

Experts call for end to civil-military duality in political system, governance

ISLAMABAD: Governance weaknesses and problems in Pakistan are direct outcome of prevalent duality in its power structure, run by different de jure as well as de facto entities. This duality bearing on civil and military establishments, in non-compliance with constitutional obligations, has thrown the democratic political system out of equilibrium.

This aspect of the political system, along with several others, was discussed in the Grand National Dialogue on Pakistan's political system and governance, organized jointly by the Institute of Policy Studies (IPS), Islamabad, and the Islamabad Policy Research Institute (IPRI).

The dialogue was chaired by Khalid Rah-

man, chairman IPS and moderated by Dr. Syed Tahir Hijazi, senior academic and former Member (Governance), Planning Commission of Pakistan chairman IPS.

The speakers and discussants included Brig. (r) Raashid Wali Janjua, director research, IPRI, Ahmed Bilal Mehboob, president, Pakistan Institute of Legislative Development and Transparency (PILDAT), Ambassador (r) Syed Abrar Hussain, vice chairman IPS, Syed Abu Ahmad Akif, former federal secretary and senior research fellow IPS, Dr. Rashid Aftab, director, Riphah Institute of Public Policy, Riphah International University, Zaeheeruddin Dar, founder, Centre for international Entrepreneurship and Trade and political economist,

Nazeer Ahmad Mahar, executive director, The Research Initiative, Dr. Riaz Inayat, Member NADRA, Dr Muhammad Saleem, senior economic and former Member, Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP), Mirza Hamid Hasan, former federal secretary and senior fellow at IPS, and Naufil Shahrukh, IPS' GM Operations.

The trichotomic power branches have failed to fulfil their constitutional obligations as a result of the pseudo-parliamentary system of Pakistan, which has some presidential features. This, along with the lack of political will and duality of the political system, doesn't benefit the constitutional values, argued Ahmad Bilal.

This has resulted in a weakened govern-

ance system, as indicated by the low position of Pakistan in governance indicators, including the Corruption Perception Index (CPI), where Pakistan ranks at 140/180, and the World Justice Project's Rule of Law Index 2021, where Pakistan ranks 130/139.

The solution demands a constitutional framework with objective criteria to measure the performance while the military's role in the political processes should be adjusted according to constitutional and democratic values. In addition to these fissures, as indicated by Abu Ahmad Akif, there are inherent flaws in political practices and the organizational structure of the system, leaving little or no space for governance. The anomalies of the system, ranging from the

buildup of elitist capture to the electoral flaws and the bureaucratic role, have removed any margin for reforms and governance strategy, he pointed out.

Reckoning on this, Dr. Rashid Aftab rested his view that within the three-tiered governance structure — federal, provincial, and local government — a prominent trend has been the absence of devolution of power according to change in time, due to reluctance of the provinces.

While it goes against the 18th Amendment, which has validated Article 140-A, obliging the provincial government to devolve power, a participatory governance system, focusing on empowering local government institutions, must be achieved.

Strike in West Bank after Israeli forces kill Palestinian



RAMALLAH: Shops, offices and schools were closed across the occupied West Bank on Thursday as Palestinians went on strike to protest Israel's killing of a man suspected of a deadly attack against Israeli forces.

Udai Tamimi, who had been on the run since the fatal shooting this month of military policewoman

Noa Lazar at a checkpoint in Israeli-annexed east Jerusalem, was killed late Wednesday after he fired at Israelis on the edge of a settlement. With the West Bank largely shut down, the Palestinian health ministry also confirmed that Mohammad Fadi Nuri, 16, died from a gunshot wound sustained during clashes with Israeli forces near Ramallah last month.

Omar Abed al-Latif Omar, a resident of the

West Bank city of Tulkerem, said the strike was intended as "a message" of solidarity with Tamimi. AFP journalists also saw shuttered shops in the West Bank cities of Bethlehem and Nablus, as well as Jerusalem's Old City.

Violence in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict has surged in recent months. More than 100 Palestinian fighters and civilians have been killed since the start of the year, the heavy-

year-old Lazar at the entrance to Jerusalem's Shuafat refugee camp.

The 10-day pursuit of Tamimi had resulted in closures affecting schools, health centres and other services in the camp that is home to thousands, and clashes between Israeli forces and Palestinians.

Palestinian boy buried; US seeks probe int: A seven-year-old Palestinian boy who died on the sidelines of an Israeli army search in the occupied West Bank was buried on Friday, with Washington calling for a "thorough" investigation into his death.

Rayan Yasser Suleiman's body was wrapped in a keffiyeh chequered Palestinian headscarf, as hundreds of people took part in a funeral procession through his hometown of Tuqu near Bethlehem.

According to an account from the boy's cousin, Mohammed Suleiman, Rayan had "run and fallen" on Thursday after returning from school to find soldiers inside and outside his home. He was taken to nearby Beit Jala hospital where he was declared dead, the cousin said. The incident came a day after four Palestinians were killed in an Israeli army raid in the northern West Bank city of Jenin. The Palestinian foreign ministry said Suleiman died after falling from a building "while being chased by Israeli occupation forces". —AFP

Far-right Meloni set to become Italy's first woman PM

ROME: Far-right leader Giorgia Meloni was set to be named Italian prime minister on Friday after her party's historic election win, becoming the first woman to head a government in Italy.

Her post-fascist Brothers of Italy party — Eurosceptic and anti-immigration — won September 25 legislative polls but needs outside support to form a government. Following two days of cross-party talks the 45-year-old from Rome is now all but certain to be asked to form a government and become the country's first woman prime minister.

Her Brothers of Italy party won 26% of the vote last month, compared to 8% and 9% respectively for her allies Forza Italia and

On Friday, Meloni joined representatives of her coalition to meet Mattarella, with speculation she could be asked to form a government as early as this afternoon.

"We are waiting for the decision of the president of the republic and we are already ready, we want to proceed as soon as possible," she said after the meeting, calling it "an important moment for the nation". She could be sworn in with her ministers over the weekend, with a vote of confidence in parliament next week.

The consultations to cobble a government have been overshadowed by disagreements over Meloni's ardent support for Ukraine since the Russian invasion



with her two would-be coalition partners who are both considered close to Moscow. A recording was leaked during the week in which Italy's former prime minister Silvio Berlusconi — who heads Forza Italia — talks about his warm ties with Moscow and appeared to blame the war in Ukraine. —Reuters

COURT NOTICE

In the court of Rana Muhammad Ashraf, Learned Additional District and Sessions Judge, Sheikhupura Year 2022

Suit for recovery of Rs 4982829/ along with markup and cost of suit, etc In re: SNGPL Versus Muhammad Ishaque

Newspaper versus Muhammad Ishaque, s/o Muhammad Ashraf, r/o Street No 4, Jamil Town, Tehsil and District Sheikhupura.

Mohallah Muhammad Abad, District Gujranwala.

Whereas in the above-mentioned case, it has been proved to the satisfaction of the court that the above-mentioned respondents cannot be served ordinary way, it is therefore, that if the respondents will/shall not appear personally or through a duly authorized agent or pleader in court at 8:00 AM on 22-10-2022, the proceeding would be taken X party, no argument of any nature shall be entertained thereafter given under hand and seal of this court.

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In The Court of Sobia Shahnawaz Family Judge Sialkot

Application for Guardian, Sadia VS Public at large etc Notice To Muhammad Shakoor S/O Muhammad Sadaq R/O Chak Koba P.O Zahora Tehsil & District Sialkot Presently Living Abroad Whereas Service Of Respondents is not going to be effected through Ordinary Means So Services Of Defendant/s/ Respondents are Being Affected Through proclamation in the newspaper you defendant's respondents are directed to appear in the court on 22/10/22 at 8 am filing which ex-party proceeding shall be initiated against you.

CORRECTION OF FATHER'S NAME

I HAFSA AHSAN have passed the Secondary School Annual/Supply Examination 2022 under Roll No 155206 from B.I.S.E Lahore My Father's Name is AHSAN RASHEED where on certificate my Father's name has been mentioned as AHMED RASHEED which is incorrect. I want to get changed my father's name from AHMED RASHEED to AHSAN RASHEED. If any person/organization/agency has any objection, then the same may be intimated in writing to the Secretary, Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education, 86-Mozang Road, Lahore within 15 days.

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I FAHAD ZAHID have passed the Secondary School Annual/Supply Examination 2015 under Roll No 200856 and Intermediate Annual/Supply Examination 2017 under Roll No 578625 from B.I.S.E Lahore My Father's Name is MUHAMMAD ZAHID where on certificate my Father's name has been mentioned as M ZAHID which is incorrect. I want to get changed my father's name from M ZAHID to MUHAMMAD ZAHID. If any person/organization/agency has any objection, then the same may be intimated in writing to the Secretary, Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education, 86-Mozang Road, Lahore within 15 days.

EU slaps sanctions on Iran over drones' supply

PRAGUE: The European Union imposed sanctions on Thursday against three Iranian generals and an arms firm accused of supplying Iranian drones to Russia that have been used to bomb Ukraine.

The names of Iranian drone maker Shahed Aviation Industries and three top Iranian military officials were published in the EU official journal, adding them to the sanctions blacklist.

The chief of staff of Iran's armed forces, Major General Mohammed Hossein Bagheri, logistics officer General Sayed Hojatollah Qureishi and Revolutionary Guards drone commander Brigadier General Saeed Aghajani were sanctioned. —AFP

EIA REPORT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

This Notice is published for the information of all Stakeholders, general public and concerned Government Agencies that EPA, Punjab has admitted the application of the following project to accord Environmental Approval required under Section 32 of Punjab Environmental Protection Act, 1997. (Amended 2012)

Type / Name of Project	Location of project	District
Food Manufacturing Facility Of M/s Shangrila Foods (Private) Limited	Plot No. 325-326, Sundar Industrial Estate, Raiwind Road, Lahore	Lahore

2. All Stakeholders, general public and concerned Government Agencies are invited to submit any comments on the project or its EIA. The comments on the project or its EIA may be submitted to Deputy Director EIA, EPA, Punjab, National Hockey Stadium (Qaddafi Stadium), Ferozepur Road, Lahore within a period of 30 days from the date of publication of the Notice. Copy of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report submitted by the Proponent of the project is available at the following locations for review of Stakeholders/ general public.

- EPA Library, National Hockey Stadium / Qaddafi Stadium, Lahore
- O/o Deputy Director (Environment), Lahore
- Official Website of EPO Punjab (epd.punjab.gov.pk)
- O/o M/s Shangrila Foods (Private) Limited

3. The Public Hearing will be conducted as per following Schedule:

Date	Day	Time	Place for Public Participation
25-11-2022	Friday	11:00 am	HOTE ONE 18-A Tariq Block, Garden Town, Lahore

4. All Stakeholders and the general public are invited to attend the hearing proceedings to share their comments/ proposal/ concerns/suggestions on the project or its EIA.

Director General	Rana Waqar Ahmed
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INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE PUNJAB (IDAP)

REQUEST FOR PRE-QUALIFICATION OF CONSTRUCTOR 2022/PQ/53

ESTABLISHMENT OF JINNAH PUBLIC SCHOOL, PARVEZ ELAHI CAMPUS GUJRAT

- The Infrastructure Development Authority Punjab (IDAP) has been established as an Autonomous Body under the Infrastructure Development Authority of Punjab Act, 2016 by the Government of Punjab for planning, designing, construction and maintenance of infrastructure in Punjab in line with best international practices to cope with future development needs.
- Infrastructure Development Authority of Punjab, IDAP (Implyat) intends to pre-qualify General contractor for "ESTABLISHMENT OF JINNAH PUBLIC SCHOOL, PARVEZ ELAHI CAMPUS GUJRAT" with an estimated cost of PKR 3020 million Approx.
- The scope of work to be performed consists of a School and Hostel Building (having an approximate covered area of 140,761 Sq) and Allied Works.
- Pre-qualification is open to all Constructors/Joint venture of Constructors who are registered in category "C-8 OR above" with the Pakistan Engineering Council, detailed requirements are provided in the pre-qualification document.
- Interested applicants may inspect the PQ notice/PQ document on the Punjab Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Website <http://www.pprapunjab.gov.pk> and the Infrastructure Development Authority Punjab (IDAP) website <http://idap.pk>
- This Procurement shall be conducted through the E-Procurement Portal of IDAP only. For purpose of issuance of PQ, the applicant shall submit a request for registration on the e-procurement portal of IDAP during working hours on Email id: procurement@idap.gov.pk with the below-mentioned credentials:
 - Name of Company/Firm, Email address and Mobile no. of Food Person
 - Authority Letter from Director/CBO
- The applicant shall accomplish a pre-qualification Document by using the link provided of the Applicant's Email address.
- In case, the last date for submission of the Pre-qualification application is declared a public holiday then the next working day will be considered for Pre-qualification Application submission & opening.
- The PQ Proposal prepared following the instructions in the Pre-qualification document and e-Procurement Portal, must be submitted on e-Procurement Portal on or before 10th November 2022 no later than 03:30 PM. The Pre-qualification Proposal will be opened on the same day on e-Procurement Portal at 04:00 PM.

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