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CHAPTER II

Study Guides

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Agenda 1:

Legislative Reform: Balancing Security in Balochistan and Kashmiri Humanitarian Frameworks

Introduction & Scope

As the primary federal legislative body of Pakistan, the National Assembly is tasked with formulating laws that safeguard national integrity while upholding fundamental rights. This agenda forces delegates to balance the state's hard security imperatives against its domestic and international humanitarian commitments, specifically looking at regional development, civil liberties, and human rights frameworks.

Key Sub-Topics & Controversies

* Balochistan's Security vs. Development Paradigm: Balancing military and counter-terrorism operations with political reconciliation, missing persons inquiries, socioeconomic uplift, and fair resource distribution (such as the National Finance Commission awards and Reko Diq or port revenues).

Kashmiri Humanitarian Frameworks: Addressing the legislative and diplomatic support for the human rights of people in Indian-Administered Jammu and Kashmir, managing refugee integration, and securing educational, medical,



- * and legal aid frameworks for displaced Kashmiri populations within Pakistan.
- * Provincial Autonomy and the 18th Amendment: Debating the extent of federal oversight versus provincial rights when executing security policies and distributing disaster or humanitarian relief.

Political Stances & Party Perspectives

- * Treasury / Ruling Coalition: Emphasize the absolute necessity of state sovereignty, counter-terrorism operations, and securing economic corridors (like CPEC in Balochistan), while maintaining state support for diplomatic and humanitarian advocacy on Kashmir.
- * Opposition Parties: Frequently criticize over-militarization, demand greater transparency regarding enforced disappearances, push for accelerated provincial autonomy, and call for more robust legislative oversight on security agencies.
- * Regional Parties (e.g., Balochistan-based representatives): Focus heavily on local grievances, systemic marginalization, economic disenfranchisement, and the protection of civil liberties from state overreach.



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Agenda 2:

Reforming Anti-Rape Laws & Governance: Protecting Life vs. State Sovereignty and Freedom of Speech

Introduction & Process

This agenda addresses a critical domestic legislative paradox: tightening judicial frameworks to protect citizens from violent crimes (specifically gender-based violence and sexual assault) while defending state sovereignty, national institutions, and regulatory control over public discourse and freedom of speech.

Key Sub-Topics & Controversies

* Anti-Rape (Trial and Investigation) Act Upgrades: Evaluating fast-track special courts, the establishment of anti-rape crisis cells, the introduction of chemical castration or stricter sentencing for repeat offenders, and the protection of victims and witnesses.

* Freedom of Speech vs. State/Institutional Reputation: Addressing cybercrime laws (such as PECA frameworks), defamation bills, and regulations on social media. The debate centers on where legitimate criticism of state institutions ends and sedition, fake news, or national security threats begin.



* **Institutional Accountability:** Assessing how law enforcement agencies, police forces, and the judiciary handle sensitive criminal investigations without political interference or curtailing constitutional rights.

Political Stances & Party Perspectives

* **Lawmakers Favoring Strict State Regulation:** Argue that unbridled freedom of speech online and in the media threatens social cohesion, national security, and the dignity of state institutions, necessitating robust penal codes.

* **Human Rights Advocates & Progressive Factions:** Argue that sweeping defamation or anti-cybercrime laws are frequently weaponized to suppress dissent, muzzle journalists, and restrict civic space under the guise of protecting national security.

* **Consensus Builders:** Propose targeted legal amendments that expedite justice for victims of sexual violence while inserting strict judicial safeguards to prevent the misuse of security laws against civilian free speech.



Recommended PNA Action Points & Legislative Framework

When drafting bills, resolutions, or motion papers in the Pakistan National Assembly, delegates should focus on:

1. **Specialized Parliamentary Committees:** Proposing the formation of joint parliamentary task forces to oversee human rights compliance in sensitive security zones.
2. **Victim-Centric Legal Funding:** Allocating federal budget lines for legal aid cells, witness protection programs, and specialized training for police forces handling anti-rape cases.
3. **Balanced Regulatory Oversight:** Drafting amendments to media and cyber regulations that punish targeted disinformation and harassment without penalizing peaceful political dissent or journalistic reporting.

