

Interest redressals and implications: A detailed analysis

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ABSTRACT: Capitalist system has created a great distortion in different fields of life; its basic cause is interest (Sood). In our society, there are a lot of people who think that interest is an essential element for living a life. Now these days, people are forming new departments on the basis of interest and such type of schemes are something interest system. Our Islamic System is totally destroyed. We forget the real meaning of RABBWA and what is system of trading. These days; we are having different misconceptions regarding interest. For ruining all evils which are created from poverty and from interest system; there should be enhancing zakat system in a proper way and people should live their lives in guidance of Islam; one day, our society will be formed like a paradise.

KEYWORDS: capitalism, interest, fields of life, Islamic system, rabbwa and zakat.

INTRODUCTION

Capitalist system has generated a great demolition in different pastures of life; its basic reason is interest. The roots of interest are got stuck in our economic system; people believe that interest is a indispensable component of our economic system and it is impossible to understand to work without interest in economical activities. Allah Almighty gave the order to the Muslim community that not to take interest and fight against the interest takers but today Muslim nation is strengthening the interest system and being established new department on the base on interest system in every economical schemes or activities.

There are creating a great discord in comprehending the rules of Islamic legislation about interest due to completely molder of pure Islamic prescript. The principals and ideologies of interest are being embedded in our society and become dominant in all fields of our life and our society is being formed in shape of capitalism today. When we started research or discussions about economic system then firstly we follow the rules, theories, ideologies and principles of capitalism; do not investigate under Islamic prescript about economics. Allah Almighty says in Quran.

“If you stop to take interest then the actual goods is for you.”

Our Holy Prophet (P.B.U.H) said that

“Inflation on loan is interest”

Scholars elaborated the definition of interest in light of verse and hadith that

“A loan which bestow on the condition that borrower will paid loan with inflation”

PROHIBITION OF INTEREST (IN LIGHT OF QURAN)

In Quran, there is used the word of “RIBA” for interest which literally means “to grow, to increase, to climb or to multiply”. The correspond meaning of “RIBA” is “to increase” or “to inflation”.

“He climbed on the peak of hill”

“He poured water on substance and it was distend”

“He grew up in the bossom of others”

“Boosted the things”

“So, increased his inflammation”

“He sat on the soar place from land”

RIBA: a lofty which is higher than the surface of the land. There are used different substances of derivation at many places in Quran which elucidate the meaning of RIBA is “to increase”, “to multiply” and “to grow”. For example, when we poured water on him then it flourished and the time came to full blooming.

“Allah Almighty destroys interest and gives increases for charity”

“The scum which came to top of the surface; the flood swept away”

“And he grasps them rigorously”

The elucidated meaning of RIBA is “to inflation of goods” and “to expansion of wealth” there is said in Quran that

“And give up what remains of interest..... And if you repent, you may have your own principal”

‘RIBA’ IN DAYS OF IGNORANCE

There are many forms of traditions about usage of RIBA in the days of ignorance.

- Qatada says that if a person sold a thing to other person and he could not pay the cost at the moratorium time then the person who sold the thing; granted him to more time for returning values but with additional cost.
- According to Mujahid, if a person borrowed and said please granted me the time to pay debt and I will pay more than the actual values.
- According to the research of Abu Bakar Hasas, if one person borrowed to other person in the days of illiteracy then fix the matter to pay supplementary cost at actual price.
- According to the probe of Imam Razi; the practices of RIBA in the days of ignorance was that if a person took debate at the moratorium time and receive more than the actual payment and if the halting time was over then the interest was doubled.

These forms of business were introduced in Arab and Arabs used the word of RIBA for it in their language and Allah Almighty prohibited in Quran to take Riba, to take interest.

DECLARATION OF WAR AGAINST ALLAH AND HIS PROPHET MUHAMMAD (P.B.U.H)

In Quran, there is prohibited to take RIBA or interest. There is an acute threat for interest takers in Quran which is not for other transgressor. Allah Almighty says in Quran

“O, you who have believed, fear Allah and gives up what remains of interest, if you should be believers. And if you do not, then be informed of a war from Allah and his messenger”
(2, 278-279)

IS CURRENT BANK INTEREST NOT FORBIDDEN?

There are discovered some elements in universe of Islam which claims that the interest of current banks is not that article which was forbid in Quran and verifies that people took loan to fulfill their personal needs in ancient time. For instance, one man have no any resource to fulfill the need of his food, in the condition of hunger, he took loan to afford one to accomplish the necessities of food for himself and his family and he gave debt at this condition that he would paid interest with actual cost. Obviously, it is brutality that a man is hunger and you are giving him the payment at the condition to back with interest. In fact, it was responsibility and there was need to manage the hunger of the poor at that time and it is cruelty that at one side you gave debt and at the other hand you will demand to take interest on the actual cost. For this type of interest; there is said in Quran that if you will not leave to take interest then you will be informed of a war from Allah and his messenger.

INTEREST ON COMMERCIAL LOAN

But there is concerned about the interest of banks today then borrowers are not poor and those people who have nothing to eat; banks do not provide them loan. Debt takers are capitalist and richer. Who do not take debt to eradicate hunger or to buy a pall but their purpose behind to take the loan from bank is “to promote their commerce and earn profit”.

At the other hand, the loan which capitalist take from bank is public’s account and public keep this account in bank as fidelity. So, the reason is that the bank’s demands to take some percent of interest on actual payment to borrower; that’s why it is not brutality. In ancient time, which interest was being taken from borrower, it was a big cruel; that’s why there is prohibited in Quran and declared it a big sin. So, today which interest is taken by bank; it is not a profane thing.

A loan, which is taken to fulfill the personal fundamental needs called morphological debt. And a debt which is taken to promote the business or trade and to earn profit called commercial loan. The scholars and researchers say about interest that there is forbid in Quran to take the morphological debt, and do not prohibit for take commercial loan.

REASONING TO JUSTIFY INTEREST

Those who are in favor of interest; use this verse of Quran to justify

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“But Allah has permitted trade and has forbidden interest” (2, 275)

According to this verse, there is abolished to take morphological debt which was practiced in the days of ignorance and to be used in the earliest stage of our Holy Prophet (P.B.U.H) and commercial loan was not practiced at that time. So, the concern of Quran is not with commercial loan, but its relation with morphological debt. Today, high qualified scholars justifying this reason and Egypt scholar is also saying that interest of banks are legitimate.

Sir Syed Ahmad Khan (India), Mufti Ubda Rashid Raza (Arab) and Dr. fazal-ul-Rahman (Pakistan) have persuaded the same ideology

DISADVANTAGES OF INTEREST (IN LIGHT OF QURAN AND HADITHS)

GREED, CUPIDITY, NIGGARDLY AS A COLLECTION OF BRUTALITY:

The reason behind to take interest of a greedy and a cupidity is to become rich and to get deep pockets and a niggardly (miser) is a person who don’t want to spend the money in good deeds. The basic reason is that Allah Almighty is against interest and gives the order of zakat and charity. Brutality is that hard worker are deprived from their actual wages due to high ratio of interest and here finish the concept of pity. Allah Almighty prohibited to take interest and said that

“Do not deal unjustly and you should not be dealt unjustly”

INGRATE TRANSGRESSOR

With prohibition of interest, Allah Almighty exposed the name of Ingrate Transgressor to interest takers. Which wealth was given to them by Allah Almighty, they should spend this wealth in good deeds and they should help the poor but they do not execute as. They ingratitude the blessing of Allah Almighty and adopt the behavior of brutality.

THE PUNISHMENT OF INTEREST TAKERS

Allah Almighty says in Sura Al-Imran.

“O believers, take no doubled and re-doubled interest (RIBA) and fear from God; so that you may prosper. Fear from fire which has been prepared for those who reject faith”

In this verse there is declared the punishment of hell for interest takers and the fire of hell have been prepared for unbelievers.

Our Holy Prophet (P.B.U.H) elaborated the condition of interest takers which you saw in Roya-e-Sadka. He said that

“I saw a canal which was filled with blood and one man was swimming in it and another man was standing at the bank of the canal to take stone in his hand in front of him whenever he tired and wanted to come out the canal, the other person threw a stone in his mouth and caused him to retreat back into his original position, then jibraeil told that ‘the person who is swimming in the canal of blood is an interest taker’.”

HUMILIATION IN WORLD

Allah Almighty wants his obedience from his devotees and said that

“O those who have believe, enter in Islam completely”

In another verse, there is allocate to Jews but it is necessary to know that the legislation of God is not changed. Jews are shown as the sign of fearsome and warning in Quran for all Muslim Community. If Muslim nations also adopt their ways, their punishment would be same as like Jews obtained. Also said that

“Do you believe in one part of the book and deny the other part? Then what is the recompense for those who do that among you accept disgrace in worldly life and on the day of judgement they will be sent back to the severest of punishment. And Allah is not unaware of what you do”

These instructions are for those people who use those orders of God which they feel beneficial for them and leave those commands which are not worthwhile for them and as like acts are closely associated with hypocrite.

OPPROBRIOUSNESS OF BOTH GIVER AND TAKER INTEREST

There is an equal Opprobriousness of both giver and taker interest in Hadiths. According to Hazrat Jabir Bin Abdullah, our Holy Prophet (P.B.U.H) said that

“Usuries, writers of interests and endorsementers, all they have castigate and also said that they are all transgressor”

EVOLUTION OF INTEREST IN MUSLIM SOCIETY

Our scholars feel proud that Muslims get progress in field of trading, and show the word that we can get sublimation in economic system without interest. But in this case, reality is different. In the era of Banu Abbas, when trading was being advanced and they felt the need of loan then they started to violate the order about interest of our Holy Prophet (P.B.U.H). At this time, why did scholar not stopped them? Rasheed Akhter wrote in this book “Tahzeeb-o-tamudun”. Shebani’s reference that in the time of Abbasi Kingdome; if someone gave the loan to capitalist entrepreneurs at the base of profitability and his concern was not with lose. According to Tanoji; there were come about the special group of extravagant and money lenders in third and fourth century who would be loan to others in same conditions.

ECONOMICAL DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT INTEREST

Here we should discuss this point that in recent time, can we obtain economical sublimation without interest? Or can there be constructed as like economical system which is enough for fulfilling the needs of the development state and a society.

MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT INTEREST

- As a rational and imitational state, interest is a substantial article which was prohibited by Allah Almighty and his messenger (P.B.U.H) to take each type of interest. Can we get progress without interest? And is this applicable? In other words, we can say that there is inevitable any error in the divinity of Allah Almighty. So, it is the sign of mistrust against the system and nature of Allah Almighty.
- Another misconception is that people don’t understand the problem of transition. Weather you blame the proposal unworkable in rapid change of tone.

It is unintentional to say that the cancellation of interest and charity organization are not applicable and those people can execute this effort but on two conditions.

- 1- Those who became deviant from ancient structure and accept this proposal that transition is necessary for life.
- 2- Secondly, there should be revolutionist mind without imitation.

There is need some step for optimization of society.

THE FIRST STEP IN WAY OF OPTIMIZATION

Those people who comprehend that firstly there should be approached the economical system without interest then interest system will be eliminated from society itself or should make strong laws against interest; but it is not possible to abolish the system of interest without constructing the values of pure economic system. It is believed that our society cannot disassociate with interest economical system. To get rid of interest economical system we should make strong legislations to take interest then we can get easily pure economical system.

SUGGESTIONS FOR OPTIMIZATION

According to Islam, there are many suggestions for optimizing our society and for getting pure economical system.

- According to Islamic economical system, interest is a big transgressor and prohibited in Islam.
- Government should make strong legislations and should arrest giver, taker and writer of interest by police or army. If this entrepreneur would not cease to normal punishments than to confiscate their property or the punishment of death penalty.
- Government should improve the framework of Zakat (charity) and it should be the liability of government that every one paid the zakat.
- There should execute socialization and seminars against interest economical system and its dilemma for optimization of society.

Through these steps, our society will be formed as like where people cooperate with others and having the sympathetic and generous nature.

IMPLEMENTATION OF ZAKAT

Molana Abu-al-kalam (1936) elaborated the importance and benefits of the implementation of zakat in light of Quran and hadiths in his book "Arkan-e-islam". Today, if our society will implement on these suggestions then there would get rid of interest economical system from our society.

"And establish prayer and give zakat"

Today, there are two problems that we accept the commands but don't perform according to their standard. Allah Almighty said in Quran.

"But, if they repent, establish prayer and give zakat, then they are your religious brothers"

RELIANCE AND ORBIT OF ISLAM

The terms: reliance and orbit of Islam are based on namaz (payer) and zakat (charity). Allah Almighty gives the order about zakat that to obtain zakat from every Muslim in every condition and divide this payment of zakat according the terms of Islam and do not care if all city would not be organized very well.

INTELLECTUAL RESOURCES AND COLLABORATIONS

Remember that we can't get affluence, dignity and respect from the intellectual resources. The essential element is to get rid of the ways of negligence which astray. We should act firmly on Islam for getting collaborations, respect, honor, dignity, wealth and blessings of Allah Almighty.

OBLIGATION AND FIDELITY OF ZAKAT

ENORMOUS TORMENTS AND IT'S OCCURRENCE

The order of Zakat is an obligatory and essential element of Islam. If we forsake and show negligence in paying of zakat then we will become the victim of enormous torments which occur essentially.

EUROPE AND IT'S AFFLICTIONS

Today, there is a conflict between haves and have not. Poverty and it's afflictions which agitated the foundation of economy. In result of it is the establishment of socialism and nhlzm. In Germany and America, there are collecting funds for poor by govt. and nations, cooperative societies and agricultural bank villages are being established for poor that they live a better life.

ISLAM AND IT'S DEALING WITH CORRUPT CONVENTION

When Islam was emerged, then firstly it found the treatment of corrupt convention and set the values and goals of Islam. Zakat was obligatory for all. The main goal of zakat (charity) was that no one will remain poor and primary needs of each person would be fulfilled.

REASON TO PROHIBITED INTEREST AND ORDER OF ZAKAT

At one side, Islam prohibited the interest economic system which was creating many problems such as murder for poor and destitute. Through the interest system, there was creating a capitalist society and rich was becoming more affluent and poor was becoming more destitute. At the other side, zakat was obligatory for all because all the poor and destitute will can be fulfill their primary needs and interest economical system was ruined automatically.

OBLIGATORY FORMATION AND ORGANIZATION OF ZAKAT

Today, government should paid attention in formation and organization of Zakat system and also keeps a bird eye view that in which works the payment of zakat and funds of charity are consumed.

THE ACTUAL CAUSE OF AFFLICTIONS

The actual cause of afflictions is that we forgot the real meaning of our religion. Our scholars and religious leaders use the verses of Quran just for their personal benefit. They are the man of words not of deeds which create many afflictions day by day in our society.

تن بے داغدار شد، پنبہ کجا کجا نہی

“My heart is full of blemishes, where from I found the cotton to clean it”

INITIAL RECOGNITION OF ISLAMIC LIFE

Initial recognition of Islamic life is from only two acts Namaz (Prayer) and Zakat (charity) and both acts are mentioned in Quran with each other.

THE PUNISHMENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE

Those people who refuse to give zakat then he will not be in Muslims: their punishment is murder in accordance of the companion of Holy Prophet (P.B.U.H). Hazrat Abu Bakar (R.A) said that

“I swear of God that I will do jihad against those people who refuse to give zakat and pay namaz (prayer).”

THE PURPOSE OF ZAKAT

Another feature is that there was not given the reason for zakat but also for all types of charity which has completely transited the nature of this matter.

“So, that it will not be perpetual distribution among the rich from among you (59: 7)”

The purpose of zakat is that the wealth is distributed in all over the society and there would not be creation of capitalist society.

“And those who hoard gold and silver and spend it not in the way of Allah Almighty- give them tidings of a painful punishment”

Our Holy Prophet (P.B.U.H) said about zakat

“To take wealth from riches and divide it in the poor”

THE SPIRIT OF QURAN AND DISTRIBUTION OF PROPERTY

According to Holy Quran, Allah Almighty doesn't want that society will be formed in capitalist system but he want that wealth would circulate in all over the society and it will not remain at one place. The main reason is that there is become the legislation to distribute of property in heirs. According to Islam, don't make as like laws that wealth will not remain only in hand of the member of one family.

WISDOM BEHIND THE PROHIBITION OF INTEREST

There is forbid the transaction of interest in Islam by Allah Almighty and said that

“Allah destroys interest and increase charity” (2, 276)

In those societies; the transaction of interest will be raised, where mostly people would be deprived from their rights and cannot fulfill their basic needs and those nations who will provoke the distribution of charities then all people lived a happy life and the evil of poverty would be ceased and it was the matter of transaction of interest. There is defined the punishment to take interest in Quran that

“Then be informed of a war (against you) from Allah and his messenger” (2,279)

Because: it was necessary for the wellness of society regard this matter.

DISBURSEMENT IN THE WAY OF ALLAH ALMIGHTY (INFAQ FI SABILILLAH)

And it is said by Allah Almighty in Sura Bakrah after giving the order of disbursement in the way of Allah that

“He gives wisdom to whom he wills and whoever has been given wisdom has certainly been given much good and more will remember expect those of understanding” (2, 269)

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

For devastating all evils which are created by poverty and from interest system, these should be enhancing zakat system in a proper way and people should live their lives in guidance of Islam and use our force against mollify and one day we will get success and our society will be formed like a paradise.

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