

ROSHNI

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Dear Mr./Ms.

"Roshni" is engaged in efforts to establish a just, progressive and democratic society in Pakistan.

"Roshni" is action-oriented and is based on the assumption that the majority of the people of Pakistan are talented and well meaning. If the monopolies are eliminated, obstacles in the way of education are removed, and equal opportunities are given to utilize the country's resources they will certainly act in unison and coordination to build a helpful and progressive society.

"Roshni" intends to create awareness among the masses about their social, political and economic rights as well as their responsibilities. It intends to set up a "Research Cell" for preparing sound literature on important issues of the people and render useful advice to the political parties and the governments of the time to solve such problems.

The Objectives of "Rohsni" are presented below:

1. To create educational and political awareness among the masses and the realization in them about their rightful share in state power.
2. To free the people of intellectual and ideological confusions and all kinds of religious, sectarian, racial, linguistic and class prejudices. To help them adopt a humanitarian and liberal approach to life. To relieve people of all kinds of superstitions and outmoded traditions.
3. To work for the development and prosperity of the country and for the betterment of humanity in general. To secure equal rights for women with men. To ensure recognition of every citizen of Pakistan as part of the Pakistani nation irrespective of race or religion and to ensure equal participation in state affairs.
4. To promote creativity in human endeavour and advancement in educational, scientific and technological

fields. To make the necessary advances in literature, art and culture.

5. To effect good governance by bringing forward intelligent and honest leadership from amongst the common people. To end feudalism, and monopolies over the means of production. To provide equal opportunities to everyone to employ the means of production for personal betterment and national development.
6. To create a society free from exploitation, injustice and violence wherein everyone will be free to hold and express his/her views. To resolve all differences through dialogue.
7. To engage in social activities to ameliorate the lot of the poor people and raise their standard of living.

If you agree with our objectives and are willing to work with us to get these fulfilled, I would like you to inform us of your willingness so that we may invite you to a meeting scheduled for mid-September to formulate the Plan of Action of "Roshni".

With regards and best wishes
Yours truly,

(Sadfdar Hasan Siddiqi)
CONVENOR