**CHAPTER 2. – PRINCIPLES OF POLICY**

**29. Principles of Policy**

(1) The Principles set out in this Chapter shall be known as the

*Principles of Policy*, and it is the responsibility of each organ and authority

of the State, and of each person performing functions on behalf of an

organ or authority of the State, to act in accordance with those Principles

in so far as they relate to the functions of the organ or authority.

(2) In so far as the observance of any particular Principle of

Policy may be dependent upon resources being available for the purpose,

the Principle shall be regarded as being subject to the availability of

resources.

(3) In respect of each year, the President in relation to the

affairs of the Federation, and the Governor of each Province in relation to

the affairs of his Province, shall cause to be prepared and laid before

[***each House of Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament)]*** or, as the case may be, the

Provincial Assembly, a report on the observance and implementation of

the Principles of Policy, and provision shall be made in the rules of

procedure of the **National Assembly** [***and the Senate***] or, as the case may

be, the Provincial Assembly, for discussion on such report.

**30. Responsibility with respect to Principles of Policy**

1. The responsibility of deciding whether any action of an

organ or authority of the State, or of a person performing functions on

behalf of an organ or authority of the State, is in accordance with the

*Principles of Policy* is that of the organ or authority of the State, or of the

person, concerned.

(2) The validity of an action or of a law shall not be called in

question on the ground that it is not in accordance with the Principles of

Policy, and no action shall lie against the State, any organ or authority of

the State or any person on such ground.

**31. Islamic way of life**

1. Steps shall be taken to enable the Muslims of **Pakistan**,

individually and collectively, to order their lives in accordance with the

fundamental principles and basic concepts of Islam and to provide

facilities whereby they may be enabled to understand the meaning of life

according to the ***Holy Quran*** and ***Sunnah***.

(2) The State shall endeavour, as respects the Muslims of

**Pakistan**,—

1. to make the teaching of the ***Holy Quran*** and *Islamiat*

*compulsory*, to encourage and facilitate the learning of

*Arabic language* and to secure correct and exact

printing and publishing of the ***Holy Quran***;

1. to promote unity and the observance of the Islamic

moral standards; and

1. to secure the proper organisation of zakat [*ushr*,] auqaf

and mosques.

**32. Promotion of local Government institutions**

The State shall encourage local Government institutions composed

of elected representatives of the areas concerned and in such institutions

special representation will be given to *peasants, workers and women*.

**33. Parochial and other similar prejudices to be discouraged**

The State shall discourage *parochial, racial, tribal sectarian* and

*provincial prejudices* among the citizens.

**34. Full participation of women in national life**

Steps shall be taken to ensure full participation of women in all

spheres of national life.

**35**. **Protection of family, etc**.

The State shall protect *the marriage, the family, the mother* and *the*

*child.*

**36. Protection of minorities**

The State shall safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of

*minorities*, including their due representation in the Federal and Provincial

services.

**37.** **Promotion of social justice and eradication of social evils**

The State shall—

1. promote, with special care, the educational and economic

interests of backward classes or areas;

1. remove illiteracy and provide free and compulsory secondary

education within minimum possible period;

1. make technical and professional education generally

available and higher education equally accessible to all on

the basis of merit;

(d) ensure inexpensive and expeditious justice;

(e) make provision for securing just and humane conditions of work,

ensuring that children and women are not employed in vocations unsuited

to their age or sex, and for maternity benefits for women in employment;

(f) enable the people of different areas*, through education,*

*training, agricultural and industrial development and other*

*methods*, to participate fully in all forms of national

activities, including employment in the service of Pakistan;

(g) prevent prostitution, gambling and taking of injurious drugs,

printing, publication, circulation and display of obscene

literature and advertisements;

(h) prevent the consumption of alcoholic liquor otherwise than

for medicinal and, in the case of non-Muslims, religious

purposes; and

(i) decentralise the Government administration so as to facilitate

expeditious disposal of its business to meet the convenience

and requirements of the public.

**38. Promotion of social and economic well being of the people**

The State shall—

(a) secure the well-being of the people, irrespective of *sex, caste,*

*creed or race*, by raising their standard of living, by

preventing the concentration of wealth and means of

production and distribution in the hands of a few to the

detriment of general interest and by ensuring equitable

adjustment of rights between employers and employees, and

landlords and tenants;

(b) provide for all citizens, within the available resources of the

country, facilities for work and adequate livelihood with

reasonable rest and leisure;

(c) provide for all persons employed in the service of Pakistan or

otherwise, social security by *compulsory social insurance* or

other means;

(d) provide basic necessities of life, such as *food, clothing,*

*housing, education and medical relief*, for all such citizens,

irrespective of sex, caste, creed or race, as are permanently or

temporarily unable to earn their livelihood on account of

infirmity, sickness or unemployment;

(e) reduce disparity in the income and earnings of individuals,

including persons in the various classes of the service of

Pakistan;

(f) eliminate ***riba*** as early as possible ; and

[ (g) ***ensure that the shares of the Provinces in all Federal services,***

***including autonomous bodies and corporations established***

***by, or under the control of, the Federal Government, shall be***

***secured and any omission in the allocation of the shares of***

***the Provinces in the past shall be rectified***.]

**39. Participation of people in Armed Forces**

The State shall enable people from all parts of Pakistan to

participate in the Armed Forces of Pakistan.

**40. Strengthening bonds with Muslim world and promoting**

**international peace**

The State shall endeavour to preserve and strengthen fraternal

relations among Muslim countries based on Islamic unity, support the

common interests of the peoples of *Asia, Africa and Latin America,*

promote international peace and security, foster goodwill and friendly

relations among all nations and encourage the settlement of international

disputes by **peaceful means**.