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Ans Introduction

The ^{concept} ~~word~~ of Ijtihad refers to the process of individual efforts to find solution to an emerging problem according to the legal sources such as Quran and Hadith.

This process strives for the guidance which is not directly provided by Quran and Hadith.

It involves the application of logic, knowledge, and analytical thinking to find out solutions to modern and new issues within the framework of Islam.

In essence, Ijtihad allows for a dynamic approach to Islamic law which encourages intellectual engagement and adaptability. Its

principles include: adherence to Quran and Sunnah, analogical

reasoning, public welfare, jurist's preference. In short, Ijtihad holds

significant in modern life as

it provides guidance on the issues that may not have explicit answers in primary sources.

Concept of Ijtihad.

Literally, the word "Ijtihad" is derived from Arabic word "Jahd" which means to strive or to put efforts, to deduce a principle. It means exercising one's judgement or opinion under the guidance of Islamic law. In other words, when there is no explicit or implicit Divine Ruling, considering what is more in line to Islamic law is called Ijtihad.

Principles of Ijtihad.

Islam is Ijtihad is a fundamental concept of Islamic jurisprudence which allows Islamic law to be flexible and adaptive. Following are some of the basic principles of Ijtihad:

→ For one to exercise ijtihad, it is necessary to have a thorough understanding of Quran and Hadith.

→ Since Quran is written in

Arabic, a mujtahid must know it in order to understand and interpret Quran and Islamic law correctly.

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→ Mujtahids need to go into extensive details about rules and limitations of interpretation.

→ A mujtahid must consider the social, cultural and historical context.

Importance of Ijtihad in Modern Life.

The concept of Ijtihad plays a pivotal role in the interpretation of Islamic law about the new emerging situations evolving due to modernization.

Quran has many times emphasized on Ijtihad to understand Islamic fiqh.

Modern technology, science and globalization ethical and legal questions that did not exist in earlier times. Ijtihad enables scholars to interpret Islamic

in a way that provides guidance on these contemporary challenges. Furthermore, as societies evolve, cultural and social dynamics change, Ijtihad allows for the adaptation of Islamic teachings within diverse cultural contexts. Resultantly, it makes Islamic teaching relevant in different regions and periods. Not only this, it also encourages critical thinking and creativity to promote a dynamic and proactive engagement with religious knowledge. In a nutshell, Ijtihad is vital for modern life as it ensures that Islamic principles remain practical, responsive, and aligned with the evolving needs of the society. It allows Islamic teachings to contribute positively to contemporary ethical, legal and social debates.