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TOPIC:

'THE PARALYSIS OF JUSTICE IN PAKISTAN'

OUTLINE

1 → Introduction:

Since the inception of Pakistan, numerous challenges have been faced leading to paralyzed justice in Pakistan, which now needs heavy medication to make Pakistan a developed and prosperous nation.

2 → Justice: A key to Human Development.

3 → Reasons behind Paralyzed Justice in Pakistan:

- 3.1 → Weak institutional framework.
- 3.2 → Political inclusion hinders the decision making process.
- 3.3 → Lack of resources leading to capacity constraints.
- 3.4 → Disturbed balance of power.
↳ Clipping of Judicial powers in recent amendment.
- 3.5 → Patriarchial society hindering the rights of women at all ages.
↳ Noor MUKKadam case.

3.6 → Misuse of modern technology for generation of fake evidences.

3.7 → Biased media highlights one side of the story.

4 → Medication required for Paralyzed Justice treatment:

4.1 → Equal empowerment of all democratic institutions.

4.2 → Adequate resource allocation for effective investigation.

4.3 → Hiring must be on the basis of meritocracy and avoid spoil system.

4.4 → Discourage political inclusion in judicial system.

4.5 → Media needs not to be biased.

4.6 → Judicial powers must not be affiliated with any specific group.

5 → Conclusion.



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"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere", said the Martin Luther King Junior. A paralyzed justice system undermines the positive points of the society as well. The paralyzed justice system of Pakistan is majorly due to the political inclusion into different matters, recent clipping of judicial powers, lack of ample resources for litigation and the patriarchal society of Pakistan. The recent rule of index published by world Justice project in 2024 ~~ranked~~ ranked Pakistan at 129 out of 142 countries. This index highlights the weaknesses of the Judicial system of Pakistan. It is important for Pakistan's government and all the institutions to focus on the deliverance of justice to every single person, whether it be a minority or any suppressed group. Major medications required for the treatment of paralyzed justice is to empower the institutions, avoid political inclusion into other matters except parliamentary and other than that media should also focus on not to given biased remarks on any matter. Since the inception of Pakistan, challenges are being faced at different levels which now require heavy medication to make Pakistan a developed and prosperous nation.

Justice is the name of ensuring basic human rights to masses - irrespective of cast, colour and creed. Justice prevalence does not mean justice at national level but it starts from house holds, from the small streets of the town and extends to international level. It can be said that Justice is the key to Human Development. The human development index published by UN is based on health, education and the standard of living. It can be noted that where justice is compromised the rights of masses are compromised and so is the human development. The recent Human Development Index published by UN in 2024 ranked Pakistan at 164 out of 193 countries, which is the low category and highlights the weaknesses of the nation which need to be addressed for the development of this nation. Being a Muslim country with majority following the teachings of Quran and Sunnah, it is evident that the religion has also taught to avoid injustice. Highlighting a saying of Holy Prophet (S.A.W), "O My Servants, I have forbidden injustice upon myself and have made it forbidden amongst you, so do not commit injustice". This saying of our beloved Prophet (S.A.W), highlights the importance of Justice as followed by himself as well. Hence, it

is important to prevail justice in the country - at all levels - to improve as a nation.

One of many major reasons of paralyzed justice in Pakistan is the weak institutional framework. Pakistan - since its birth - is facing the issue of compromised justice system, whether it be in the apex court or workplaces. Recent 18th amendment in the constitution of Pakistan was seen as a major step in clipping the powers of judiciary, undermining the judicial independence and ensuring the dominance of parliament over judiciary. On the other hand, work places with extensive hierarchy compromise the rights of those residing at lower levels in hierarchy. The weak institutional framework normalizes the weak justice system leading to major conflicts and grudges against each other. This is one of the major reason behind the paralyzed justice system of Pakistan. Hence, not only government but private stakeholders must also recognize this issue and put efforts for its improvement. However, it is the foremost duty of the government to look into this matter which might create an example for others.

Analysis of the history of Pakistan makes it easier to analyze the reasons of the current situation, which have been ignored from the ~~every~~ first day. Political inclusion at some steps into the decision making process of judiciary has hindered the process of decision making. The biggest example to this which needs to be highlighted is the case of Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto, where the court ordered his assassination and years later he was considered as innocent and not guilty. Such cases and inclusion of politics into judicial matters highly impact the original decisions leading to biased decisions and compromise justice - favouring the one's guilty. Political powers are also used to prolong the case and let the time pass which leads to delayed process of justice and paralyze the justice for those who are rightful of it. Therefore, political inclusion leads to compromise ~~the~~ the rights of the innocent considering them guilty through the gain of political powers. William Gladstone said, "Justice delayed is Justice denied". Hence, the prolonged cases also lead to compromised justice.