# Manifesto of the Hezb-e Shāyestegi va Tose'e The Party of Competency and Development

#### **Our Vision**

To build a prosperous, sovereign, and respected Iran where every citizen has the dignity of opportunity and the security of justice. We envision a nation defined by the competence of its people, the transparency of its government, peaceful engagement with the world, and harmony with its environment. We are unequivocally committed to the territorial integrity and national sovereignty of Iran.

### Our Four Pillars for a New Iran

## Pillar 1: Good Governance: Competency, Transparency, and Accountability

We will strive for a government that serves the people, not the powerful. We will work to dismantle the systems of corruption and cronyism that have held our nation back.

- Secular and Merit-Based Governance: We advocate for the separation of religious institutions from the state to ensure that the government serves all citizens equally, regardless of personal belief. We insist that public office be based on proven qualifications and experience, not on religious or personal affiliations.
- Zero-Tolerance Anti-Corruption Agency: We will push for the creation of a powerful and independent agency with full authority to investigate and prosecute corruption at all levels. We believe all government contracts, expenditures, and officials' declared assets must be published in a publicly accessible online database.
- **Judicial Independence:** We insist on the absolute independence of the judiciary to ensure the rule of law applies equally to every citizen and official.
- **Empowering Talent:** We will work to create pathways for Iran's brightest minds to excel in public service and industry, ensuring that integrity and skill are the sole criteria for advancement.

## Pillar 2: Foreign Policy: A Welcoming Hand to the World

Isolation belongs in the past. Iran's strength lies in its ability to be a constructive and engaged partner on the world stage.

• "Friend to All, Partner for Peace": Our foreign policy will be guided by the principle of de-escalation, peaceful coexistence, and mutually beneficial relationships. Our goal is to resolve disputes through diplomacy and re-establish our position as a respected member of the international community.

- Open for Tourism and Investment: Recognizing our immense potential, we advocate for a national initiative to become a world-class tourism destination. This includes simplifying visa processes, protecting historical sites, and creating a secure and welcoming environment for visitors and international investors.
- Coalition of Neighbors: We will actively work to build a "Ring of Prosperity" with our neighbors, including Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Turkey, and others, focusing on joint economic, infrastructure, and environmental projects that foster regional stability and shared growth.

# Pillar 3: Democratic Safeguards: A Fair and Unbiased System for All

Power must be a trust, not a right. We will strive for a system that prevents the rise of dictatorship and protects the rights of every single Iranian.

- A Constitution for a Modern Republic: We will champion a new constitution that enshrines a clear separation of powers, guarantees fundamental human rights, and is built on a foundation of checks and balances.
- Parliamentary Democracy with Term Limits: We advocate for a parliamentary system of government where the executive branch is directly accountable to a diverse and freely elected legislature. We will push for the implementation of strict term limits for all elected officials, including the Prime Minister.
- Unity in Diversity: We support laws that explicitly protect the rights of all ethnic groups. We recognize the Persian language as the official and common language for national unity, while simultaneously striving to preserve, promote, and teach regional languages and cultures (such as Azeri, Kurdish, Baluchi, Arabic, etc.) as part of Iran's rich heritage. Representation in government must be based on citizenship and competence, not ethnicity.
- **Devolution of Power:** We believe that true national unity is built on trust and partnership, not on centralized control. We support the transfer of significant authority and resources to local and provincial governments. This empowers communities to address their own unique needs, makes governance more effective, and strengthens the national bond by giving every region a powerful stake in our shared success. This approach ensures that local self-governance reinforces, rather than threatens, our united Iranian identity.

# Pillar 4: Environmental Sustainability: Securing Our Land and Water

Our natural resources are the foundation of our national prosperity and well-being. We will act decisively to reverse the environmental crises that threaten our nation's very survival.

• National Water Security Plan: We call for the declaration of the water crisis as a national emergency. Our top priority will be to champion investment in a massive

- expansion of desalination capacity, modernize water distribution infrastructure to eliminate waste, and promote nationwide water conservation.
- A Green Economic Shift: We will work to end subsidies for water-intensive industries like tile manufacturing and agriculture such as rice and watermelon cultivation. We support providing financial incentives and retraining for workers and farmers to transition to sustainable, high-value sectors like technology, eco-tourism, saffron, and greenhouse farming.
- **Protecting Our Natural Heritage:** Our goal is to create and expand national parks and protected areas to conserve Iran's unique biodiversity and natural beauty for future generations.
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