

## Question # 2

Explain the spirit of Federalism as enshrined in the 1973 Constitution. What measures are required for smooth functioning of relations between the center and the Province.

### Introduction :

Pakistan is a Federal parliamentary republic. It shares powers between the Federal Government and the provinces. Relations between federation and the provinces is defined in 1973 Constitution's Article 141-159. Federalism is a system of government in which balance of power between three tiers of government i.e. executive, judiciary and legislature. It prevent authoritarianism. Power is not concentrated in one hand. It implemented a federal parliamentary democratic with a bicameral legislature. Moreover 1973 constitution give the power

and accountability setup through the shadow of cabinet by the opposition.

In addition to it federation provide **NFC** to resolve the issue of unequal resources between center and province.

So, 1973 constitution of Pakistan provides all effective measure to resolve the conflict between center and province by sharing powers and resources.

In the above following paragraph clearly shows explain it.

### Spirit of Federation: According to 1973 Constitution

Federalism is a system of government in which the same territory is controlled by two levels of government, the central level and provincial level.

According to 1973 constitution, Pakistan is a federal country in which it shares power with provinces. It consider best form of

Government in diverse culture. Let explain it as:

## 1) Bicameral Legislature: Capinet & National Assembly

According to 1973 constitution of Pakistan is a federal ~~form~~ form of government. In which two houses work more Upper house called Capinet and lower house national assembly. Both houses represented center and province through their representatives. Upper house has 100 seats and lower house 342 seats.

## 2) Division of Power: close relation between legislative & Executive

In the federal form of Government power is sharing between three tiers of Government. As per 1973 constitution of Pakistan power is sharing between executive, legislature and judiciary. In this way this triangle

promote accountability of Government institution. Through this mechanism executive and ~~jud~~ legislature more close to each other.

### 3) **Independent judiciary: Justice for all**

Judiciary is the main pillar of a government. If justice is cheap in a country would be possible if judiciary is ~~not~~ free from illegal pressure of elite. In The constitution of Pakistan 1973 provides <sup>strength</sup> freedom to judiciary by making independent judiciary. So that every common man got justice.

### 4) **Fundamental rights**

1973 constitution of Pakistan making a country as a federal country. In which it ensure the fundamental rights through **Article 8-28**. It make the common man a strong individual.

## Autonomous Provinces: NFC Award

As a federal state Pakistan has autonomous provinces in its rights, resources and autonomy. Every provinces have share and remove disparity through NFC award.

## Measurements for smooth relations between center & provinces

According to constitution of Pakistan 1973, Pakistan is a federal state in which powers and resources are distributed between center and provinces. But due to political crisis and lack of best administrator parity between center and provinces disturb. It is rightly said that no form of Government of best only need proper implementation of policies. There are some steps need to take for smooth

# functioning of relations between center and province.

developing of interdependency between provinces and center

one nationalism spirit

Inter-provincial trade

revise the NFC award

ended the manipulation of elite province

grant out consolidated fund

Measurements for smooth relations

Priority of resources of under-developed provinces

Give education equally in all parts of country

curbsing of power patronage

formulas of parity established

ensure to deliver the basic rights in the country

remove mismanagement in distribution of resources and implement or policies.

## Critical Analysis

In All in all, Federal form of government is best and provided all necessary path to ensure transparency, improve disparity of right and balance of power. But only need to ensure implementation of constitution in its true spirit. By implementing in right way issue of center and province resolved.

## Conclusion

In nutshell, Pakistan is a federal country in which sharing of power and resources provides constitutional. In the federal country, like Pakistan three tiers of government work together and answerable to one another. It provides fundamental rights to every citizen of Pakistan. Moreover, center and provinces are equally strong and share power and resources equally.