

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN

- ⦿ **Theocracy with some elements of democracy**
- ⦿ **Theocracy:** a state dominated by religious leaders, who rule on the grounds that they are the only interpreters of God's will and law. In Iran, theologians (or theocrats) control most important positions in the government.
- ⦿ **Elements of democracy:** Some of Iran's high officials (such as the president) are directly elected by the people.