Two-Days Interactive Workshop on Contracts, Claims & Disputes

From Contract Preparation to Hassle free Contract Closure
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Religious and Ethical Dimensions of Contracts
Purpose

- W R people, not programmed devices
- Don’t just have career or academic goals
- Set goals for a balanced and successful life

Stay balanced n have successful life

- Balanced means
  ensuring your health,
  relationships,
  mental peace are all in good order.

- Successful life
  It differs from person to person
Are ethical codes necessary for professional bodies?

- Why???
It focuses on

- Responsibility
- Respect
- Fairness
- Honesty

Code of Ethics (by PEC)

Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC)

It mentions 11 Quranic Verses

(4:58, 11:85, 5:8, 1,2:188, 3:70, 49:12, 17:36, 3:103, 42:38) with translation
Contracts in the Qur’an

- The word *Aqd* is used in Arabic for contract.
- This same idea has been presented in similar other words/ways.

Ahd: 46 times in 13 different forms

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And fulfill (every) engagement, for (every) engagement will be enquired into (on the Day of Reckoning).

(17:34)

...and those who respect their trusts and covenants; and those who stand firm in their testimonies; and those who guard the sacredness of their worship; such will be the honoured ones in the Gardens of Bliss.

(70:32-35)
Motivation to fulfill promises in Hadith

"Some of the manners of a Mu'min are: when he talks he speaks nicely; when someone speaks he listens attentively; when he meets others he welcomes them with a smiling face; and when he promises he fulfills his promise."

—Rahel ibn Ahmad—

"There is no faith for the one who has no trust, and there is no religion for the one who does not fulfill his promises."

—Ahmad—
Reported by Abdullah Ibn Umar (May Allah be pleased with them) that the Prophet (pbuh) said:

“If you have four qualities, you should not worry about what you missed in life: To take care of the trust, to speak the truth, to have good manners, and to have modest and pure food.”

“Discharge the settlement to those who entrusted you, and don’t betray even the one who broke his promise.”

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Narrated by Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) that the Prophet (pbuh) said:

“Signs of a hypocrite are three: whenever he speaks he lies; whenever he promises, he breaks his promises; and whenever he has been entrusted, he betrays his trust; even if he fasts and prays and even if he claims he is a Muslim.”
Fundamentals of Social Life

- Religion
- Laws
- Moral values
- Power

How good/bad is debated

- Why should we adopt ethical values?
Technology is desirable as long as serves human values

- Must praise scientific research/the outcomes of technological innovation.
- But look who controls science/technology and what goals they are serving

Technology is desirable as long as serves human values

- Few irresponsible scientists, might make the world into a hell,
- Whereas no one, has ever been hurt from a gun in the hands of an angel.
Conclusion

- There is no fun in driving a car if your back hurts
- Shopping is not enjoyable if your mind is full of tension.
- We are temporary here in this world
- If we are lucky, we may last another 25–50 years (just at most 2500 weekends)
- Learn how to be more productive locally and globally
Ask yourselves how we are being perceived by others

and how do we want to be perceived in the world

Stay balanced, balance your life with material life but with purity of conscience
Thanks!

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