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With an objective of finding the role of landed aristocracy from party manifesto to oath taking in the National Assembly, the fifth paper addresses such questions through a mixed method of primary and secondary data analysis; revealing that notwithstanding the trust that international observers placed in the elections of 1970, the major power players turned them into a controversial political enterprise.

The findings of the sixth article is an attempt to suggest that the present wave of extremism can be dampered by providing equal opportunities and basic necessities of life to the masses and also by eliminating gender discrimination.

Using the trauma theory related works of Cathy Caruth and Dominic LaCapra, the seventh article analyses the selected Afghan narratives in English to see how cultural productions from this war-torn country are still haunted by the flashbacks of traumatic experience; they encountered during the Soviet invasion from 1979 to 1989.

The last, but not the least, article explores the intersection of the formal political structures and the local cultures of Gilgit-Baltistan presenting socio-historical analysis of the politics of the region.

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