JUDICIAL REFORM FRAMEWORK

Applying the EEEQI Model to Pakistan's Judiciary



Equality — Article 25 Guarantee

Equal protection under law; addressing disparities between elite litigation access and underprivileged legal aid.

Efficiency — Case Backlog Reduction

Resolving 2.2M+ pending cases via e-courts, case management systems, and procedural streamlining.

Effectiveness — Enforcement & Trust

Timely execution of verdicts, public trust restoration, and strengthening institutional accountability.

Quality — Judicial Competence

Standardizing judicial appointments, training via academies, and producing high-caliber jurisprudence.

Inclusiveness — Access to Justice

Expanding district legal aid, gender-sensitized courts, and protection for vulnerable communities.

CONSTITUTIONAL ARCHITECTURE

Judicial System Foundations under the 1973 Constitution

PART VII • ARTICLE 175

Judicial Hierarchy

Establishes the Supreme Court of Pakistan, High Courts in each province, and subordinate judiciaries operating under law.

18TH AMENDMENT • ARTICLE 175A

Judicial Commission

Standardizes transparent merit-based appointments for judges of superior courts via the Judicial Commission of Pakistan.

PART II • ARTICLES 184(3) & 199

Writ Jurisdiction

Empowers Supreme Court and High Courts to enforce fundamental rights and issue constitutional remedies against state actions.

CHAPTER 3A • ARTICLE 203A-J

Federal Shariat Court

Examines and determines whether existing laws comply with Islamic principles and injunctions of the Quran and Sunnah.

ARTICLE 175(3)

Separation of Powers

Mandates the complete independence of the judiciary from the executive organ to ensure impartial administration of justice.

Article 4 Guarantee "To enjoy the protection of law and to be treated in accordance with law is the inalienable right of every citizen."

GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT ALIGNMENT

1973 Constitution of Pakistan & UN SDG 16

SDG 16

PEACE, JUSTICE & STRONG INSTITUTIONS

Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all, and build effective, accountable institutions.

Equal Access to Justice for All — Articles 4 & 37(d)

Guarantees inalienable protection of law (Art. 4) and mandates inexpensive, expeditious justice for all citizens (Art. 37d).

Protection of Life & Liberty — Article 9 & 10A

Ensures fundamental right to life, personal liberty (Art. 9), and constitutional guarantee to a fair trial and due process (Art. 10A).

Institutional Transparency & Information — Article 19A

Guarantees the Right to Information in all matters of public importance, advancing institutional accountability.

Strong & Independent Institutions — Article 175(3)

Mandates complete separation of the Judiciary from the Executive to ensure institutional integrity and rule of law.