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System of Checks and Balances in US constitution.

Introduction:

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of checks and balances and still not interfere into each other domain.

↳ Checks of President over congress:-

President is the chief executive of the country. His cabinet has no link with congress but still his approval congress cannot pass bills without approval of president. When a bill is proposed in either house i.e. house of representatives or senate after voting in one house it is sent to other house for approval then it is sent to president for approval. President can either withhold the assent, approve or either veto the bill.

↳ Checks of Congress over President:-

President is indeed the chief executive of the state. But, his powers are kept in check by the congress. President signs the treaties with foreign countries, but those treaties cannot be executed and implemented without the approval of house of representatives or senators.

When president vetoes a bill, it is sent to houses again for reconsideration. When it is sent again to president for approval and he vetoes it, then the house can auto-

materially pass it with $2/3^{\text{rd}}$ majority & the bill becomes a law.

↳ Checks of Judiciary over Congress:

Judiciary of USA is independent in its true sense. It keeps check on congress and executive about any laws that are unconstitutional. If law or bill is unconstitutional or fundamental rights of citizens it is declared null and void by the supreme court of USA.

↳ Check of executive over Judiciary:

All the judges to the supreme court are appointed by the president.

↳ Checks of congress over (Executive) Judiciary:

Congress also keeps check over Judiciary. If any judge is found to be guilty of any misconduct the movement of impeachment can be initiated against them in congress (House of representatives and senate).

Lessons for Pakistan:-

Separation of power and parliamentary form of government of Pakistan:-

Pakistan has parliamentary form of government. Which means that prime minister is responsible to national assembly, and his government can only survive if he has confidence of majority in Parliament. If PM doesn't agree to any demand of MRAs and ministers they resign and his government automatically gets dissolved. This is why prime ministers in Pakistan have never been able to independently exercise his authority. In presidential form of government, President has his own cabinet and he chooses his ministers of his own choice. He has no fear of dissolution of his government. By implementing presidential form of government in true spirit in Pakistan, the executive leader would independently take his decision.

Strong Judiciary as a precedent for Pakistan:-

The Judiciary of USA is supreme in its true spirit. It keeps check over

legislature and executive by declaring unconstitutional laws null and void. No Parliamentary or executive authority can reverse its decision. No parliamentary or executive official is involved in judiciary or its procedures. Pakistan has weak judiciary because parliamentary authorities are involved in the appointment of judges. If the supreme judicial council is reconstituted and only judicial officials are involved in it & ~~the~~ the 27 and 26 amendments are reversed then the judiciary of Pakistan can also become independent and effective.

Effective and Strong parliament: USA ~~par~~ congress approves all the ~~par~~ decision taken by executive. But, the parliament of Pakistan is merely a rubber stamp and it cannot disapprove decisions of prime minister, which threatens concentration of power in one hand. If the system of checks and balances is implemented in Pakistan effectively then it can bring a change.

Conclusion:-

The political system

of the USA is a true example for world to follow. If a country implements it such as Pakistan, not only will political stability be experienced but economic prosperity as well.

Question no: 3

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Historical and contemporary role of military in Politics of Turkey:-

Introduction:-

When Ottoman empire was disintegrated by the allied forces and Turkey was taken over and most of its areas were given to Greece. It was military that got Turkish areas back and made Turkey an independent country out of shackles of foreign power. So from the beginning the role of military was strong in politics due to security of the country. Its role got institutionalized through the establishment of national security council and then the military coups and military rule.

However, in 2017 through several amendments the role of President was strengthened.

Role of military in politics over the years:-

Independence of Turkey:-

Military helped Turkey to get independence. Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, a military official ruled the country.

Military Coups:-

Turkey was under military rule in between the civilian rule through coup. They institutionalized their role through NSC (National Security Council). So, even during civilian rule it had enough say in politics.

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