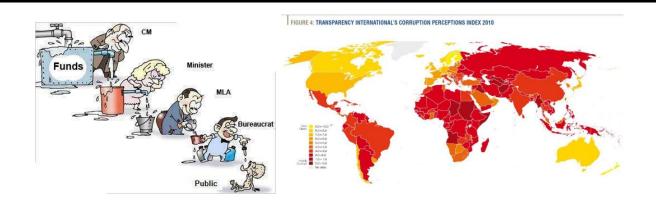
# #EndPoliticalCorruption



## **Understanding Political Corruption**

Corruption is a human weakness. People fall to their temptations to pursue money, possessions and power. Every country is guilty of misuse of government power. Political corruption is an abuse of public power for private gains: the benefit of one's party, class, friends, family and so on. Political corruption causes a broken system that damages the country politically, economically and socially.

# **Favoritism**

The deeds like bribery, a gross overcharge else known as extortion, and cronyism, which means to appoint a close friend rather than a person who qualifies. Nepotism, which means to appoint a relative, and making political favors to businesses otherwise known as patronage, are a variety of ways countries nurture political dishonesty.

#### Recent Event Example:

Due to favoritism environment, Russia suffers from inconsistent application of laws and a lack of transparency and accountability in the public administration. Russia's regulatory inefficiency essentially increases the cost of doing business and has a negative effect on market competition. The common practice in China of Guanxi is a custom for building connections and relationships based on gifts, banqueting, or small favors. Guanxi-related gifts can be considered bribery by foreign companies and by national and international anti-corruption laws. This practice heavily

influences who receives the power rather than who is worth it. The news and media are overseen and controlled by the Chinese Communist Party and journalists are detained and imprisoned for the peaceful expression of criticism.

#### **Illegal transactions**

A criminal enterprise such as drug trafficking, money laundering, and human trafficking, though is not restricted to these activities.

#### **Faul Anti-competitive practices**

Institutional corruption is distinguished from bribery and other kinds of obvious personal gain. Campaign contributions corrupt the institution without individual members being corrupt themselves. A similar problem of corruption arises in any institution that depends on financial support from people who have interests that may conflict with the primary purpose of the institution.

### **Solutions to Fight Political Corruption**

Journalism, women in politics, and internet freedom are steps toward implementing steps to prevent and deter the phenomenon. Journalism is one way to patrol political suspicious activity within the government. Corrupted actions that politicians carry out do not surface on the media because the government builds a systematic illusion to make a visible change to an outsider or a citizen seems unreachable. Government utilizes strategic pictures like controlling press, internet, and scaring journalists. Therefore, to make a difference we as citizens have to speak up in order for new laws to be passed that restrict the government from creating propaganda.

Studies show women are a solution to political corruption due to women policymakers choosing different policies from men. Research shows, unlike men, women politicians tend to choose policies that are more closely related to the welfare of women, children, and family. Net Neutrality and Internet freedom are a set forward for people to be informed and educated about current problems.