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Essay : 2 : Elections are the Only Solution to Multi-Pronged Problems in Pakistan

### Outline

#### A. Introduction :

Thesis statement : Elections can provide a platform for stable democratic norms; however, it is not the only solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan. The country needs a comprehensive socio-economic and political reforms to overcome multiple problems faced by it.

#### B. Inter-relationship between Elections and Multi-Pronged Problems in Pakistan

#### C. Elections are Not the Only Solution to Multi-Pronged Problems in Pakistan (Thesis) :

- (a) Corruption cannot be eradicated through election
- (b) Leadership crisis cannot be managed by elections
- (c) Issue of political polarization and instability

cannot be resolved only through elections

(d) Economic crisis cannot be overcome by elections solely

(e) Prevailing social problems cannot be solved through elections only

D. Elections are the Only Solution to Multi-Pronged Problems in Pakistan.  
(Anti-thesis) :

(a) Transparency and accountability can be ensured

(b) Sincere and pro-active leadership can be acquired

(c) Political stability can be brought

(d) Achieving economic growth and development

(e) Elected government can resolve the social problems effectively

E. Socio-Economic and Political Reforms are the Solution to Multi-Pronged Problems in Pakistan : (Synthesis) :

(a) Through effective policies and institutionalization, good-governance can be achieved

(b) Leadership crisis can be averted through long-term vision and political reforms

(c) Promoting the culture of dialogue, diplomacy, and collaboration

- (d) Sustainable development needs a comprehensive approach
- (e) Investing in education and social development

## F. Conclusion

Different countries of the world faces different nature of problems. They seek different solutions to solve those issues. In democratic countries, new government is elected through election. In case of Pakistan, in fact, holding free and fair election is an issue. Sadly, always the winning party is accused of rigging in election. In reality, elections are not the panacea. It can provide a platform for stable democratic norms. However, the country needs an integrated and long-term reforms to overcome the lingering problems faced by it. Though there is some sort of inter-relationship between elections and multi-pronged problems in Pakistan. As several problems, as a matter of fact, exist due to unfair elections, such as bad-governance, political instability, economic crisis, and social unrest. But, in fact, elections are not the only solution. Because elections cannot solve problems like corruption, leadership crisis, political polarization, economic crisis, and social problems. On other hand, the opposite side views that it is elections are the cure for all ills. They argue that free and fair elections can guarantee good-governance, political stability,

and economic growth. Despite that, this view is wrong. Actually a broad socio-economic and political reforms are the solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan.

Somehow, both elections and multi-pronged problems in Pakistan are related and dependent on each other upto some extent. Since independence, Pakistan is faced with issue of leadership crisis and weak democratic norms. The first election<sup>held</sup> in 1970, which was termed as rigged. Since then, every elections are termed as partial and biased. Moreover, the civil-military leadership did not remain on one page. Therefore, Pakistan gets trapped in a series of problems. In all this, elections are the main factor. The<sup>are</sup> various problems exist in Pakistan governance structure, politics, economy, and in society exists; elections did play an important role in this regard. In spite of this, elections are not the only solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan.

The following paragraphs will describe that elections are not the only solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan, in detail.

~~First of all, elections are not the only solution to~~

eradicating corruption. First of all, corruption cannot be through corruption election. Through election politicians are elected but they do corruption despite being public representative. For example, In India, politicians do corruption after being elected through elections. Same is the situation in various other developing <sup>countries</sup> of the world. Hence, despite elections and democratic norms, most of the countries around the world are under the cruel web of corruption.

Secondly, leadership crisis cannot be overcome by elections. The country is faced with unprecedented leadership crisis since independence. The early death of Quaid-e-Azam and assassination of Liaquat Ali Khan fueled the crisis further. Moreover, leaderships are created through a long-term vision and process. In case of Pakistan, the issue of leadership crisis cannot be managed by elections only. Therefore, elections are not the only solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan.

Thirdly, the issue of political polarization and instability cannot be resolved only through elections. Despite elections,

the trend of polarized politics in Pakistan is ~~increasing~~ on rise. The intolerance in between political parties and its workers is enlarging. Likewise, the political parties are not on a single page over national issues and interests. Elections are occurring, despite the this, polarization in politics is increasing. Resultantly, it can be said that merely elections cannot resolved the political crisis and instability.

Fourthly, economic crisis cannot be overcome by elections solely. Economic crisis include trade deficit, budget deficit, inflation and so on. The economic growth of Pakistan is very low and slow despite several elections. Additionally, some developed countries like United Kingdom, USA, India (where elections held regularly) are also faced with issue of economic crisis. Conclusively, it can be accepted that elections only are not the solution to overcome economic crisis.

Last but not least, prevailing social problems cannot be solved through elections only. Social problems consist of overpopulation, poverty, illiteracy, unemployment and many more. Pakistan, despite being democratic country, is faced with

the issue of extreme poverty and high unemployment rate. Almost one 3rd of the population is unemployed. Therefore, by upholding democracy and elections, these problems cannot be solved only. It needs a comprehensive and long-term policy and reforms.

The In the following paragraphs, anti-thesis stance that elections are the only solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan will be described in detail.

The foremost point that supports that elections are the only solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan is that elections ensured transparency and accountability in the country. That is why, it can solve the multiple issues of the country. For instance, the systems of United Kingdom and USA are more transparent and accountable due to free and fair elections. These developed countries have resolved <sup>their</sup> these issues through upholding democratic norms. Hence, elections play a significant role in overcoming problems through by bringing transparency and accountability in the system.



Similarly, sincere and pro-active leadership can be acquired through transparent elections. Pakistan is faced with the issue of severe <sup>leadership</sup> ~~economic~~ crisis. One of its main reason is the inconsistent history of the country elections. Sincere and honest people are reluctant to join politics and prefer to leave this country. Therefore, leadership vacuum has been created. As a result, if elections ~~are~~ occurred regularly and timely, then <sup>true</sup> leadership will come to the surface, which would solved the multi-pronged problems in Pakistan.

In the same manner, political stability can be brought through elections, which could solved the multi-pronged problems in Pakistan. In Pakistan, or in any other country, whenever elections are delayed, it led to surge in various crisis. The current political instability in Pakistan can be effectively resolved by upholding a fair election. As long as the elections are delayed, political instability would enlarged further. Therefore, elections <sup>is</sup> the only solution to many problems by bringing political stability. In the same fashion, economic growth and development can be achieved

through elections. As free and fair elections would appoint a government which would focus on resolving the economic crisis. On the other hand, lack of elections would exacerbate the situation. Hence, elections are the only solution to economic crisis by achieving economic growth and development.

Lastly, elected government can resolve the social problems effectively. During election campaign, a political party presents its manifesto to the public. Upon making government, they consider themselves to be responsible for its solution. The people also expect the performance and delivery of the promises made in election campaign. Therefore, most social problems like poverty, illiteracy, and unemployment can be effectively resolved in this way. Resultantly, elections are responsible for solving the multi-pronged problems in Pakistan.

In the following paragraphs, the socio-economic and political reforms as the solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan will be described in length.

The first factor which can solve the multi-pronged problems in Pakistan is not an election but effective

policy making and institutionalization. Furthermore, it can help in bringing good-governance in the country. The root cause of all ills in Pakistan is lack of effective policies and its implementation. For this, strengthening institutionalization is the need of hour. That is how, multi-pronged problems can be cut from its root through proper policy making and implementing.

Likewise, long-term vision and political reforms can solve the various problems in Pakistan. The issue of leadership crisis can be averted through reforms in politics. The political parties in Pakistan must appoint their leader through merit and experience. Dynastic politics and ~~inheritance~~ inherited politics must be under-controlled. There should be merit and transparency of<sup>m</sup> selection of a politicians. Furthermore, if a political party lacks long-term vision then it will create more problems. Consequently, not only elections but also political reforms and vision can fill the gap of leadership crisis.

Moreover, promoting the culture of dialogue, diplomacy, and collaboration can solved the multi-pronged problems in Pakistan. Political polarization is the opposite of these values. While political stability can

be achieved through these values. The political leadership must adopt these characteristics. Then, in reality, political stability can be established. As a result, several problems in Pakistan can be solved accordingly.

Besides, a comprehensive approach can ~~bring~~ bring sustainable development, which can meet the need of present without compromising the future. Sustainable development is only possible through sustainable policies and reforms. In fact, this country needs effective policies in socio-economic and political domains. In reality, economic development of the developed countries is due to their sustainable policy making. Sustainable development goals (2015-2030) are key to achieve in this manner. Consequently, not elections but a comprehensive approach based on sustainable policies can curb multi-pronged problems in Pakistan.

Lastly, investing in education and social development is the solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan. It will create more awareness in the students as well as in a nation. Elections alone cannot resolve all our problems. Developed countries, for instance, USA, UK and so on,

invest heavily in their social and education sector. As a result, their human development and prosperity Index is better as compared to the developing world. Pakistan presently ranks 161 out of 192 states (2023). This shows that elections are not the panacea but reforms in the social and education sector can overcome the several ills in Pakistan.

To conclude, it can be said and accepted that elections provide a platform for stable democratic norms; however, it is not the only solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan. The country needs a comprehensive socio-economic and political reforms to eradicate multi-pronged problems in Pakistan.

As a matter of fact, both elections and Pakistan problems are related and dependent on each other. But some people argue that elections are the only remedy. They said that good governance, ~~sur~~ effective leadership, political stability, and economic growth can be attained through elections only. In fact, this view is wrong, as elections are not the only solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan, as corruption, political instability, leadership crisis, economic crisis, and

Social problems cannot be solved through elections only. However, it can be synthesized that socio-economic and political reforms are the solution to multi-pronged problems in Pakistan. Through effective policies and institutionalization, good-governance can be achieved. Similarly, leadership crisis can be averted through political reforms. Political stability can be achieved through collaboration and diplomacy. Also, economic crisis can be averted through sustainable policies. All in all, most of Pakistan problems can be resolved through the comprehensive <sup>policies and</sup> different measures. Moreover, different countries solved their problems through different means. But in case of Pakistan, the only solution is not elections but a large scale comprehensive reforms, which can avert the multi-pronged problems in Pakistan.

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