



THREE-DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE

ISLAMIZATION OF LAWS IN PAKISTAN

AN OVERVIEW OF THE ROLE
OF CONSTITUTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

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INTRODUCTION

Pakistan is an ideological state created in the name of Islam. In 1946, Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah unequivocally expressed the objectives of Pakistan in these words: "We do not demand Pakistan simply to have a piece of land but we want a laboratory where we could experiment on Islamic principles." The endeavors, therefore, have been made right from its inception to Islamize the laws inherited from the colonial period. The Objectives Resolution, the 22 Points of Ulama, Islamic Provisions in successive constitutions are some of the steps taken in this regard. However, this process got its momentum in the late 1970s when the government started Islamization of the laws at greater level, and new initiatives were taken to speed up this process with the creation of the Federal Shariat Court.

Due to swift progress, never seen before in human history, it seems appropriate time to critically evaluate the various mechanisms of Islamization process, analyze what has been Islamized through adjudication, statutory enactments or otherwise; inquire into the Islamicity of Islamized laws; gauge the various impediments in the process of Islamization; thoroughly scrutinize the steps necessary that will pave the way for the process of the Islamization. These questions would be thoroughly discussed if the players involved in this process, that is, the Bar, the Bench, the academia and the 'Ulama are brought together in a conference and are tasked to consider the mechanisms of Islamization, whatever has been achieved in order to be able to evaluate it and to give recommendations for what should be done in future.

OBJECTIVES

1. To evaluate the ways and mechanisms provided for the Islamization of laws in Pakistan.
2. To identify the laws Islamized so far and critically evaluate them.
3. To scrutinize the impediments to the process of Islamization of laws.
4. To identify the future prospects for Islamization of laws.

THEMES

1. The idea of Islamization of Laws.
2. Role of the Constitutional Institutions: focusing on Parliament, Provincial Assemblies, Shariat Appellate Bench, Federal Shariat Court, and the Council of Islamic Ideology.
3. Various impediments to the process of Islamization of laws.
4. Islamization of Laws: Future Prospects.

Participants

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| a. Judges | b. Senior Lawyers |
| c. Law experts | d. Academia |
| e. Sharī 'ah Scholars | f. Senior Media Personnel |
| g. University Teachers | h. Senior 'Ulamā' |
| i. Students | |

Important Dates

Abstract Submission:

23rd November 2018

Full Paper Submission:

07th January 2019

Abstract Acceptance:

07th December 2018

Intimation of Accepted Papers:

24th January 2019

Conference Date

26-28 February 2019

Guidelines for Submission of Research Papers

1. An abstract of not more than 300-400 words typed on A4 size paper in double space on MS-Word should be sent (Please send both word and pdf files) along with detailed CV to be evaluated and the sender will be informed accordingly whether it is accepted or not;
2. Only papers in the above -mentioned areas/ themes of the conference can be considered.
3. The researcher should abide by all the rules of research such as methodology and documenting references and sources.
4. The researcher should pay due care to the language and method of the research.
5. The paper should contain original research and it should not be the one already published elsewhere or presented in a conference or a seminar.
6. Research paper should comprise of 25-30 pages, including bibliography computer typed on A4 size page in MS Word file.
7. The references should be numbered consecutively.
8. Chicago Manual of Style 2016 should be followed for references.
9. The references, notes, and comments should be recorded as footnotes not as endnotes.
10. The annexure(s), bibliography, and indexes should be given at the end of research paper.
11. The first page should specify full title of the research paper, name, and designation of the researcher as well as work/academic affiliation, correspondence email and contact number.
12. Languages of the Conference will be English & Urdu.
13. The abstract will not be considered, if the above-mentioned requirements are not fulfilled.

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