

Public Interest in Imam Khomeini's political thought

Author: Ghorban Ali Ghorbanzadeh Savar

Year: 1379

University: Faculty of Law and Political Science, University of Tehran

Abstract:

The main topic and question of the current of the current dissertation is what are theoretical foundations of public interest from viewpoint of Imam Khomeini's political thought.

To answer this question, the research includes an introduction to the discussion regarding the principles of public interest

The definition of public interest was extracted and defined based on his works.

The following topics of public interest securing rights, consolidating values and realizing the goals of human society in different situations and conditions have been discussed in details.

A range of measures, decisions and actions that were closely associated with these cases are considered as examples of public interest.

Foundations and principles and Imam Khomeini's political thought on the Public Interest has been divided and classified into two general categories i.e. general and specific principles.

The general principles and context of the public interest are an entrance to his thought the specific principles are the pillars of his ideals

It is worthy to mention that the general principles in this regard include his view of knowledge, existence, man, society, beauty, and ethics and politics.

This is while complementary epistemology is based on sense, intellect, heart and revelation.

Imam views the universe with different angles and perspectives such as soul, nature and the supernatural, the world and the hereafter, and the creator and the creature;

He considers free will, inclination to good and avoidance of evil, self-love and desire for the collective to be among the innate qualities of man;

In such a way the society is viewed from a humanistic point of view with broader and more complex stages.

Imam considers morality to play a crucial role in individual and collective human life from the aspects of intellectual goodness and ugliness

In the same way, public participation in determining the right to self-determination of people is vital and necessary.

Therefore, politics is considered a permanent and universal issue, and

The topics such as right, value, purpose, position, and requirements of society, and rightest, value orientation, teleology, and circumstances are the four pillars of the public interest from perspectives of his political ideals

The divine sovereignty and human caliphate has been two central values:

The divine monotheism and human dignity are two final ends:

The proximity to God and human perfection are two other two situations:

In this research, various aspects of Imam Khomeini's ideals regarding the public interest are based on general and special principles of Imam Khomeini's has been analyzed and discussed

Key words: *Imam Khomeini thought and ideals, expediency, political thought*