

Repeating mistakes

Business Recorder op-ed writer Shabir Ahmed in his latest contribution to the newspaper titled “When top management gets into the front office” has touched an issues of very high import. According to him, “the government swings from one extreme to the other. In certain cases it delegates, often excessively, and then forgets about it, letting the functionary make hay or a mess of it, or both. In other cases it centralizes powers at the top. Concentration of power is antithetical to good governance. It is fraught with the risk of rule of man weakening rule of law. In top-down management command substitutes leadership and ‘workarounds’ dominate rules, as happened with the appointment of Chairman FBR.”

That the PTI government has disappointed the masses on many fronts is a fact. It doesn’t know governance, nor does it want to learn the ropes. Its approach to governance issues has been found to be flawed and even dangerous. Unfortunately, however, prime minister Imran Khan and his team do not want to learn from the mistakes that they have made. Little do they know that the PTI government has to learn from its mistakes if it wants to avoid repeating them.

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