

Political Modernization

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Introduction

The political culture of people involving their norms, attitude, values, and orientations, and political institutions based on them change from one form to another either speedily by means of a revolution, or peacefully in a gradual and smooth manner, or by any means lying between the two extreme graduations. The essential point is that a study of change should be made in the context of many inter-related factors as industrializations, urbanization, technological development, education, commerce, cultural, and sociological development and communications network. The ultimate objective must be to construct a scheme that incorporates these factors in a comprehensive analysis of social change. Political modernization, like political development, is a term that can not be defined precisely though it can be understood, as Claude E. Welch, Jr. Suggests, as “the process based upon the rational utilization of resources and aimed at the establishment of a modern society,” or as Benjamin Schwartz describes it as “the systematic sustained and powerful application of human energies to the rational control of man’s physical and social environment for various human purposes.” This term stands for the transformation of the political

