

Instructions

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Q4 What guidelines does Quran provides for

1. Give numbering to headings

good governance.

2. Do not write lengthy paragraphs. Write medium sized paragraphs with headings.

Introduction

3. Do not use table for comparison and contrast questions.

4. Draw figures/diagram/flowchart where needed.

Governance as a manah

5. Start new question from fresh page.

Establishment of justice as foundation

6. Give around 15 headings for 20 marks question.

7. Every question should have introduction and conclusion paragraphs.

Shura in decision-making

8. Add Quran/Hadees references wherever possible.

Accountability before Allah & people

9. Narrate incidents from the life of Holy Prophet (SAWW) and Khulafa-e-Rashideen.

10. Add one quotation of famous religious scholar in each question.

Prohibition of corruption & abuse of power

11. Change colour scheme for references to give them more visibility.

Equality and rule of law

12. Manage time

Protection of human dignity & rights

13. Wide page borders are discouraged. Should be reasonable.

Scio-economic justice and distribution of wealth

14. Avoid writing wrong references.

15. Give more weightage to expressly asked part/s of the question.

Upholding rule of law & obedience to legitimate authority

16. Avoid writing wrong Quran/Hadith references. It puts extremely negative impression.

Transparency & honesty in administration



Welfare & service to people



Promotion of peace and avoidance of aggression



Accountability in here after



Conclusion

① Introduction

Quran offers a comprehensive framework for governance grounded in justice, consultation, accountability, welfare & moral responsibility. 'Governance' in Islam is a sacred trust not a privilege - its purpose is to ensure establishment of justice, protection of rights & welfare of people.

② Governance as amanah

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُكُمْ أَنْ تُؤَدُّوا الْأَمَانَاتِ إِلَىٰ أَهْلِهَا

'Indeed, Allah commands you to render trust to whom they are due.' Surah Nisa 4:58

Hadith, Masnad Ahmad 23408,

"When a man governs over 10 people, he will be brought shackled on the day of judgement until justice bring him to deliverance."

③ Establishment of justice as foundation

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ

'Indeed Allah commands justice and excellence'

Surah Nahl 16:90

Hadith Tirmidhi, 1329

"The most beloved of people to Allah on the day of judgement will be the just ruler"

④ Shura - in decision making

وَأَمْرُهُمْ شُورَى بَيْنَهُمْ

"And those who have affairs determined by mutual consultation among them."

Surah Shura 42:38

⑤ Accountability before Allah & people

وَقَفُّوهُمْ إِنَّمَا هُمْ مَسْئُولُونَ

'And stop them, indeed they are to be questioned' Surah saffat 37:24

⑥ Prohibition of corruption & abuse of power

ولا تفسدوا في الأرض بعد إصلاحها

'Do not cause corruption on earth after it has been set right' Surah al-'araaf 7:56

Bribery, nepotism & misuse of authority are condemned.

⑦ Equality & rule of law

إن أكرمكم عند الله اتقاكم

'The most honoured of you in the sight of Allah is the most righteous among you' Al-Hujraat 49:13

Hadith Bukhari, 3475

"By Allah if Fatimah, daughter of Muhammad were to steal, I would cut off her hand."

⑧ Protection of human dignity & rights

ولقد كرّمنا بني آدم

"We have indeed honoured the children of Adam" Surah al-asraa 17:70

⑨ Scio-economic justice & distribution of wealth

كي لا يكون دولة بين الاغنياء منكم

'So that wealth does not circulate only among the rich among you' Surah al-Hashr 59:7

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⑩ Upholding rule of law & obedience to legitimate authority

"O you who believe! Obey Allah, obey messenger and those in authority among you."

Surah Nisa 4:59

⑪ Transparency & honesty in administration

ولا تبخسوا الناس أشياءهم

"Do not deprive people of their due" Shu'raa 26:183

Hadith Bukhari 7178,

"The treacherous ruler will have a flag raised for him on the day of resurrection."

⑫ Welfare & service to people

"They give food out of love for Allah, to the needy, the orphan & the captive."

Surah al-insan 76:8

⑬ Promotion of peace & avoidance of aggression

"If they incline towards peace, then incline to it." al-anfal 8:61

⑭ Accountability in the hereafter

"Whoever does an atom's weight of good will see it & whoever does an atom's weight of ^{evil} will see it." Surah al-zalzalah 99:7-8

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⑮ Conclusion

"A ruler who cheats his subjects will not smell the fragrance of paradise"

Bukhari, 893

The Quran envisions a government that is just, consultative, transparent, welfare-oriented & accountable. A ruler is a trustee, not an owner of authority, his legitimacy depends upon how sincerely he upholds justice, equality and welfare in light of Quran.