

## Peshawar

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## Public forum on good governance today

**Bureau Report**

**PESHAWAR:** National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI) in collaboration with Centre for Civic Education (CCE-Pakistan) is hosting a public forum on Good Governance at Peshawar Press Club today (Tuesday) at 4:30 p.m.

Members of the National Assembly, Senators, members of the NWFP Assembly and representatives of local government have been invited at the forum.

Citizens will listen to their elected representatives at national, provincial and local level and to discuss issues of concern with them. The interactive nature of the open forum will allow all the stakeholders to develop a deeper understanding about the particular problems facing them. The meeting is likely to enhance citizens' faith in democracy and ability of various stakeholders to deliver good governance.

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Rehmanullah Khaliq, MNA, addressing a public forum on good governance held under the auspices of Centre for Civic Education, Pakistan, at the Press Club here on Tuesday.—F.P. photo by Ghulam Murtaza

DAWN WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2003

## Govt flayed for failing to resolve problems

Bureau Report

PESHAWAR, July 22: Public representatives came under criticism from the speakers who termed their failure with regard to the solution of their basic problems.

The public forum entitled "Good governance" organized jointly by National Democratic Institute for International Affairs and Centre for Civic Education, Pakistan here at the Peshawar Press Club on Tuesday.

The forum, besides, general public was attended by one MMA MNA and women MPA, one women MPA of the PML-Q and Nazim of the Town-III.

The speakers said that despite the slogans of adopting simplicity, the government had also adopted lavish life style like their predecessors.

The problems of the people have been multiplied several fold over the past 50 years, whereas the elected representatives do not take interests to seek solutions to the chronic issues confronting the voters, one participant lamented. He said the expenditure of the prime minister, president and chief ministers' houses had registered a great increase, while the people were becoming poorer with each passing day.

# The Nation

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## MMA against some LG system flaws

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

PESHAWAR – MMA member of National Assembly Rehmatullah Khalil has said unless and until several flaws which exist in the Local Government system were not removed they could not accept it as he said that all the powers were granted to the District Nazimeens while the councillors were not given any powers.

He was addressing a Forum on "Good Governance", held here on Tuesday at Peshawar Press Club which was organised by National Democratic Institute (NDI) and Centre for Civic Education.

The Forum besides representatives of civil societies was also addressed by PML-N MPA Dr Samin Mahmood Jan, MMA MPA Naeema Akhtar, Nazim Peshawar Town-3 Yasin Khalil, Union Council Hayatabad-1 Nazim Nawab Khattak and Director Civic Centre for Education Zafarullah Khan.

Speaking on the occasion, the Mutahidda Majlis-e-Amal MNA said that the MMA was

not against the Local Government System and want to function it smoothly, however, he said that there were some flaws which they want to remove saying that the District Nazimeens were granted all powers while the councillors were not given any status.

He said that the MMA govt supports the councillors regarding their genuine rights.

He further said that the job of the Parliament was law-making, however, he said that the Parliament has not been given an opportunity for law-making.

He said that the MMA govt wants that amendments and other constitutional measures must be passed from the National Assembly adding that they were also not against the controversial Legal Framework Order (LFO) if it too was passed from the Parliament. Sami Mahmood Jan, PML-N MPA while speaking on the occasion said that as the opposition in NWFP Assembly was playing a positive role, the opposition at centre too should play a construc-

tive role by creating sound environment for law making in the best interest of the nation and put the country on the path of progress.

The MMA MPA Naeema Akhtar, while addressing the Forum said that their government in NWFP has adopted certain measures for the welfare of the people and said that they have opposed the Suwa system and announced punishment to the male for giving divorce three times at once.

Similarly, Town-3 Nazim Yasin Khalil while, speaking on the occasion said that with the establishment of Local Government System, the people have been facilitated at their doorsteps as he said that now the councillors were solving the problems being faced by the people in streets while the law and order situation has improved.

He said that the MMA government and members of the assembly were collaborating them but there are some of the MMA members who are creating problems in their way.



PESHAWAR: Speakers at the National Democratic Institute forum express their views about good governance.—Staff photo



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**All institutions should be accountable to parliament**

By Our Staff Reporter

QUETTA: All institutions in the country should be made accountable to parliament, army should be separated from power and public opinion should be respected. These views were expressed by MNA Asia Nasir MPAs Jan Muhammad Buledi, Shafiq Ahmad Khan, Rehmat Baloch, Nazim Zarghoon town Abdul Qahar Wadan, former Senator Saifullah Paracha and senior journalist Ikram Ahmad while addressing a seminar "good governance" organized by Center for civic education Pakistan in a local hotel here on Monday.

The speakers said that public opinion has not been given importance in the country. For good governance it was must that democracy be allowed to flourish in the country and all decisions should be taken by elected parliament. The speakers were of the view that dictators, from Ayub Khan to Musharraf, introduced their own local government systems, which caused heavy loss to the country. They said for good government independent judiciary and free press was must and demanded that after retirement judges should not be posted on key posts and chief election commissioner and judges be appointed by Senate of Pakistan.

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**Glimpses of Forum on good governance**



QUETTA: MNA, Asia Nasir, MPAs Shafiq Ahmed Khan, Jan Muhammad Bukdi, Rehmat Ali and Nazim Zarghoon town Abdul Qahar wadan addressing forum on good governance under auspices of Center for Civic Education.