

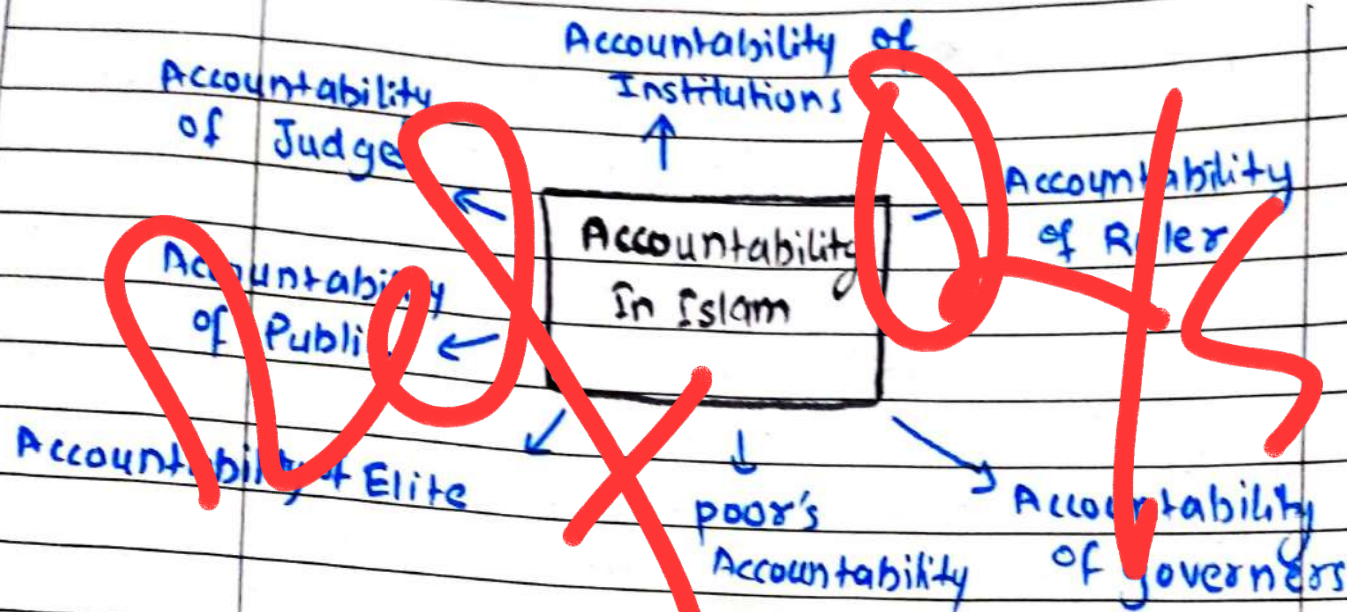
QUESTION-1

(1) Introduction: Accountability crucial for good governance

Public administration is the government in action. Accountability means oversight of all stakeholders of the state to prevent power misuse and ensure efficient public service delivery. For good governance, accountability is a crucial precedent. In Islam, man is accountable both in this world and hereafter. The sovereignty in Islamic state belongs to Allah, so man is just a successor to implement His law in the state. The system of dual accountability ensures rule of law, equity, transparency and social justice in a state. It pledges welfare of whole society without any biasness.

(2) Concept of Accountability in Islam

Islam holds accountable every man and every institution of the state to prevent injustice at all levels.



(a) Accountability of Ruler

In Islam, ruler is an appointee from Allah to protect basic rights, properties, and dignity of mankind under his rule. He has a sacred trust from Allah to ensure implementation of Sharia law. He is responsible for all matters in his state. Hence, he is accountable and answerable for all injustices under his tutelage.

(b) Accountability of Judges

As judges ensure laws and regulations in a country justly. They have a trust from Allah to establish justice. Additionally, judges are immune from law in Islam. They are answerable for every decision and authority given to them.

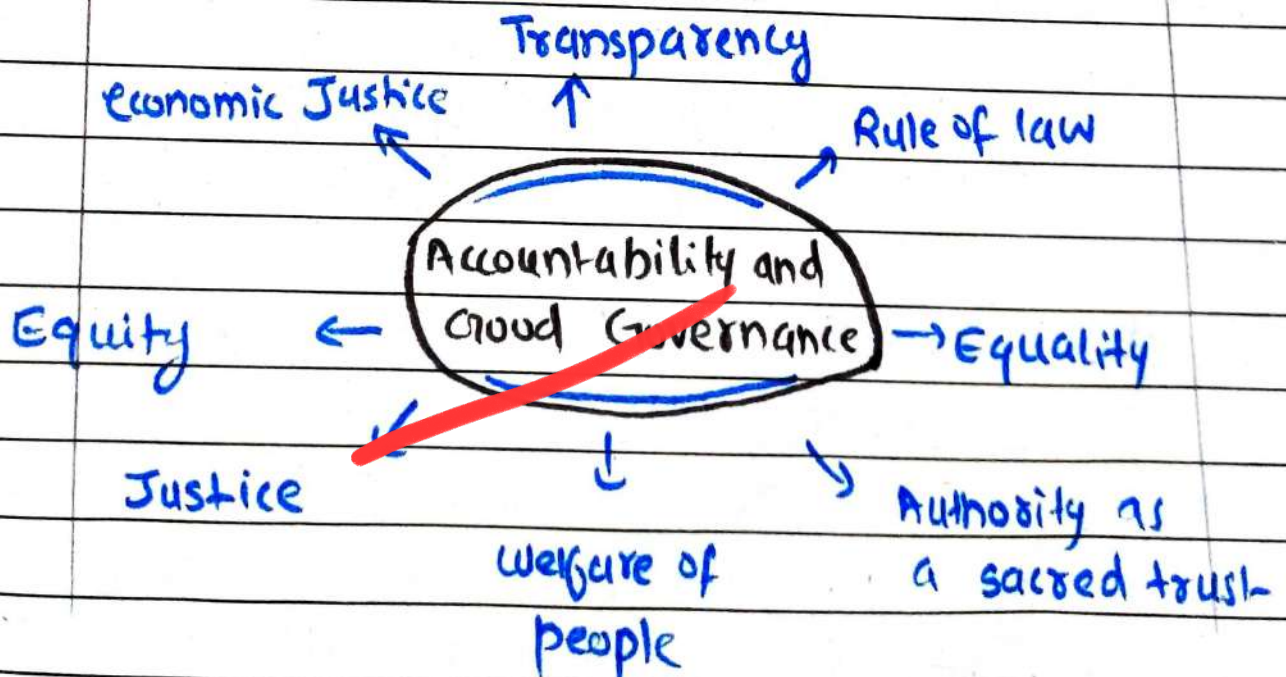
(c) Accountability of all institutions including Majlis-e-shura

In islam all institutions including economic, political, social, and legal are answerable

(d) Accountability of all stakeholders without biasness:

Every stakeholder without discrimination of colour, social status, religion and ethnicity is accountable before state and Allah Almighty. Hence, in islam the concept of accountability includes everyone from ruler to the poorest man in the state.

(3) Accountability in Public Administration is crucial for Good Governance



(a) Sovereignty belongs to Allah

The whole authority in public administration in an Islamic state belongs to Allah, the Exalter. As illustrated in Quran than,

And who is better than Allah in judgment for people [Surah Al-Maida]

(b) Man holds sacred trust from Allah in public administration

Mankind is appointed by Allah as His successor. So, man is totally answerable for each administrative affair that he conducts in an Islamic state. This concept creates a conscience about sacred trust and resultantly, ensure good governance. This is mentioned in Surah Yunus that

And we have appointed you as their successors in the earth (Surah Yunus)

(c) Accountability of judges reinforces justice in state

As judges are responsible for their judgement. Hence, they conduct their duty with vigilance. Hence, it

ensures justice without discrimination, thereby enabling good governance. Allah commands about justice in Holy Quran that
 ان الله يامر بالعدل والاحسان
 Allah commands justice, the doing of good

[Surah Al-Nahl]

(d) Rule of law prevails with accountability of all stakeholders

Rule of law means law applies to everyone including ~~rule~~ of state. It is a crucial component of good governance, administered through oversight.

(e) Accountability ensures completion of responsibility in public administration

When every state official completes his responsibility and duty as a sacred trust from Allah, then welfare and prosperity are secured in the society. Hence, accountability maximize efficient public service delivery, reinforcing good governance.

(f) Transparency in public administration

Transparency means all the

data regarding revenue collection, spending, policies and their implementation must be available before public. As state official become accountable, transparency removes all chances of corruption and bribery, establishing good governance.

(9) Equality without biasness: path towards good governance

As Islam holds everyone accountable, it reiterates that ~~equality~~ ^{protection of} ~~of~~ ^{rights and} all ~~in~~ before law. This ensures responsibility of everyone. Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) explicitly mentioned during pilgrimage sermon that

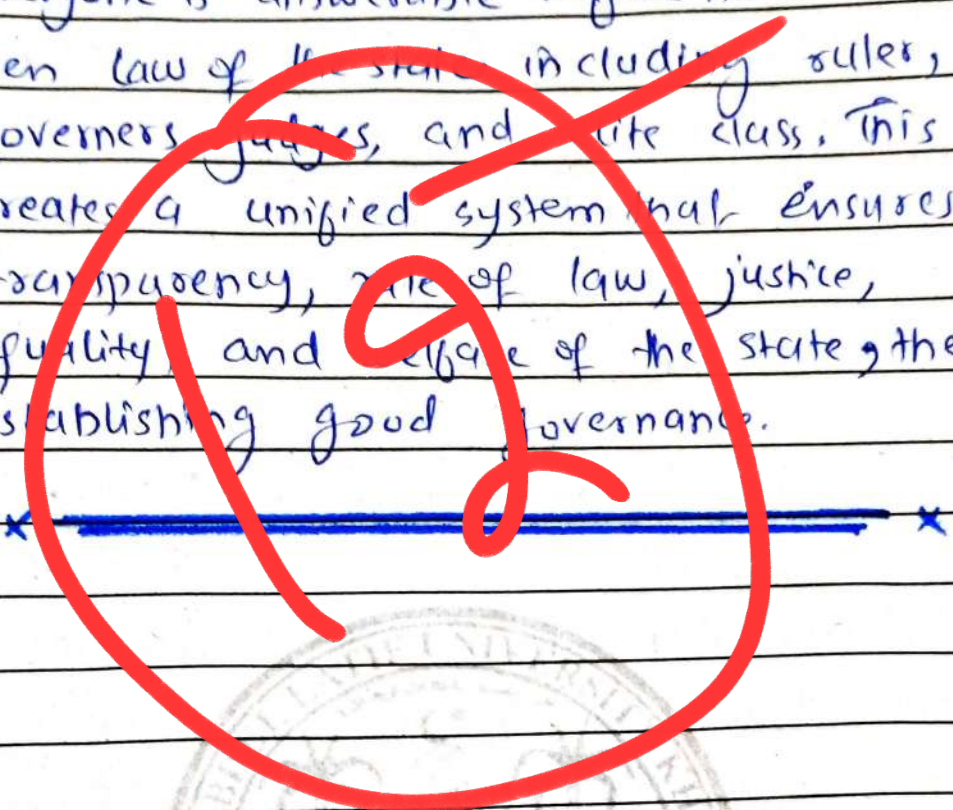
No Arab has superiority over non-Arab, nor a non Arab has any superiority over Arab except through piety --- "

[Pilgrimage Sermon]

(14) Conclusion

To sum up, the above discussion reflects that accountability is an important factor to ensure good governance in islamic state.

Everyone is answerable before Allah and then law of the state including ruler, governors, judges, and elite class. This creates a unified system that ensures transparency, rule of law, justice, equality, and welfare of the state, thereby establishing good governance.



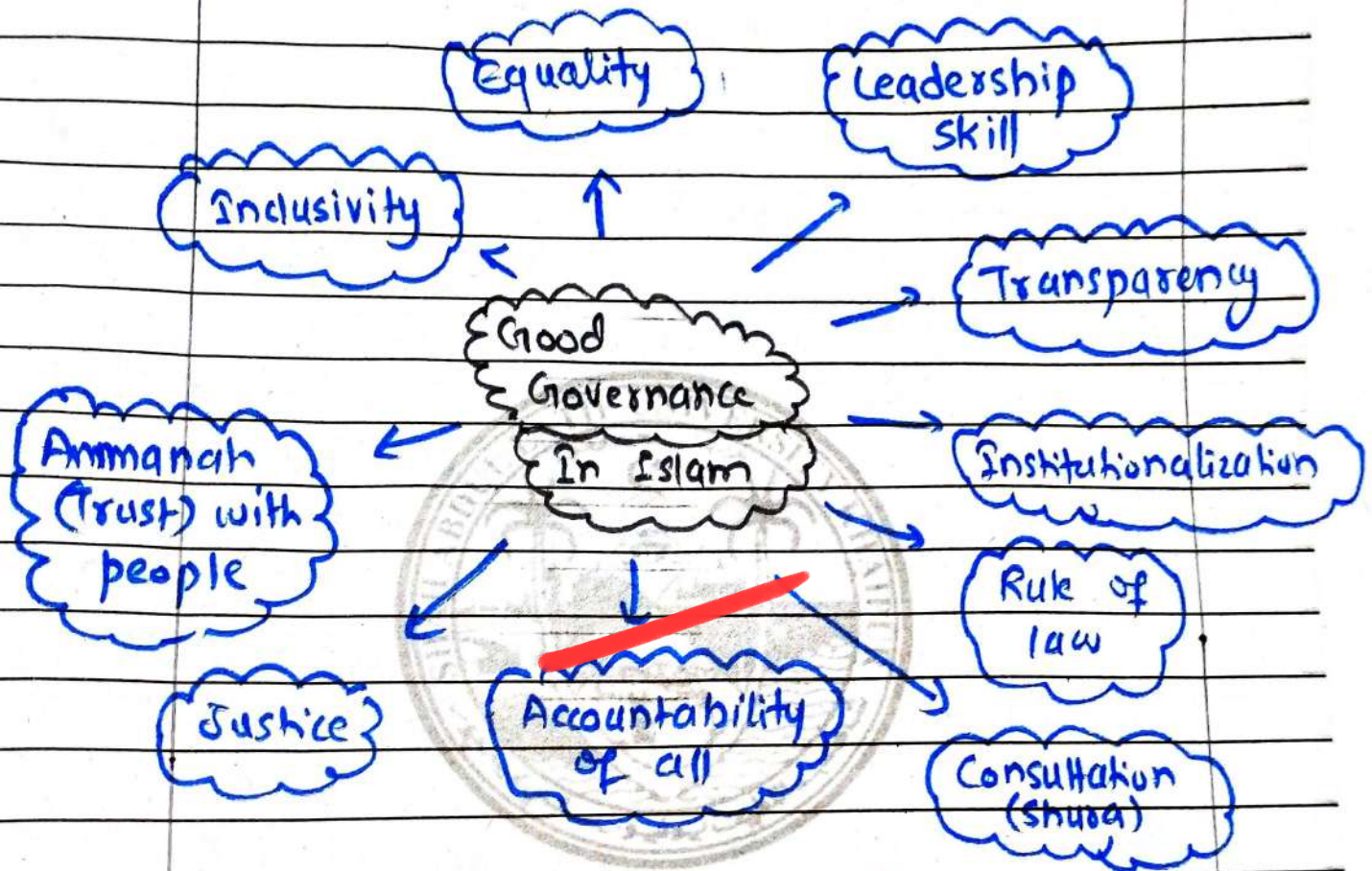
Question No. 2

(1) Introduction: Principles of Good Governance in Islam

Good governance is crucial for welfare of society and progress of a nation. Islam reiterates on good governance as important concept. The principles are mentioned in both Holy Quran and Sunnah. Islamic principles of good governance include: leadership roles, accountability, participation of all, transparency, justice, rule of law and equity. Islam suggested to institutionalize the governance to divide responsibilities and perform duties as an amanah (trust) from God. Additionally, Shura (consultation) is critical factor for good governance in Islam. The former secretary of United Nations (UN) Kofi Annan says that

Good governance is single most important factor for eradicating poverty and promoting development
(Kofi Annan)

(2) Principles of Good Governance in Islam



(a) Man has an Ammanah (Trust) to fulfil

Man is a successor (Khalifah) of Allah to fulfill His bestowed trust. Allah mentioned this principle in Surah Ahzab that

Indeed we offer this trust to mountains, earth and Heaven but they refused, afraid thereof;

But man took this responsibility,
 He was indeed foolish and unjust
 (Surah Azab)

So, man has to fulfill this
 responsibility, leading to good governance

(b) Leadership role in good governance in Islam;

Leader is not the supreme, authoritarian ruler but a servant and service provider. His role is to fulfill trust of Allah. He is bound to conduct affair according to teachings of Quran and Sunnah. He must be wise, virtuous and intellectual to be able for leadership in Islam.

(c) Consultation (shura); a cornerstone for good governance

Consultation with public and companions also conducted by successor of Holy Prophet (PBUH). It is important to consult in all affairs of the state. It reinforces trust of people in the authority. Allah named a "Surah Ash-Shura" in the name of consultation, reflecting its significance. Allah mentioned in Surah Ash Shura that

And conduct their
affairs by consultation
(Surah Ash-Shura)

(d) Inclusivity of all in governance

Allah commands to ensure participation of all human beings including alienated communities, women, non-muslims (zimmi), and the poor. So, Inclusion is an important principle of good governance in Islam.

(e) Rule of law without ^{any} discrimination in public affairs

Rule of law means supremacy of law in which no one remains immune from its hold. In Islam, everyone is answerable for their authorities and acts before law of Allah Almighty. Therefore, rule of law is another characteristic of good governance in Islam.

(f) Accountability and Transparency; crucial for good governance

Equitable oversight and transparency in public affairs are crucial for good governance.

Islam holds man accountable for his

actions both in this world and afterwards, ensuring its implementation effectively.

(g) No prejudice in Islamic governance

Islam has honoured dignity for all without biasness. So, good governance in Islam requires the same. As All

(h) Justice as an important principle in Islamic governance,

Justice is significant to ensure elimination of evil deeds, cruelty and domination. As Allah mentioned in Holy Quran

ان الله يامر بالعدل والاحسان

Allah commands ~~justice~~, the doing of Good

(Surah Al-Nahl)

(i) Welfare of public is crucial for good governance in Islam,

Welfare and social justice are crucial for prosperity. Islam ensures welfare through zakat, sadaqat, ushur, kharaj and Jizya. Through these mechanisms, capital is not concentrated at some part of community. So, it is responsibility of governors to ensure welfare for good

governance in Islam.

(3) Conclusion

To conclude, good governance is significant for alleviation of poverty and welfare of people. Islamic principles of good governance focus on virtuous leadership, responsive public, accountability and transparency. Additionally, Allah has ordained to work for public welfare and conduct affairs with consultation, inclusion and justice. This will ensure equality and hence, prosperity of state as a whole.