

## (MOCK - 05) Pakistan AFFAIRS

### QUESTION NO : 03

Discuss the possibilities of establishing a functioning, robust democracy requires a healthy, educated ---?

#### Introduction :-

Establishing a functioning and robust democracy requires a comprehensive approach that prioritizes the health, education of citizenry, encourages the active participation and ownership, educated and morally grounded leadership. As the democracy means "power of people".

seeley defines Democracy as :-

"Government in which everyone has a share"

Abraham Lincoln defines as :-

"Democracy is the government of the people, by the people and for the people."

• Relate your headings to the qs

Conditions for successful Democracy :-

Certain conditions are necessary for a state to become a successful democratic state.

Such as :-

- 1. Importance of public opinion
- 2. Transparency and Accountability
- 3. Fundamental Rights (Food, health, education)
- 4. Responsible leadership

- Tolerance / Respect for other opinions
- Maximization of Equality
- Free and Fair election

## Contribution of all democratic principles

in a robust democracy :-

### (1) Healthy, Educated and participatory Followership :-

For a robust democracy in a state, a healthy, educated and participatory followership is necessary and it helps in spreading awareness in society, portraying a positive image globally, community organization, petitions and referendums, social movements, and so on.

#### (a) Awareness and understanding :-

An educated followership is essential. Education fosters critical thinking and ability to analyze information, which help them to distinguish between facts and misinformation.

Add and highlight references/examples against these arguments

#### (b) community organization:

An educated and healthy citizen following and discussing local issues and implying their voices at different level of government.

#### (c) petitions and referendums:

Educated followership can organize petitions to bring issues directly to ballot or initiate referendums.

## ② Educated, morally Grounded Leadership :-

For a successful democratic state, a well-educated and morally grounded leadership is important. If they lead, then they can be lead successfully, motivate, and inspire their public.

### (a) Integrity and Accountability :-

Leaders prioritize ethical decision-making and are accountable for their actions. They will make such policies and set some standards for accountability. ~~and~~ <sup>morally grounded</sup> to ensure that values transparency.

### (b) Vision and Inclusivity :-

~~17~~ Effective leaders articulate a clear vision for the future and work towards inclusive policies that consider the interest of all citizens, particularly marginalized groups.

### (c) Empowerment of citizens :-

Leaders should empower citizens by encouraging their involvement in governance and decision-making process.

**Add more arguments**

A 20 marks answer should have around 15 arguments and be on 7-9 pages

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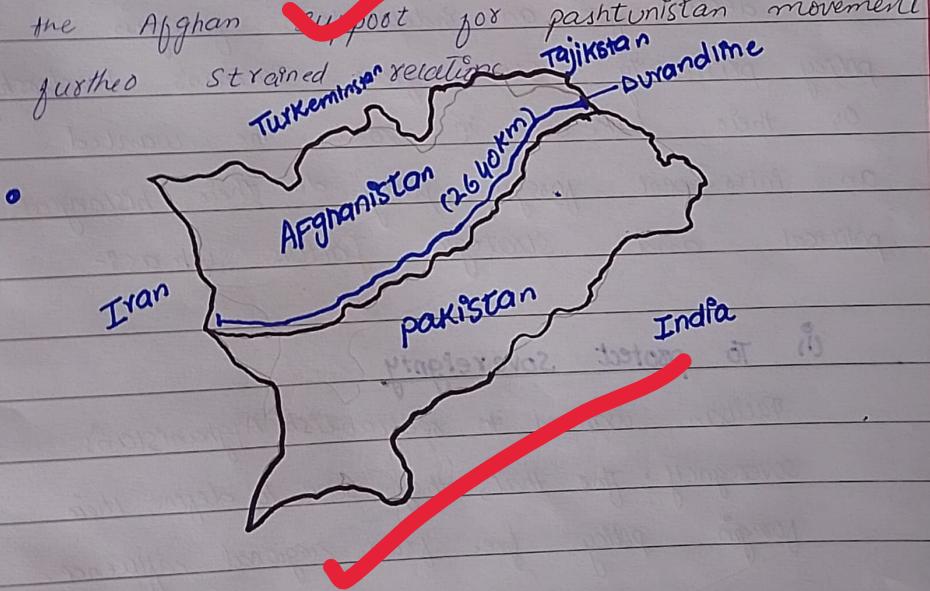
Afghanistan leaders wants to pursue more independent foreign policy and -----?

### Historical Background of Pak-Afghan Foreign

#### Afghanistan foreign policy:-

##### i) post Independence (1947) :-

Pakistan-Afghanistan foreign policy is marked with a mix of cooperation, conflict. After the formation of Pakistan in 1947, Afghanistan was one of the first countries to oppose "Divide and Rule" and refused to recognize the border, which became one of the reasons of conflict. Secondly, the Afghan support for Pashtunistan movement further strained Turkmenistan relations.



##### ii) Cold War Era:-

In Soviet-Afghan war, there was a change in dynamics. Pakistan became a key-player in U.S-backed effort to resist Soviet power, providing support to Afghan mujahideen groups. This solidified Pak-Afghan relations.

### (iii) post Soviet Era / Rise of Taliban:-

After the withdraw of Soviet forces, Taliban rose into power, supported by Pakistan.

### (iv) post 9/11 Era:-

After 9/11, Pakistan faced pressure to cooperate with the US in combating terrorism, which complicated the relationship with Afghanistan.

## Afghanistan independent Foreign policy in the region:-

The desire for an independent foreign policy primarily stems from Taliban's leadership. On their take over in 2021, they wanted an independent foreign policy due to their historical, political and strategic factors. Such as:-

### (i) To protect sovereignty

Taliban wanted to reestablish Afghanistan's sovereignty. For that, they seek to define their foreign policy free from regional influence.

### (ii) Desire for stability:-

Due to past intervention, Afghanistan suffered from instability, conflict. So that, they promote the regional stability by engaging with multiple countries than with any single power.

### iii Economic interests:-

To them, an independent foreign policy can enhance pose. Afghanistan's appeal to foreign investor by representing a stable state.

### Pakistan and Afghanistan independent Foreign policy:-

Especially in context of Pakistan, Afghanistan independent foreign policy can pose challenges as well as new opportunities for Pakistan.

#### ⇒ Opportunities for Pakistan:-

Due to Afghanistan independent foreign policy in the region, Pakistan can have several opportunities.

→ Economic cooperation

(e.g. Extending CPEC into Afghanistan)

→ Regional Stability

(leading to enhanced trade and cooperation in countering terrorism)

#### ⇒ Challenges for Pakistan:-

→ Reduced Leverage

Pk. independent Foreign policy could embolden its ties with other players e.g. China, Russia.

→ Security concern

Pashtunistan people could destabilize KPK.

→ Counter-Terrorism Instability in Afg could create a challenge for Pak, like TTP find refugees across border.