**Constitutional Development of PakistanCourse Code: LLB 412**

**Course Outline:**

By the end of World War II, the British granted independence to its Indian colony and for that matter the British Parliament enacted the Indian Independence Act, 1947. Under the Act, the British Crown relinquished its powers over India and transferred those powers to the newly established dominions of India and Pakistan. The Government of India Act, 1935, previously the constitution of British India, was amended to bring it in consonance with the aims and objectives of independence as laid down in the 1947 Act. The combination of these two constitutional instruments served as an interim constitutional order for both countries until their respective constituent assemblies adopted their own constitutions.Starting from the Government of India Act, 1935 till to date, all important events leading to constitutional developments in Pakistan will be the focus of thiscourse. Failure of the constitutional machinery and leading constitutional cases on the subject; starting from MolviTamizudin Khan to the Dissolution of Assemblies and the constitutional petitions challenging the powers of Parliament to amend the Constitution will be part of the course.

**Recommended Reading:**

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