PK/605: Local Self-Government in Pakistan

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Course Assessment:

Mid-Term25 MarksAssignments25 MarksFinal:50 MarksTotal100 Marks

• Learning Outcome:

The object of this course is to apprise the students about the system of local self-government prevalent in Pakistan. The course will cover different systems of local government in Pakistan, i.e., the system of Basic Democracies, Rural Development Programme, the Local Government System under 1979 Ordinance and Devolution Plan, 2000.

• Objectives:

After studying this course, the students will be able to:

- > understand the basic concepts of local government
- > comprehend historical perspective of the development of local self-government in Pakistan
- -make a comparative analysis with the systems prevailing in UK and USA

• Syllabus:

- Meaning, scope, nature and approaches to the study of local government, need of local government, etc,.
- Colonial heritage and evolution of local government Punchayat system.
- Functional structure of local government in Pakistan; social work and voluntary service at local level powers and functions.
- Planning, development and budgeting in local self government.
- Source of Income.
- Problems and issues of grass root democracy in Pakistan.
- Local Self Government, relation with provisional and central government.
- Local Self Government during East India Company and British Raj.
- After Partition / Independence, Local Self government, in 1947-1958.
- "Basic Democracies"; by Ayub Khan in 1959.
- "People's local government"; by Z.A. Bhutto in 1972.
- Local Self Ordinance by Zia-ul-Haq in 1979.
- Local Self government during Benazirs period and Nawaz Sharif's period.
- "Devolution plan", by Musharraf in 2000.

• Basic Readings:

Abdul Quddus. Local Self-Government in Pakistan.

Additional Readings

Beg, Aziz. Grass Roots Government.

Cole, G.D.H. Local and Regional Governments.

Cross, C.A. Principles of Local Government Law.

Douglas, E. and Ashford. National Development and Local Reform.

Golding, L. Local Government.

Inayat Ullah. District Administration: Its Problems and Challenges.

Jennings, Sir Iver. Principles of Local Government Law.

Khan, M.A. Hussain. Principles of Municipal Administration.

Mahmood, Afzal. Basic Democracies.

National Reconstruction Bureau. Devolution Plan 2000.

Rizvi, Shahid. Local Self-Government in Pakistan.

Robson, William A. The Development of Local Government.

Shelley, A.N.C. *The Councillor*.

Stones, P. Local Government for Studies.

Tinker, Hugh. The Foundations of Local Self-Government in India, Pakistan and Burma.

Warren, J.H. The English Local Government Systems.