

HTML Newspaper Recreation – Code Explanation

1. Overall Structure

This project recreates a pre-1990 Urdu newspaper front page using **pure HTML5 only**, without external CSS or JavaScript, as required in the assignment

The document follows proper HTML5 structure beginning with `<!DOCTYPE html>`, and includes `<html>`, `<head>`, and `<body>` elements.

Semantic tags such as `<header>`, `<section>`, and `<footer>` are used to organize the layout logically. A `<table>` is used to construct the multi-column newspaper layout. Inline styling is applied through the `style` attribute since external CSS files are not allowed.

2. Major Sections

Header / Masthead

The `<header>` section contains the newspaper branding. A table divides the top banner into two parts:

- Left: green background with mosque image and introductory text.
- Right: red banner displaying the newspaper name, publication details, and contact information.

Below this, a Quranic verse section is displayed in Arabic (RTL formatting) with an English translation underneath.

Main Headline

The primary headline is placed inside a black container using an `<h2>` tag to highlight the constitutional amendment announcement. This section visually resembles a bold front-page headline.

Main Content Columns

A table is used to create the multi-column layout.

- Left column includes articles about parliamentary debates and support.
- Middle column displays the portrait of Zulfikar Ali Bhutto with a short biography.
- Right column contains a detailed article and the “MUSHRIQ Special Edition” branding box.

Lower Content Section

Another table divides content into four columns discussing:

- Government coordination
- Leadership role
- Religious advisory role
- Constitutional legitimacy

Historical Image Section

A large conference photograph is included with a caption and an ordered list. All images include proper alt attributes for accessibility.

Footer

The <footer> contains publication details, copyright information, and student attribution.

Challenges Faced

Recreating a complex newspaper layout using only HTML without external CSS was challenging. Managing multi-column alignment and positioning required careful use of tables and inline styling. Ensuring proper semantic structure and validation while maintaining visual similarity was also a key focus.