

ABSTRACT

Existence, dependence, development and shaping of society is dependent upon leaders. Whether leadership emerges out of patriarch, matriarch power, status, trait and charisma, or it is bestowed by nature or achieved through education and experience play a pre-dominant role.

NWFP leadership is based on chiefs or the tribes, heads of Baradarics, bureaucrats, businessmen and politicians. The thesis focuses on elected leadership of NWFP legislature, which was constituted in 2002. The surveys, questionnaire, interviews, observations and analysis bring forth that the elected leadership is seemingly conservative, religious and extremist. Practically, they are liberal, pursue, economic interest, command, power and acquire pride in their elected position.

Two developments have introduced new dimensions in the composition and working of legislature of the province.

1. Electoral process has been applied in FATA where members used to return in the legislature on the basis of nomination.
2. Women seats have been allocated

The Democratic process and induction of women has changed the working of the legislature and provided a comparative edge than the previous legislatures.

The condition of 'Graduation' to be the member of the legislature has kept the older and experienced politicians out. The more younger element has come in the provincial Assembly. Though one can expect a lot from the younger people yet up till now things move the same way, as it used to be. It is perhaps due to the fact that they are all groomed in tribal setup and system of Bradaries. Now visible change has been projected from the behavioral pattern of the leadership of the legislature.

Efforts have been made to capture reality of leadership instrumentalizing variables which are broadly categorized as following.

- I. Social variables, reflecting social background, socialization, political socialization and religiosity
2. Educational variables to deduce their understanding of the issues and the environment they work in.
3. Political variables portray their political awareness of issues, process of decision making and formulation of policies.
4. Economic variables, which help in determining their attitude towards society as a whole and parochial issues in particular.

The thesis is the seminal work on leadership of the provincial Assembly.