

Abstract

Although it is the executive which is held responsible for the failure of governance in Pakistan, it is very much important to analyse the role of Judiciary in the governance structure of Pakistan. The judiciary has over the years especially since 2007 given landmark judgements and this thesis will analyse the impact of these judgements on the overall governance of Pakistan. The thesis will assess that how judiciary has played an instrumental role and influenced the political development as well as progress of the country. After the movement for the independence of judiciary which triggered in 2007, the judiciary has acted as bulwark against the military authoritarianism. However the thesis will also holistically examine that whether excessive judicial activism of the superior judiciary has brought improvement in the governance structure or contrastingly created a miasma of uncertainty and chaos. The study will also examine the judicial history and its nexus with military establishment which hampers the overall progress of country. Since 2007 Pakistan's judiciary has upheld the democratic norms as one of the salient features of our constitution, the study will assess that how the landmark judgements of superior judiciary have influenced the executive and its policy making measures which have profound deep impact on governance.