

SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION OF PAKISTAN UNDER ASSASSINATION OF THE FIRST PRIME MINISTER OF PAKISTAN: LIAQUAT ALI KHAN

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Abstract

The First Prime Minister of Pakistan Liaquat Ali Khan was the most influential person in initial days of Pakistan after the death of the founder of Pakistan Muhammad Ali Jinnah on 11th September 1948. Liaquat Ali Khan was assassinated on 16th October 1951 at Rawalpindi while addressing a public rally. The assassination of Liaquat Ali Khan led Pakistan's democratic journey into non-democratic Governments which become the biggest hurdle in building Pakistan and empowerment of the people of Pakistan. This paper finds out reasons of his assassination, consequences of his assassination and lays down suggestions to be followed to achieve mission and vision of Muhammad Ali Jinnah and Liaquat Ali Khan prescribed in Objectives Resolution passed by the first constituent assembly of Pakistan on 12th March 1949 under the leadership of the First Prime Minister of Pakistan Liaquat Ali Khan.

Purpose – This research is an analysis of the life of the first Prime Minister of Pakistan Liaquat Ali Khan, his services for Pakistan and his sudden death due to assassination on 16th October 1951 under the light of social, political, and legal perspective to find out consequences and effects of his assassination on politics of Pakistan and recommend solutions to come out of the consequences Pakistan is still facing and never come out of it after his assassination by following footsteps of founding fathers of Pakistan as enunciated in Objectives Resolution passed by the first constituent assembly of Pakistan on 12th March 1949.

Design/methodology/approach – This study is routed in qualitative method of research to analyze, examine, review, and inquire into the life and assassination of the first Prime Minister of Pakistan Liaquat Ali Khan under the light of social, political, historical, and legal perspective as well as his efforts to formulate and lay down principles for future Constitution of Pakistan enunciated under his leadership in Objectives Resolution passed by the first constituent assembly of Pakistan on 12th March 1949.

Finding – This study would help people of the world generally and people of Pakistan specially to understand the life and assassination of the first Prime Minister of Pakistan Liaquat Ali Khan, his services for the motherland with founding fathers of Pakistan, effects and consequences of his assassination Pakistan have been facing since 16th October 1951. A proper inquiry to inquire into the assassination of Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan should be conducted and strong steps should be taken for strengthening democratic institutions and norms in the society. Objectives Resolution should be executed as will of the first Prime Minister of Pakistan and should be followed thoroughly to strengthen Islamic, Cultural, Political, Ethical, Social norms in the society to make Pakistan a better place as the first Prime Minister of Pakistan Liaquat Ali Khan wanted Pakistan to be a truly Democratic Social Welfare Islamic State to be a role model for the world.

Research limitations/implications – This study is an analysis of the life and assassination of the first Prime Minister of Pakistan Liaquat Ali Khan and its social, political and legal consequences on Pakistan under Historical Perspective. This research will not go into detailed analysis of his entire life, services as political leader in British India and other connected matters as this research sticks into his life and assassination and its consequences on politics in Pakistan.

Practical implications – This study aims to point out implications due to assassination of the first Prime Minister of Pakistan Liaquat Ali Khan on Pakistan and politics of Pakistan as well as this study intends to give suggestions to be followed to achieve goals which Liaquat Ali Khan and founding fathers of Pakistan set for Pakistan to make Pakistan Democratic Social Welfare Islamic State.

Originality/Value – This study is original and personal work of the author on the chosen topic and there are only a few articles written on related topic but not particular on the chosen topic and this research is carried out keeping in mind principles of piracy and methods of doing illegal research.

Keywords: Liaquat Ali Khan, Pakistan, Objectives Resolution, Islamic Law.

Research type: This study is general review of life and assassination of the first Prime Minister of Pakistan Liaquat Ali Khan and consequences Pakistan have been facing due to assassination of Liaquat Ali Khan on 16th October 1951.