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Discourses on Political Islam may be divided into two mounting phases. First one has occurred after Iranian Revolution in 1979 and second one has appeared as a result of Arab Spring wave in 2011. A critical analysis of these discourses in terms of their trajectories and resistance is needed to be found out for strategies of future policy orientations. This doctoral dissertation aims to unfold genealogical notions backing political Islam related discourses and attempts to search out its complementation or contradiction with Islamic political theory as perceived in original Islamic texts. Primarily, the study focuses on holistic and theoretical view of political Islam. The study also aims to analyze the basic theory and current strategies of Islamic political movements which may be considered the vanguard of Islamic revolution. These movements have created a certain discourse of political activism that is one of the matters of hottest debate in the contemporary academic and political world. Discourse analysis method with its approach of Critical Discourse Analysis (CDA) has been used and qualitative data collected from specific and relevant strata will be analyzed. The study argues that conspiracy theory is one of the key factors involved in offending political Islam and apparently, a valued segment of scholars concerned to the subject believe that Islamic political theory must not be perceived as the source of violence and a root for terrorism discourses. Thus, the present study attempts to introduce a new specific term "Conscious Muslim Polity" (CMP) to ascertain elements of better political strategy considering pluralistic emergence of present global society. Cutting edge political climate of Tunis and Malaysia is going to be presented as model for rest of the world Islamic movements.

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List of Acronyms

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ABIM Malaysian Islamic Youth Movement — (Angkatan Belia Islam Malaysia)

CDA Critical Discourse Analysis

CMP Conscious Muslim Polity

DA Discourse Analysis

FDA Faucauldian Discourse Analysis

IIUM International Islamic University Malaysia

ISTAC International Institute of Islamic Thought & Civilization

JI Jamaat-e-Islami

JUI Jamiat Ulama-e-Islam MB Muslim Brotherhood

MENA Middle East & North Africa

PAS Party of Islam, Malaysia

UMNO United Malays National Organization

UMT University of Management and Technology

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Chapter 1

Introduction

Islam, both in theory and practice, seems varied between distinctive and historical schools of Muslim thought as well as in socio-political climates of different Muslim populated regions. It is all about unity in diversity. Particularly, in the era of "War on terror" the term generally perceived to masses of Muslims as "War against Islam" and according to many scholarly circles, the significant role of political Islam in a particular context and boundaries may be thought of as same applicable to other settings. This perception of unity rather diversity regarding political Islam theories and practices might be a cause of heterogeneous view of the issue of Islamic polity in the present age. Such type of thoughts is making the scenario more challenging and the assumptions more damaged because ceremonial aspect of political Islam is not necessarily the same in theory and practice in very Muslim populations.

Among others, one of the main consequences of Islamic revolution of Iran in 1979 "Political Islam" or "Islamism" has been the core point of academic debate among researchers, scholars, policymakers, and rest of the concerned personals. Hypothetically much has been written and supposed with respect to Islamism as a political and good/moral pattern; however insufficient consideration is paid to its progressing advancement. There is currently a developing affirmation inside the academic circles that Islamism is in the throes of change. Furthermore, coinage of "Post-Islamism" unite researchers and activists from diverse parts of the Muslim and Western world to talk about their insights on the changing discourses and practices of Islamic resurgence movements and Islamic regimes to a great extent in the Muslim countries. These developments have been termed as 'Post-Islamism,' characterized both as a condition and a task described by the combination of religiosity and rights, confidence and flexibility, faith and freedom. According to the contemporary thinkers on "Post-Islamism" it accentuates rights as opposed to simply commitment, majority rather than particular legitimate voice, trustworthiness as opposed to the settled traditions, and the future

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Arab Spring and its aftershocks again attracted the world to the emerging patterns of Political Islam. Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, Yemen and their neighboring states were facing a new and decisive pattern of agitation against the long ago family aristocracies. Simultaneously, the whole scenario was challenging for ruling regimes and Islamic resurgence movements. Muslim Brotherhood (MB- Al-Ikhwan-ul-Muslimun, which was considered backbone of Arab Spring) possesses considerable support in these countries along with its ideological associated movements including Al-Nahdah in Tunisia. Ikhwan-ul-Muslimun (MB) and Al-Nahdah achieved a considerable victory in elections just after the wave of Arab Spring. Although, they could not sustain their victory, but their significant role in the political scenario is prevailing. Ikhwan (MB) has reasonable political weightage in these countries. Most of the ruling regimes were forced publically to lose their offices during Arab Spring likewise in Egypt, Tunisia, Yemen and Libya and rest of them were succeeded to save their offices. Islamic movements entered into a new phase of strategic turn as aftershocks of Arab Spring. During the agitation, they strive their best not to encircle them directly with plotters of Arab Spring, but their presence in whole scenario was widely considered. These few years of fluctuations during the Arab Spring observed dramatic transitions from historic family authoritarian rule towards an urge of democracy. Some drastic social problems like poverty, corruption scandals, unemployment, political unrest, hegemony of external powers especially Israel and US developed strong feelings of anger in the youth of Arab countries. As a result of aguish explosion commenced from 2011 some of the strong regimes of Tunis, Liya, Yemen and Egypt. Rests of the countries are not in state of peace like Syria which is in situation of civil war. These incidents are being called Arab spring due to two

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reasons, (1) because most of happenings were observed in spring season of 2011 and (2) initiated by young ones who were in swing of spring in terms of age and socially well linked through emergence of social media.

Ahmed Ibrahim Abusho uk, the author of *The Arab Spring: A Fourth Wave of Democratization* describes the situation and figures its historical link as under,

The Arab Spring is seen as the representation of the public feelings and desires to achieve democracy, exactly like the European widespread revolutions of 1848 which were known as the "Springtime of People" that were essentially democratic, and the liberalization movements in Czechoslovakia after World War II, known as "Prague Spring" which were a strong attempt to grant additional rights to the citizens of Czechoslovakia.²

Post Arab spring scenario and emergence of ISIS (Islamic State in Syria and Iraq) again focused the view on the discourses of Political Islam, because the terms like "Islamic State" and "Caliphate" (Khilafah), Sharia (The Islamic Law) are common terminology being used in the significant texts of Political Islam specialists, like Abul'ala Mawdudi Founder of *Jamaat-e-Islami*, Syed Qutab, the most significant thinker from Egypt, the Islamic movement of Tunisia, Khursheed Ahmed and Khurram Murad the academic adherents of Maulana Mudoodi from Pakistan and many others...

Furthermore, some more terms like "Islamism" and "Post-Islamism" were introduced by the contemporary writers of the area to confine "political centered" activism of Islamic resurgence. "Islamism" is more precise and focused term as prescribed by a renowned political analyst Guilian Denoeux "a form of instrumentalization of Islam by individuals, groups and organizations that pursue political objectives". "The homogeneity of viewpoints regarding the role of Islam in politics" is the focal point differentiating between the terms Political Islam and Islamism.

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The author of "Political Islam failure and experience of Muslim Brotherhood" Ardovini Lucia expresses the term and its diversity in the following words;

While a definition of what the term "Political Islam" suggests is indeed useful when beginning to approach the subject. Political Islam often referred to as Islamism, can be understood as a collection of views and practices sharing the belief that the Islamic faith should guide political, personal, and social life. Being a religious ideology that supposedly provides both practical and spiritual guidance, it follows that while its core components are universal, its interpretation and implications vary depending on the geographical location and political context, therefore generating tensions.⁴

The author also links his thesis with the framework of Historical Sociology and identifies the term in more depth and illustrates that, This is why Historical Sociology provides an effective analytical framework for the purpose of this study, as it moves away from the traditional understanding of "Islam" or the "Arab mind" as explanatory elements of the region's geopolitics, and instead focuses on how religious and social institutions are established and maintained in a variety of different national contexts. The belief that politics should be an extension of faith causes a fascinating overlap between the secular and the religious spheres, hence the adoption of the term "Political" is extremely useful in demonstrating how social activities linked to Islam still have to act within the political domain and are often restricted by state-based "secular" institutions. Once again, it follows that practices of da'wa', "preaching" or "invitation to Islam", the application of the Islamic law (shari'a) and similar activities are widely influenced by the socio-political context in which they find themselves". \$\frac{1}{2}\].

Features of Islamic Political System

It seems indispensable to overview the fundamental features of Islamic political system from the original sources of sacred Muslims texts. In Muslim tradition, first and ultimate source of law and divine wisdom is the Holy Qur'an...

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"Sovereignty belongs to Allah" is considered primary and basic value of Islamic polity as prescribed in the Holy Qur'an. The Qur'an expresses the concept of the Sovereignty right from its start to end in very clear way and explicit manner. As an example we are quoting some of them.

First of all we see the ideology of "Sovereignty" in these words:

"Say: Oh Allah! Owner of Sovereignty! Thou give sovereignty unto whom Thou wilt, and Thou withdrawals sovereignty from whom Thou wilt. Thou exaltest whom Thou wilt, and Thou abasest whom Thou wilt. In Thy hand is the good. Lo! Thou art able to do all things"

The above mentioned verse, absolutely, dictates occupancy of the sovereignty of Allah. The ALLAH almighty gives sovereignty to those that they come under consideration of place. The explanation of this statement is very logical. This sovereignty shift to people and people try to maintain its position. It proves that God owns sovereignty and human beings empowered the virtue of the sovereignty of their people. Now it depends upon human trust that how much they freely act upon to recognize the fact of responsibility. According to the statement of the Sahih Bukhari,

"I respond to your call, O Allah, I respond to your call, and I am fully obedient to your orders, you have no partner, I respond to your call, all the praise and blessings are for you, all the sovereignty is for you, and you have no partners."...

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Chapter 2

Literature Review

In this chapter, we are commencing the debate with a short history of political literature, theory and doctrine to understand the background and process of development in the nature of political theory and practice. Moving ahead, there is a central theme of the chapter where emergence of political Islam

through its ideologies, like Maulana Mawdudi and others are being introduced briefly with their academic

and pragmatic role in the fields of academia and political arena.

Simultaneously, the term political Islam was getting place in concerned literature by the researchers of the time. From this theoretical base the suggested strategic term as an outcome and contribution to the body of existing knowledge "Conscious Muslim Polity" (CMP) is an attempt to fill the gap found in the literature and pave the way for further policy related issues both for Islamic Movements within and external clouts without.

History of Political Literature

Political doctrine is considered to be an interdisciplinary effort and its central theme lies in the humanity paradigm of political science. It has varied styles, traditions and approaches but this field is thought to be united in sphere of theorizing, critique and diagnosing different norms and practices and political action at our places or anywhere else of past and present time. Those who are political theorists share their concerns with regard to justice demands along with fulfillment, y and nature of public goods and among many other associated areas. Commitment to studying politics from the humanistic outlook is also shared by political theorists with some substantial disagreements too.⁸

In recent couple of years especially in United States of America, politics study has seen formal and quantitative aspects on an increasing scale. Those who understand political theory properly, consider that formal theory has geared exclusively towards political phenomena explanation and this explanation is exhibited on natural sciences and also framed in patterns and causal explanations of human world events.

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There are certain challenges for these approaches on qualitative and interpretive behalf like more recent is by the *Perestroika* movement. Location of political theory lies at one remove from the debate of quantitative and qualitative and this theory sits between normative philosophy and empirical politics world. There has been a challenge regarding productive positioning of political theory in three locations: relating to academic areas of history, philosophy and political science; between political world and abstract level of theory; between established theory of politics and fresh resources like discourse analysis,. There is a production association between those who think of this as political scientists and those who consider as political theorists. When there is talk of constitutional law and foundations of normative nature then connectivity of law is considered to be strongest one. ¹⁰

Most of the portion of political doctrine and political theory is comprised of normative component despite of the fact that whether theory follows systematic or diagnostic nature, focuses on textual or cultural aspects, methodological aspects of critical, analytical, ancestral or deconstructive, follows ideal or piecemeal procedures and take on socialism, liberalism or conservatism in its political sense. So this field accepts all these approaches mentioned previously...

Tablighi Jamaat

Jamaah Tabligh or Tableeghi jammat is considered one of the worldwide Islamic daawah movements. ¹¹It is most likely the most far reaching Islamic movement on earth despite the fact that the real number cannot be confirmed because of the extremely casual nature of the movement. Jamaah Tabligh was established at 1926 in India by Muhammad Ilyas Al-Kandhlawi. Jamaah Tabligh has its practice as it was a compulsory part of Islam. Jamaah Tabligh is a non-political party and has dependably been so. They proclaim that with a specific end goal to change

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the society and a result the government and other societal institutes, we initially need to change the single person.

Small groups of *Jamaah Tabligh* go out to different mosques to practice daawah. There, they fundamentally read *Tableegi Nisab12*, help one another to remember the Sunnah and go around the mosque population to ask individuals to come to the mosque for a discussion in which they essentially discuss *Emaan (ابحان)*. *Jamaah Tabligh* has a tradition to go out for 3, 7, 10 and 40 days or 4 months. They finance themselves and have no enrollment or participation expenses or any formal ties. Jamaah Tabligh just contact Muslims. Generally, Non-Muslims are not their target population. They believe that first of all Muslims should build their character as role model, and then we can preach disbelievers on ease. Jamaah Tabligh does not help any sort of political plan or agenda because their ultimate focus is on basic changes in Muslim individuals in Islamic perspectives. Tableeghi Jamaat role in Islamization of Malaysian society is pivotal. Although, they are not favoring any political agenda but their trained people ultimately support Islamic parties...

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^{12.} Tableeghi Nisab is a book authored by Maulana Zikria (R.A-) one of the founders of Tableeghi Jamaat. The book comprises different Ahadees and narratives about importance of good deeds. (فضا ثل اعمال)

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Research Design, Strategy and Methods

This dissertation employs qualitative research methodology, which embraces discursive interpretation, adductive research strategy and critical discourse analysis. To begin with, the methodology of this study is qualitative, involving an interpretative, naturalistic approach to the concept of political Islam and how it relates to its trajectories, resistance modes and discourses. This methodology draws the researcher into the phenomenological complexity of the participants' world where situations unfold, and connections, causes and correlations can be observed as they occur over time. ¹³ It implies a study of phenomenon in their natural settings and attempts to interpret the events in terms of the meaning, people bring to them. Therefore, this methodology examines people's words and actions in narrative and descriptive ways more closely representing the situation as experienced by participants. ¹⁴

Moreover, the research design in this study involves discursive interpretation. This form of interpretation is most pronounced in its opposition to positivism and absolute universal truisms. ¹⁵ It focuses the importance of the context in which interaction, political or otherwise, takes place, stating that, this is critical for accurate analysis, rather than assuming that data collected in one context can be generalized beyond it, discursive analysis focuses on ways in which people make sense of their interaction, of themselves or their own mental states in that context. ¹⁶ Simply, discursive interpretation explores 'how the ways in which we come to talk about and account for our own mental states actually provide the resources for managing and experiencing the world and our own mental states'?

Furthermore, this study utilizes an abductive research strategy that focuses "Trajectories" of political Islam. An abductive research strategy has often been described as inductive yet this largely

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misrepresents the complexity of the analytical task involved. Paralleling the inductive method, it begins by observing the social world and the social actors under investigation.

However the abductee research strategy emphasizes the social actors' construction of reality, their ways of conceptualizing and giving meaning to their social world and their tacit knowledge. ¹⁷ This particular goal can only be accurately discovered from the account that the social actors provide. The reality of the social actors under study, the method and manner in which they have constructed and interpreted their own activities, is embedded in their discourse. These social scientific typical situations provide an understanding of the activities and may, then, become ingredients in more systematic explanatory accounts.

Clearly, the abdicative research strategy is based on interpretation and understanding, utilizing interpretive ontological and epistemological elements such as critical theory. Such a strategy involves constructing a theory that is derived from social actors' language, meaning and theories, or is grounded in everyday activities. Abduction is the process used to produce social scientific accounts of social life by drawing the concepts and meaning used by social actors, and the activities they engage. The particular strength of this strategy is both logical and innovative...

Sampling Strategy

As discussed earlier that this current study has incorporated qualitative research approach so under this approach certain sampling techniques are available. To fulfilling current research objectives and answer research questions, purposive sampling technique has been utilized for sample selection. For selection of those Islamic scholars who are knowledgeable regarding political Islam. This purposive sampling is used in a condition where participants are selected deliberately who can provide the required information 18. Central issue of current study revolves around discourses of political Islam so in order to get rich information on the subject, those scholars are selected who can give rich and detailed information...

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Chapter 4

Results/ Findings

Major Muslim Discourses on Political Islam

Trajectories of Muslim Political Thinkers and their Perspectives

In recent years, debate on political Islam within Muslim academic circles is taking very diverse and steady turns. "Rethinking political Islam" one of the latest works on the topic, covers the cutting edge issues of Islamic Movements while catching better role in power spectrum especially in Egypt, Tunisia and Morocco. ¹⁹ Book editors revive direct insights from the second line leadership of the movements as well as observe critically their redefined role in Muslim polities in rapidly growing climate by some external writers.

Muslim academic circles can be viewed and assessed in different categories. Most of them exist in Muslim population including fundamentalists, traditionalist, modernists, revivalists and others. ²⁰ Islamic regime of late Erabkan has lost his vote bank as converted to AK party in recent election of Turkey on June 24, 2018, and MENA (Middle East and North Africa) considers political struggle and leadership change as core value and obligation of Islamic doctrine as perceived by their present and past thinking hubs like Maulana Mawdudi, Hasan al-Banna, Syed Qutb, Hasan Turabi, Khurshid Ahmad, Yousef Al-Qarzawi and Rashad Ghanushi. Oxford handbook on Islam and politics adds more names from Iran like, Ali Shariati, Ayat Ullah Kumaini and Khatmi. ²¹

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appreciate to be an active participant in electoral power politics considering politics as focused in Islam as other aspects of Islamic system. They consider politics a field of struggle and contribution but not as crucial like above mentioned Islamic groups like *JI* and *MB* but as perceived by *JUI* (*Jamiat Ulema e Islam*) etc.

Another developing approach in Islamic world is modernist one which is itself not an easy task to comprehend. There are slight boundary lines in modernist approach in Muslim academia like Javaid Ahmad Ghamdi, a Pakistani based scholar does believe that Islamic revivalist and resurgence movements has no more right to broadcast Muslim mind of 21th century to stand forth against the Western dominance.²²

Maulana Wahid ul Din Khan is considered as the commandant of academic Sufi orders of Muslim scholarship in terms of political Islam perspective. His major work on the issue was published well before time in 1963 in India as response to Mawdudi approach of *Iqamat e Deen*, titled "*Tabeer ki Ghalti*" (Folly of Interpretation). Until today this prescribed work of Maulana Khan is considered the fundamental source of maximum modernist and academic Sufi Muslim scholars who are arguably, not in the favor of respective political activism of Islamic groups like JI and MB. Before that few more like, Sir Syed Ahmad Khan, an Indian based modernist educationist and Muslim leader argued that Islam advises its believers to be loyal to the respective state and government, what they are part of and they should desire no concern with their belief system etc. Another scholar from Egypt Ali Abd Raziq generated a healthy debate to strengthen his argument of separation between state and religion in the Middle East. ²³ On the

 $^{^{22}}$ A semi structured interview was conducted with him by me in May 2018 at kualalampur, Malaysia on the said topic. His detailed thoughts will be the part of this dissertation in coming pages.

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same lines another Egyptian scholar Al-Ashmawy raised his questions on the fusion ideology of religion and state. Both Maulana Wahid din Khan and Al Ashmawy picked out their arguments from the Qur'an and Hadith.

If we observe all above mentioned Muslim scholars' way of argumentation, we will see that all of them, strive their best to prove their stance from the basic sources of Islam especially The Qur'an and simultaneously from The Hadith, Fiqh and *Sahaba's* traditions. Maulana Mawdudi quoted hundreds of Qur'anic verses in his famous work *Khilafat u Malukiat*, with the title of political teachings of the Qur'an.²⁴ He proves famous 'fusion framework' as perceived by Irfan Ahmad.²⁵ In contrary, Maulana Wahid ul din who favors 'anti fusion framework' in almost all pages of his works on the topic. Irfan Ahmad concludes this debate in these words,

Explicitly, core outcome of this debate is to decrypting meanings of the keywords often used in the text of Muslim resources regarding political injunction as like, *Khilafah*, *dawla*, *hukuma*, *amir*, etc. Barnard Lewis' famous work "The political language of Islam"²⁶ explores basic terminology of political Islam along with other Latin and Hebrew traditions along with Islamic one. He is of the view that fusion framework of state and religion in Islam is the right interpretation of the issue. We can observe the same textual approach in the works of anti-fusionist scholars such as Maulana Wahid ul din Khan and Al-Ashmawy.²⁷

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• The term of Political Islam has emerged in late 20th century and is purely based upon typical Western thought. Dr. Shabbir Akhtar, a Pakistani intellectual, has studied Qur'an in depth and has given worldview to comprehend different concepts pertaining to philosophy of Islam. He has published a book regarding Political Islam because currently this has now entered into highly researched subject. When notion of Kalima arrived that there is no God but Allah then Quraish-e-Makkah knew that it was very strong base which is sufficient to demolish their existing system.

Furthermore, in the academic tradition of Islamic history, the term of Mazhab (Hanafi, Maliki, Shafai and Hambli) has been introduced when principles of jurisprudence has been developed by different scholars. Our religion doesn't circle around just to worship Allah and performing certain rituals, rather is a complete code of life, which provides guidance individually as well as collectively ...

Basically, there is no basis for this term 'political Islam'. It means it has been introduced here in
our society carrying concepts of Western scholars as Islam has different editions and phases. By
producing different versions of Islam, they wish Muslim Ummah to be in multiple divisions for instance,
 Sufi Islam; liberal Islam etc. there are all baseless divisions. According to the Holy Qur'an, Islam is just
sole religion and there are no editions in it.

Factually, if we put our understanding that Islam just revolves around few rituals then we are limiting its concepts. Islam is complete code of life which provides guidance in every aspects of life. For instance, in case of prayer, any Muslim can perform with Jamaat or in isolation. But important thing is that it provides the comprehensive social system. When Hazrat Abu Bakar (R.A) was appointed as Caliph, he was asked to do lead (*Imamat*) prayer and it was an indication of state's Imam and it was considered as a justification. The society will capture all aspects which are present in a leader of state. For example, if any king of state has been fond of multiple marriages, it was thought of having depiction in society. But after the arrival of Hazrat Umer Bin Abdul Aziz, society was completely changed. This is the basic message which has also been given by Molana Mawdudi and Hassan al-Banna etc, that Islamic doctrine should be the driving force which brings the societal change. But this has not been acceptable by

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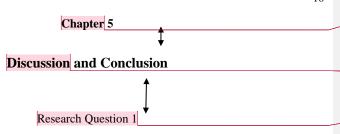
Western culture, so many world powers making their efforts best to remove concept of Jihad in Islam and to present different versions as I mentioned earlier...

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• The term 'political Islam' has been coined by the Western mind. We have no evidence of using this term in Muslims Scholars like Mawdudi and Al-Banna and others. All movements led by Muslim scholars are named as political Islam by the Western writers. Later on, all Islamic movements were added in this category. Original or mainsstream Islamic movements have the aptitude to spread Islam via peace and preach and want to bring prosperity in the society. On the other side, another term like militant Islam has also been used for movements like TTP (Tehreek-e-Taliban, Pakistan). Movements that are spreading extremism have no association with Islamic principles because they are violating these canons.

Political Islam is not a reactionary term rather it is a planned term. When Khilafat was ended then question was rose in Muslim mind regarding governing the collective life. As a result of this, these Islamic movements came forward and political Islamic movements are just those which want to bring Islamic principles into society and law peacefully and through legal and democratic process...

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How can Islamic political theory be framed in historical context and after the emergence of political Islam?

The term of 'Political Islam' has been incorporated by the Western thoughts and it has passed through various minds. Most of the scholars are of the view that this term has put into usage by wellcrafted minds with certain specific background. Even Islam has not put some bifurcations regarding division of this term. It seems that even context has been created for connotation of this term with reference to Muslims efforts in different particular contexts.

"Term of Political Islam has certain wrong interpretations. It reveals certain aims of some media because this term is utilized with specific background. If we analyze Islamic teachings, there is no room for political and nonpolitical division of Islam" Dr. Tanoli

There is a question as why wrong interpretation has been associated with this self-introduced term. There might be two highly debated points here. This term is created purposefully for attaching Islam with that questionable context having no association with true teachings of Islam. On the other side, wrong elucidations were attached to it. It reveals the nature of hatred of Western mind against religion which has tried to malign Islam. Historically, Muslims have endeavored for Islamic rules implementation which is in itself an unacceptable move from Western culture.

"The term of Political Islam has been emerged in late 20th century and is purely based upon typical Western thought" Dr. Absar

One of the Islamic scholars explained that we have no evidence of using political Islam as a term in Muslims which is the clear indication of Western thought. In Muslim Context, efforts have been misanalysed by those who had stakes in dissemination of wrong perceptions and extreme behaviors Commented [SA70]: • Chapter 5 will start on new page. Centered, Bold, times New Roman, 12 font.

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against Islam. Movements of Political Islam were based upon the needs of Muslims to practice Islam by all means at state level.

"This term 'political Islam' has been coined by Western society. We have no evidence of using this term in Muslims Scholars like Mawdudi and Al-Bana. All movements led by Muslims are named as political Islam by the West. Later on, all those movements which believe extremism were added in this category." Asif Luqman Qazi

Islam has given the concept of *Khilafat* which is considered as the part of Islamic teachings and was a specific sort of government system just after the demise of the last prophet (PBUH). As opposed to Western government system, Islam distinguishes the requirement of society and all its dimensions so it explains all the affairs and organs of the state. This well-defined governance system of Islam poses a threat to Western system which appears in a way of nervousness against Islamic rubrics and concocts the term 'Political Islam'. In recent historical context, Molana Mawdudi and Hassan al-Banna have initiated their movements for implementing Islamic principles at state level. Western mindset discerned it with fear that if Islamic rulings were implemented, Western governance structure would be negated. Western mindset had also been involved in developing confusions among Muslims regarding governance system of Islam.

We have examples in which religion has been separated from governing system as in French revolution. Due to this Khilafat in Turkey was demolished in 1924. There is a huge difference found in understating of roles. Islam provides comprehensive guidance in governance system at state and societal level and has mediations in every aspect of life. On the other side, West has put separate ways and considered religion as an individual choice and to detach state governance from religion. The revolution of Iran is based upon Islamic thought which has erupted in a gigantic revolution and it was seen against the Kingdom system. Power just belongs to Almighty Allah and nobody has right to claim that supremacy except Allah. Iran revolution is significant in a way that it has involved intense efforts against Western powers and mindset and has never shaken against all odds. Spectrum of Political Islam has been widened after these incidents. It has always been the aberrant behavior of Western mindset against all these Islamic

movements. Theory of Political Islam has involved huge interventions by the Western thought which is highly biased towards these movements in historical perspective.

"History has some facts like in 1790 during French revolution, religion was removed from political setting and same was the case in Turkey. Now they are not absorbing the separate state 'Pakistan' came into existence in 1947 in the name of Islam." Molana Zahid-ul-Rashidi

To me, it is rightly mentioned by Molana Zahid-ul-Rashidi means this issue was in progress from removing religion from political setting. It appears the dual standards of Western thought. Firstly they removed religion from political affairs and later on attached politics with Islam in terms of new term 'Political Islam'. This reveals their malevolent designs for slandering Islam. There is a question why the emphasis is on Political Islam despite existence of other religions like Christianity, Hinduism etc. We do not have such terms like Political Christianity, Political Hinduism or Political Judaism etc. Just like all these terms are not used so to introduce 'Political Islam' purposefully is not acceptable as said by Dr. Hammad Lakhwi

"According to my viewpoint, term of political Islam is not appropriate. While discussing something such as democracy and relate it to Islam is not right. Islam has its own nature, when democracy portrays the same nature them there are chances that we relate democracy to Islam so it is not suitable. So once we segment Islam on the basis of politics then it is as Political Islam".

Political efforts were there at the time of Prophet Mohammad (P.B.U.H.) due to which *Riasat-e-Madinah* (state of Madinah) came into existence. All these efforts were just in case of proliferation of Islam. Religion provides strong guidance and gives principles for running a state. Much of the Western literature was of the view that Islam was established as a political entity. From the accounts of different eminent scholars, Islam cannot be separated or put into categories based upon different conceptions like politics, economics etc. It seems that there is a friction between different opinions of Muslim scholars and Western scholars. Theory of political Islam is being debated at large level but to put it a unified frame might be difficult as different subjectivities are involved in it. Yet political theory of Islam can be applied on the basis of principles given by Islam. Because, in different eras, political stance of Islam has been

misinterpreted, as it is evident from different accounts of scholars. Political version of Islam presented by Western thought is completely rejected by all participants. So from the viewpoint of different school of thoughts, consensus is seemed to be developed in their opinions. Another aspect explained by Dr. Hammad Lakhwi was that Islamic scholars are available just to highlight and eradiate social evils so having little or no role in political aspect. It is evident when an Islamic scholar holds the rope of political aspect then there are high chances to implement true Islamic jurisprudence provided selected candidate fulfills all necessary requirements given by Islam.

One of the Egyptians scholars was also of the view that Islam cannot be subcategorized based upon political concepts. An important point, which he explained that up to seventies of past century, Islam was alien to majority of the people in the region of Egypt. Later on, people were turned towards basics of Islam. These arguments manifest the awareness level regarding religion and on the other side movements regarding Islamic laws implementation were on surge. so it can be further explained that the more the knowledge of religion people have, there are high chances of indulgence of people in true effort of Islamic laws implementation provided that intentions are to be pure behind this. This is manifested in history as well because true leaders of Islamic movements have preached these teachings to their masses whether it the case of Iran revolution, or 9/11 incident.

"To me, Pakistan is one of those countries in which Jamaat-e-Islami is considered to be in mainstream movement although they are not much successful in political scenario. In Libya, we see Ikhwan ul Muslimun which has been in mainstream movements. Likewise, in Turkey, Malaysia, Tunis all these have top leadership in this perspective" Asif Luqman Q

When wrong version of Islam was presented by anti-Islamic factors, scholars had really defended this owing to which political Islamic theory has seen diversion in right direction yet bifurcation on political aspect basis is rejected by all participants. After the emergence of Islam in political sense, the political Islam theory can be framed by highlighting the true aspects of political matters in Islam. The concept of state need to be presented in true sense and term 'political Islam' is to be revisited so that concept of politics in true sense could be implicated.

Research Question 2

How can we categorize the perceptions of political Islam and its theoretical responses in the East and the West?

Understanding of perceptions of Political Islam is considered significant. As explained earlier that Political Islam in capacity of separate and distinct term has been rejected by eminent scholars. The reason for rejection has been elucidated and based upon those principles as highlighted in Islamic injunctions. Islam has certain rules regarding successive governance of state and politics. But perception of Political Islam which has been developed was occurred in world politics because of the exertions of Muslim groups in different countries. West has put some challenges against Political Islam and introduced their own understanding. It means conception of Political Islam in east was seen friction in sight of west. Many scholars including Javed Ahmad Ghamidi explains Islam in non-political way in order to ensure the Islamic dominance while challenging the political version of Islam presented by the Western scholars. In Western perspective, one perception is to associate extremism with political Islam in terms of Islamic Movements. In political efforts of Muslim, perceptions are not based upon any specific mindset because guidance is present in terms of scriptures like Qur'an and Hadith...

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Appendices

Appendix A

List of Scholars for in Depth, Semi-Structured/Open Ended Interviews

1. Maulana Zahid-ul-Rashidi,	Renowned scholar, Deobandi school of thought
2. Dr. Qibla Ayaz	Chairman, Islamic council of Ideology, Government of
	Pakistan
3. Dr. Hammad Lakhwi	Professor, Connected to Salfi School of thought
4. Javaid Ahmad Ghamdi	Renowned scholar, represents modern approach in
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8. Dr. Absar Ahmad	Chairman Tanzeem-e-Islami Pakistan
9. Allama Ameen Shaheedi	Renowned Scholar, Shia School of Thought
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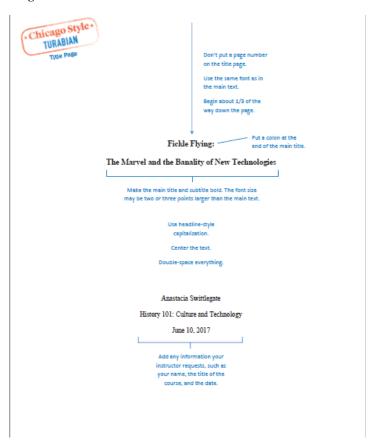
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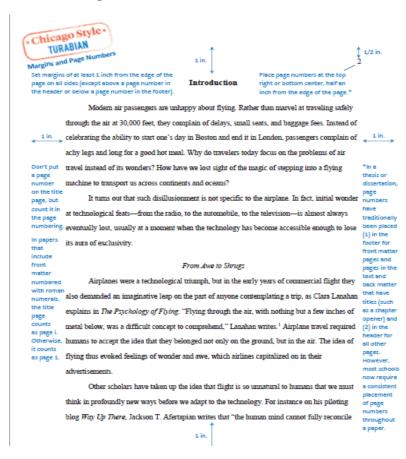
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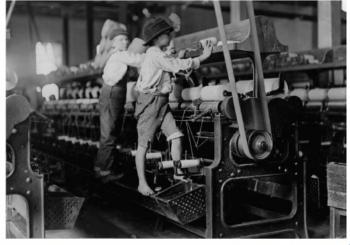
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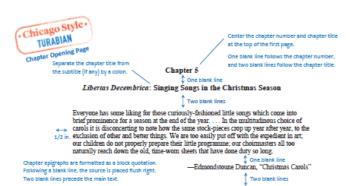
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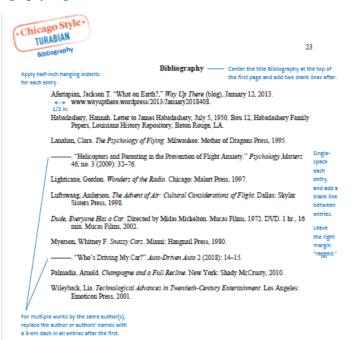
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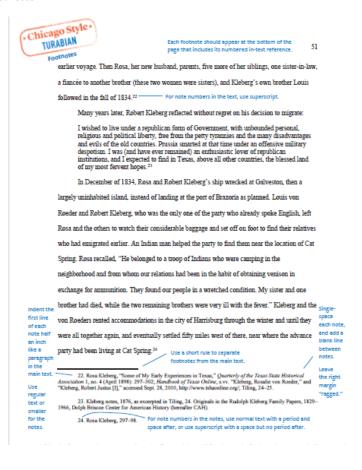
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