A t the history has proved that the best form of democracy by and through the people, it is important that the people who live within democratic societies must have an active role in the making, sustenance and development of democracy; this democracy is not possible without people, but it is not strong without vigilant and active voters who understand the demands and the challenges of democracy but also play an active part in the affairs of the state.  

Strong democracies have always had strong institutions. The institutions that are not run by the whims of the individuals but the ones that guarantee the collective objectives and wellbeing. The basic institutions that can ensure proper democracy are the ones that are part of public, legislature, executive and media. These institutions should ensure that the people who run and form the body of these institutions have the interest of the citizens or the group of individuals, or they can never support in sustaining democracy. At the individual level, the most important prerequisite is the fact that the people must change their behavior and attitude. A democratic behavior is largely based on the art of proper speaking and the patience to consider democracy supports the freedom of expression and allows everyone to say what they want to say. In democracy, we basically accept the sort of environment within which we can be opposed openly. Those people who support democracy fundamentally want that the issues should be solved through dialogue and reasoning not through violence. They want that the opposite reasons should be listened to sufficiently and the claims should always be reconsidered. Within democracy, as an essential element, we need to develop the preparation to accept that the truth may not be with us and it may not be clear. Democracy believes that their views are absolute and final and they do not have the patience to listen others. That is the basic reason that Taliban do not feel democracy. They believe that only their ideas and thoughts are correct, while all others have ‘false’ and ‘non-Islamic’ ideas and thoughts. It is very critical to understand this basic truth that the absolute truth has never been known by the people. Yes, certain aspects of a complete idea are true, and people have to come to the same. These aspects are present within different circles. Within the same circle, there is no truth among the people; within the different circles, the people consider the welfare of the people as its basic pillar. And, democracy strives to establish the set of circumstances that are suitable to sustain genuine welfare of the people.  

Though we have considerable strides towards democracy, yet there are many behavioral issues that we need to deal with. We have dishonesty in our intentions and extension in our actions. The difference in opinions and thoughts are dealt through intolerance and even violence. Mahatma Gandhi had said that intolerance is itself a form of violence. The people who believe that they are correct are the ones who are opinionated and intolerable. Our statements have taken the shape of threats. Some people have been busy talking to the opposition parties with an oppourtune stance and using the non-Muslims and infidels. The true spirit of democracy can only be linked to the Islamic and non-Muslims, the people that the true practice of it and are about ambitious. This is really unfortunate that at this instance of hope and great expectations, we are suffering from these problems, yet, we do not have to be ashamed. Acquiring a true and stable democracy is a difficult task and it is not possible to understand this basic truth that the world has been able to achieve their distinct positions only after many wars and battles.  

Thus, we have considerable strides towards democracy, otherwise, the dream of democracy may shatter and we will not be able to recreate it. Though the roles of government and the people are different in a democracy, yet most of the responsibilities go to those leaders and religious scholars who have great influence in forming opinions. The people who support democracy believe that different ideas and the value of democracy and the unity of the people make it possible for the same. Thus, the dream of a stable and well-developed democratic system can change to reality only when there is honest and dedicated efforts at both individual and institutional levels – efforts that are not aligned with the personal benefits but support the democratic principle and democratic values.