

Press Release

## Panama Papers Saga Establishes Democracy Guards Corruption Real, Effective and Timely Accountability is Only Possible in the Khilafah on the Method of the Prophethood

The demand for the resignation of the Prime Minister, Nawaz Sharif, is gaining momentum, after the submission of a report to the Supreme Court on the matter of the Panama Papers probe by the Joint Investigation Team (JIT), on 10 July 2017. The conclusion of JIT report is that the prime minister and his children have not established the money trail regarding assets, with living standards well beyond their declared assets and so the matter must be transferred to the National Accountability Bureau (NAB). Let no one forget that in June 2012, the then Prime Minister, Yousuf Raza Ghilani, was disqualified by the Supreme Court, yet the government of Pakistan People's Party (PPP) remained. Moreover, the new Prime Minister, Raja Pervaiz Ashraf, was appointed, even whilst he was under investigation for financial corruption by the NAB over kickbacks, whilst he was Minister for Water and Power! So, even if the Prime Minister of the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) is sent home, the ruling party can simply appoint another corrupt ruler to complete its turn. Truly, Democracy is the guardian of corruption.

Real, effective and timely accountability of rulers is not possible in Democracy or indeed any other man made system. As is seen around the world through the Panama Papers and numerous other cases, Democracy provides ample loop holes to allow corrupt rulers to amass immense wealth through their access to power and funds, whilst concealing their corruption. Throughout the world, even after years of investigation and court trials, corrupt rulers are not convicted through lack of irrefutable evidence. Real, effective and on time accountability of those with access to power and funds of the state is only possible in the Khilafah on the Method of Prophethood, which implements the laws revealed by Allah (swt) and not the laws made by men. It is narrated by Abu Hamid Al-Sa'idi, the Prophet (saaw) employed a man from the tribe of Al-Azd named Ibn Lutbiyyah as collector of Zakat. When the employee returned (with the collections) he said: "O Prophet (saaw)! This is for you and this is mine because it was presented to me as gift." The Messenger of Allah (saaw) rose to the pulpit and praised Allah and extolled Him. Then he (saaw) said, «مَا بَالُ الْعَامِلِ نَبِعْتُهُ فَيَأْتِي يَقُولُ هَذَا لَكَ وَهَذَا لِي فَهَلَّا جَلَسَ فِي بَيْتِ أَبِيهِ وَأَمَّهُ فَيَنْظُرُ أَيُّهُدَىٰ لَهُ أَمْ لَا وَالَّذِي نَفْسِي بِيَدِهِ» «لَا يَأْتِي بِشَيْءٍ إِلَّا جَاءَ بِهِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ يَحْمِلُهُ عَلَى رَقَبَتِهِ إِنْ كَانَ بَعِيرًا لَهُ رُغَاءٌ أَوْ بَقْرَةً لَهَا حَوَارٌ أَوْ شَاةٌ تَبْعُرُ ثُمَّ رَفَعَ يَدَيْهِ حَتَّى رَأَيْنَا عَفْرَتِي إِنْطَبِئَهُ أَلَا هَلْ بَلَغْتَ ثَلَاثًا» "I employ a man to do a job and he comes and says: 'This is for you and this has been presented to me as gift'? Why did he not remain in the house of his father or the house of his mother and see whether gifts will be given to him or not? By Allah in Whose Hand is the life of Muhammad, if any one of you took anything wrongfully, he will bring it on the Day of Resurrection, carrying it on (his back), I will not recognize anyone of you, on the Day of Resurrection with a grunting camel, or a bellowing cow, or a bleating ewe." Then he raised his hands till we could see the whiteness of his armpits. Then he said thrice, "O Allah ! have I conveyed (Your Commandments" [Bukhari and Muslim].

Hizb ut Tahrir Wilayah Pakistan warns the Muslims of Pakistan that no good ever comes out of such anti-corruption dramas under Democracy. Before the current drama, the Musharraf's martial law era "restoration of democracy" and the PPP's "restoration of judiciary" never brought any good and corruption continued. Democracy will never bring any good in the future as well because every institution works according to the Kufr laws left by the British Raj. These dramas are meant to give you false hope in Democracy, so as to stop you from working for real change through the re-establishment of the Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood. Turn your back on Democracy's dramas and expend all your efforts for the re-establishment of the Khilafah which is the only guarantor of real, effective and timely accountability of rulers.

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