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Introduction:

Islam is a complete code of life, enabling the creature of Allah to reach pinnacles of success through a system outlined by the Lord of Thrones. In this regard, the framework of governance in Islam is inextricably tied to the message of Allah and His Prophet.

The principles of governance in Islam are a set of lofty ideals where equality, inclusivity and services of masses by the path of Allah is highly valued and regarded. The answer is an attempt to disclose the principles of governance in Islam, establishing them most relevant and supreme.

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What is good governance in Islam:

The concept of good governance in Islam is tied to the values established by Holy Quran and are respected and practiced by the reverend Prophet and his companions (RA)

Islam and the Future
of Economics

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Principles of good governance in Islam:

In purely economic terms,
Islam values and regard
equality

The first and foremost
basic principle of
governance is equality
in treating all beyond
their variables. This
makes it the best.

The most noble among
you in the sight of
Allah is the one most
headful of Him

Al-Hujraat: 13

Inclusivity is the
fundamental characteristic.

Inclusivity means
shared and equitable
growth which is a
lynchpin of Islamic
governance framework.

The policy makers are
accountable to Allah and
masses

Accountability is highly
critical, with rulers
accountable to Allah
and people.

To Allah belongs whatever is
in Earth or heaven. Whether you
reveal whatever is in your heart
or conceal it, Allah will call
you to account for it

State resources are
'amanah' of people to
be equitably redistributed

Amanah is a basic
term, but its meaning
is vast here. Amanah has
to be returned.

Indeed, Allah commands
you to return their
rightful owners. And when
you judge, judge with fairness

Al Nisa: 58

Economic and social justice
guides Islamic governance

Social justice make
Islam a society where
society is aligned with
the ideals of Islam.
Same goes for economy.

Siphoning off the Funds meant for public is prohibited

The Funds are carefully utilised, in the service of Allah and people. Corruption has no meaning, except evil.

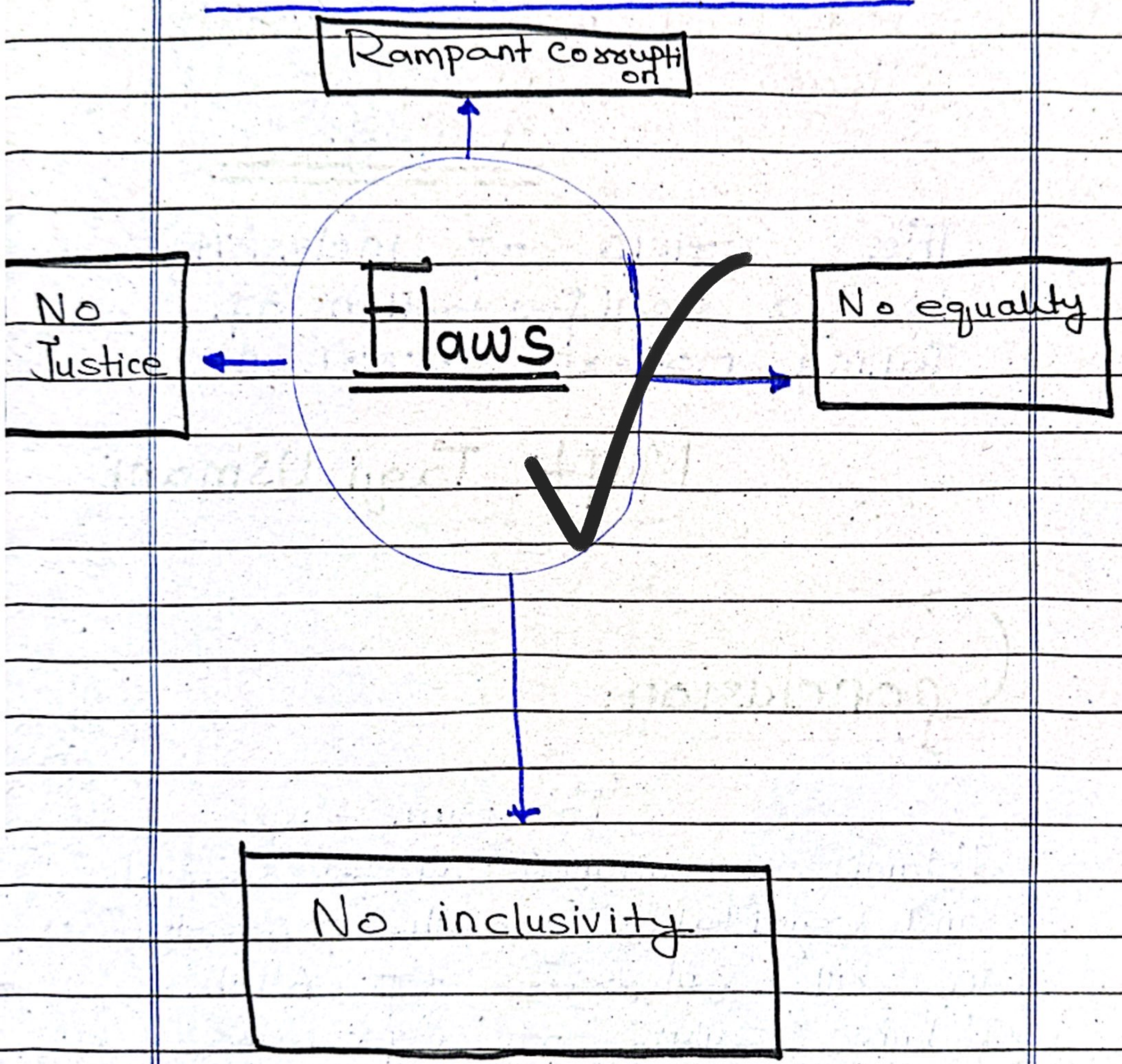
Do not consume one another's wealth unjustly, nor bribe authorities to devour a portion of other's wealth knowing it's a sin

2:188

Circulation of wealth, eradication of poverty and prosperity is central to Islamic governance

The ideals of Islam are prosperity for all instrument of positive society, nothing for evil causes.

What are Flaws of Modern governance - in sharp contrast to Ideal Islamic System



Those who if established by Us in the land would perform prayer, pay alms-tax, promote what is good, and eliminate what is bad. And with Allah rests outcome of all affairs.

Al-Hajj: 41

The crisis of inclusivity is a manifestation of failing modern governance

Mufti Taqi Usmani

Conclusion:

To Sum it up, Islamic governance call for shared and equitable growth of society in all spheres of Allah. Today's failure of governance are apparent since the ideals of Islamic governance are abandoned. It is time governance be oriented along Islamic lines.

Q2

Introduction

Following the demise of revered Prophet, Islam's march to a society of highest value is the result of the teaching of Holy Quran, the great Prophet and implementation policies of khulfa-e-Rashidun. Their letters to their governance posted across vast swathes of Arabia are torch-bearers of great governance framework, guiding the art of statecraft. Such is the relevance of those letters that the society needs their guidance in today's world. The answer attempts to demonstrate the principles of governance envisioned in those letters.

Letters of Hazrat Umar^{ra}: Governance and Public Administration

Justice and accountability, Hazrat Umar's letter to Hazrat Muawiya^{ra} in Damascus

The importance of justice is the clear and distinguished message of Hazrat Umar's letter to his deputy. Administration of Justice is highly valued.

Austerity on agenda: letter to Hazrat Saad Ibn Waqas^{ra} (Persia)

The concept of austerity is highlighted, noting that living beyond means is an evil.

Impartial Selection of judges - A letter to Hazrat Muad Ibn Jabal - Yemen

The selection of judges is very important in today's world. Hazrat Umar writes that only impartial judges must be selected so that justice is not denied to anyone.

Statecraft, justice, and guidelines of Islamic order: A letter to Hazrat Amir Ibn Aas: Egypt

The value of statecraft in Islam is viewed synonymous to service of masses. So that there is shared growth.

Letters of Hazrat

Ali: governance and

Public Administration

Separation of judicial
and administrative powers -
Hazrat Ali's^(r) Letter to
Malik Al Ash'ar in Egypt

The letter by Hazrat Ali notes the significance of an independent judiciary. The concept of power separation is analysed and detailed to the deputy in Egypt. 1000 years later, this concept came to stir quite a commotion.

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The emphasis on
justice and humility -

A letter to Hazrat Ziyadh
Ibn Abee'h" in Basra

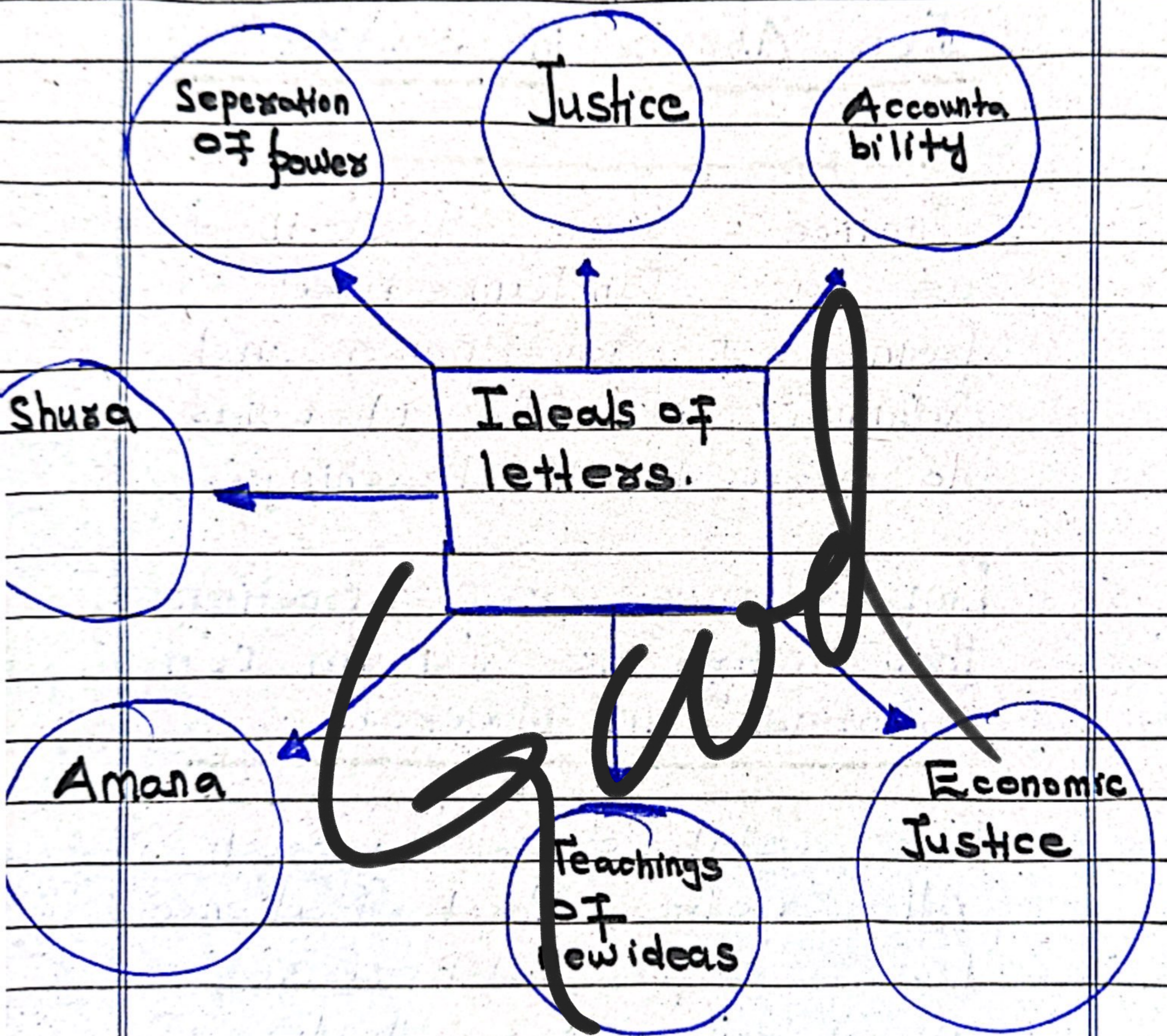
Justice was described
as a fundamental
point of governance and
administration. The idea was
to serve Allah's teachings.

Importance of patience,
the letter to Quthum Ibn
Abbass" in Makkah

For statescraft, Hazrat
Ali notes, that patience
is of immense
importance, so that
decisions are well
thought through.

Concept of letters:

A guideline for Public Administration and governance



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Views of Scholars

By implementing those guidelines, the world could channelise resource to eliminate poverty.

Kofi Annan
Former UN Secretary General

Much can be learnt from such valueable traditions to the Islamic academia

Dr. Is'haq Ahmed

Lessons for the world - an appraisal and guideline for better future

In today's world where governance and public administration are markedly seeing a crisis state, the relevance of letters penned by Hazrat Umar[ؓ] and Ali[ؓ] are guidelines to be utilized.

These letters should be vastly mainstreamed

Syed Abul Ala Mududi

Conclusion: The letters penned by the great statesmen of Islam are a stark reminder of prudent administration and inclusive governance in Islam. It is high time for all societies to borrow a leaf or two from them to realise the potential of mankind.