibilities along with the worship. These are known as *Amr-ul-Ibad*.

(iii) Proper Economic system: Islam introduced a *riba* (usury) free economic system for welfare of society. Usury based economic system depends upon exploitation of individuals. Islam introduced anti-capitalistic ideas. Allah says in Quran "O you who believe eat not usury doubled or multiplied" (Al-e-Imran). Instead of Usury Islam introduced Zakat system so that wealth do

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not get accumulated. And its circulation continues. Allah says in Suran  
"Establish prayers and pay zakaat"  
(Surah Luqman)

#### (iv) Promotion of reasoning and Intellect:

Allah says in Suran "There are signs for those who think" (Al-Quran)

During golden age of Islam many enormous explorers made discoveries and scientific contributions. Jabir Bin Hayan is known as father of chemistry. Musa Al-Khwarizmi gave concept of algorithm.

#### (v) Promotes good governance:

Islam promotes good governance, justice and equality. Allah says in Surah Hajj "They are those who, if established in land by us perform prayer, pay alms-tax, encourage what is good and forbid what is evil". (Surah Hajj)  
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Corruption and ill practices. Allah says in Quran "Do not spread corruption in the land after it has been set in order. (Anfal: 56)

Islam promotes human rights.

In Khutba-e-Hajjat-ul-Wida Prophet (PBUH) said "No white is superior than black or black is superior than white. Or Arabic is superior than Ajmi or Ajmi is superior than Arabic except for the piety."

Islamic political system discourages inequality. Allah says in Quran

"We created you from male and female and divided into tribes so that you may know each other." (Hijrat: 13)

### Conclusion:

Quranic concept of din deals with all aspects of life. It encourage equality, human intellect and rational thinking. It promotes social order, values

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of high morality, healthy lifestyle and physical activities. It balances the worldly affairs with religious affairs. It introduced an economic system where exploitation of individuals and accumulation of wealth is ~~is~~ prohibited. And circulation of wealth is promoted. Quran introduced a political system promoting human rights, equality and justice.

Analyze the categories of Tawḥīd and its impact on Muslim life. Despite the Qur'ānic emphasis on accountability in the Ākhirah, corrupt practices persist in many Muslim societies. Critically examine the reasons for this contradiction and suggest measures for reform.



Q4: Introduction:

Ans:

Tawheed is first and basic pillar amongst five pillars of Islam. It is a pillar that develops self-respect and dignity in a person. Makes a person upright and virtuous. Tawheed defines oneness of Allah in His worship, attributes and His actions. John Calvin says "The evidence of presence of God is expanding of universe" Allah says in Surah "That is knower of seen and unseen - the Almighty, Most merciful". (Sajdah: 6) Tawheed inculcate in person the sense of hope. It creates quality among people. Allah says in Surah "Be mindful of your Lord, who created you from single soul" (Al-Nisa: 1). Tawheed provides purpose to a person about his Creation.

## Impacts of Tauheed on Individ- ual's life:

(i) **Sense of accountability:** Encourage person to transform according to will of Allah. It creates sense of responsibility towards others. <sup>or</sup> make person careful about his act in this world:

Allah says in Quran "The day when wrong-doers will not benefit from their excuse" (5:2)

(ii) **Give purpose of Creation of Universe:** Tauheed teaches person that sole creator and sustainer is Allah. And sole purpose of his creation is to worship <sup>for</sup> Him. Allah says in Quran "I did not create jinn and human except to worship me" (51:56).

(iii) **Infuses self-respect and self-dignity:** Tauheed produces in a person high



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degree of self-respect and self-esteem  
Person believes that Allah is  
the possessor and sustainer of all of  
his needs. It makes him independ-  
ent and fearless.

(iv) Infuses sense of modesty and  
humility: Allah says in Quran "Surely Allah does not like whoever  
is arrogant" (Luqman: 18). Person  
learns to become humble due to  
the will of Allah.

(v) Produces sense of hope:  
Allah says in Quran "For indeed  
with hardship comes ease. Indeed  
with hardship comes ease" (Al-Sharh)  
Believer does not go into despair  
when circumstances are not good.  
He knows Allah has power over  
everything.

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## Impacts of Tauheed on Society:

### (i) Human equality and social equity

Tauheed implies all human are creature of one true God that is Allah. So they are all equal. Allah says in Quran "We created you from male and female and made you into tribes so that you may know each other" (Al-Hijrat: 13)

### (ii) Unity, Brotherhood and mutual cooperation:

Tauheed infuses unity among believers. Allah says in Quran "Certainly all muslims are brother" (Hijrat: 10)

Prophet (PBUH) said "Believers are like a body. If one part is ill all body feel pain"



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(iii) Collective peace and social justice:  
Qur'an inculcates socio-political and economic justice in society. Allah says in Quran "Do not let your hatred lead you to justice" (5:8) ~~On other~~  
On other place Allah says "Deal justly, that is nearer to your duty" (5:8)

### Persistence of Corruption practices in Pakistani society:

Aloofness from real teaching of Islam is one of reason of corrupt practices prevail in Pakistani society. Clergy are not playing positive role in leading people toward the will of Allah. Some extremists clerics are dividing people into sects and ideological differences.

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### Remedies:

Clergies must set aside their ideological differences and unite the muslim. They must inculcate in people the fear of Allah and day of judgement. Clergy should lead people towards the true teachings of Islam and prophet (PBUH)

### Conclusion:

Tawheed the basic belief of Islam. It is uncompromisable. It inculcates in person the sense of responsibility, accountability, equality and justice. It unites muslims into one ummah. It makes person humble and submissive to the will of Allah. However aloofness from its true teaching corrupt the society. Stickin-  
-g toward ~~not~~ real teaching of Tawheed results to prosperity.



