

(English Essay)  
Test - 2

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## The Paralysis of Justice in Pakistan

### Outline

#### (1) Introduction:

Paralyzed justice system of Pakistan breeds societal upheaval, economic woes, political crisis and judicial chaos. There is a need of multipronged strategy to revitalize justice system of Pakistan.

#### (2) Judicial System — An Important Pillar of State

#### (3) Handicapped Justice Give Rise to Societal Upheaval:

(a) Gender-based violence

↳ (Noor Muqaddam case)

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(b) Non-preservation of minorities rights  
↳ (Killing of Sri-Lankan manager in Sialkot)

(c) Unequal distribution of resources  
↳ (Balochistan's resentment)

#### (4) Crippled Justice in Pakistan

##### Results in Economic Woes:

(a) Emergence of mafias and monopolies  
↳ (Sugar mafia)

(b) Monster of corruption prevails  
↳ (Reference from Why Pakistan will survive?)

(c) Tax evasion - a sequel of weak justice

#### (5) Parapalegic Justice in Pakistan

##### Generates Political Crisis:

(a) Dented rule of law  
↳ (Political elites consider themselves above law)

(b) Misuse of power ↳ (Panama leaks)

(c) Absence of meritocracy

↳ (Maleeha Lodhi Reference from Pakistan beyond the crisis state)

## (6) Incapacitated Justice in

### Pakistan Fosters Judicial Chaos:

(a) Justice delayed is justice denied

↳ (Mukhtaran Mai rape case)

(b) Culture of non-accountability

↳ (Chief Justice of Pakistan (Sajid Ali Qazi case study))

(c) No transparency in criminal cases

↳ (High-class people scapegoat the crimes)

## (7) Way Forward To Revamp

### Justice in Pakistan:

(a) Assert zero-tolerance against culture of corruption

(b) Timely delivery of justice in judicial and criminal courts

(c) Assert rule of law

## (8) Conclusion

We cannot build the foundations of a state without unbiased justice system. (Mahmoud Abbasi)

## The Paralysis of Justice in Pakistan

Decades of mismanagement, political manipulation and corruption have rendered Pakistan's justice system incapable of providing effective justice. (International Crisis Group)

A capable justice system builds the basic foundation of a democratic state. Unfortunately, the justice in Pakistan is paralyzed which is unable to preserve fundamental human rights. The handicapped justice in Pakistan give rise to gender based violence and unequal distribution of resources which in turn disrupt a harmonized society. On economic front, emergence of castles, rampant corruption and tax evasion are aftermath of crippled justice in Pakistan. In political sphere, dented rule of law and misuse of power are outcomes of paralyzed justice in Pakistan.

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Taking into account the judicial realm, delayed justice, culture of non-accountability and no transparency are the deleterious ramifications of incapacitated justice in Pakistan. However, dancing around the fire is not a solution. There is always a silver lining in the dark clouds. Therefore, there is a need of holistic and prudent strategy in order to revamp the judicial structure of Pakistan.

Paralyzed justice system of Pakistan breeds societal upheaval, economic woes, political crisis and judicial chaos.

There is a need of multipronged strategy to revitalize justice system of Pakistan.

To begin with the societal sphere, parapalegic justice fosters gender-based violence. As the society of Pakistan is patriarchal which is considered as male-dominated. Women faces harassment

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not only at its homes but also at workplace. Most of these cases are left unreported and others are disposed off due to political affiliations with criminals. The brutal murder of Noor Meqaddam by Zahir Jaffar presents a glaring picture of paralysis of justice in Pakistan. Owing to such biased decisions, the man of society emboldens and subjugates women under his oppression. Thus, it is explicit that weak justice in Pakistan hampers social growth.

There is no denying of the fact that crippled justice in Pakistan nurtures political crisis. The concept of sacred cows prevails and favours are made to the favourites. It produces a kitchen cabinet in Pakistan's Parliament.

“The criterion of allocation in Pakistan is

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particularistic not  
universalistic."

(Mateeha Lodhi - Pakistan Beyond  
The Crisis State)

Absence of merit gives  
birth to nepotism which  
hinders democratic evolution  
of Pakistan. Hence, it is  
crystal clear that Pakistan's  
justice system is paralyzed  
hindering the evolution of  
governance system.

Over and above that, incapacitated  
justice in Pakistan mushrooms  
judicial mayhem. Pakistan's  
judicial system portrays a  
nightmarish scenario where  
justice is not timely  
delivered. The age-old cases  
are pending in the courts  
of Pakistan just due to  
flawed rules and regulations.

There are estimated 1.9mn  
pending cases as per report  
of Law and Justice  
Commission of Pakistan. It  
is widely accepted that

justice delayed is justice denied as illustrated in the **Mukhtaran Mai rape case**. So, the justice in Pakistan is flawed and under the clutches of feudal lords.

In conclusion, Pakistan's justice system is going through several ebbs and flows. The paralyzed justice engenders social catastrophe in form of social inequalities. On the same pattern, economic woes are exacerbated due to crippled justice in Pakistan. **Mafias** and **castels** rule over the economic policies which in turn add fuel to the already dwindling economy. Similarly, political and judicial crisis are the fallouts of weak justice in Pakistan. So, there is a dire need to revitalize the justice in Pakistan through effective and efficient measures.

We cannot build the foundations of a state without unbiased justice system. (Mahmoud Albari)