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# **ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

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## **THE ELECTION RULES 2017**

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## CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

**1. Short title and commencement.**— (1) These Rules may be called the Election Rules, 2017.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

**2. Definitions.**— (1) In these Rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—

- (i) “Act” means the Elections Act, 2017;
- (ii) “continuing candidate” with reference to election to the Senate means any candidate not elected and not excluded from the poll at any given time;
- (iii) “delimitation committee” means the committee constituted or appointed by the Commission under the Rules for the purpose of delimitation of constituencies of an Assembly, or, as the case may be, a local government;
- (iv) “delimitation authority” means an authority appointed by the Commission for hearing and disposal of representations made in connection with delimitation of constituencies of local governments.
- (v) “exhausted paper” with reference to election to the Senate means a ballot paper on which no further preference is recorded for a continuing candidate:

Provided that a ballot paper shall also be deemed to have become exhausted whenever—

- (a) the name of two or more candidates, whether continuing or not, are marked with the same figure and are next in order of preference; or
- (b) the name of the candidate next in order of preference, whether continuing or not is marked—
  - (i) by a figure not following consecutively after some other figure on the ballot paper; or
  - (ii) by two or more figures;
- (vi) “first preference” with reference to election to the Senate means the figure 1 set opposite the name of a candidate, “second preference” means the figure 2 set opposite the name of a candidate, “third preference” means the figure 3 set opposite the name of a candidate, and so on;
- (vii) “form” means a form appended to these Rules and the Act and includes translation thereof into any language as may be approved by the Commission;
- (viii) “original vote” in relation to any candidate for election to the Senate means a vote derived from a ballot paper on which a first preference is recorded for such candidate;

- (ix) "Party Leader" means the head of a political party duly elected in accordance with the constitution of the political party and the provisions of the Act by whatever name designated;
- (x) "publish" with its grammatical variations, includes exhibition at a place accessible to the public;
- (xi) "schedule" means schedule appended to these Rules;
- (xii) "section" means a section of the Act;
- (xiii) "surplus" with reference to election to the Senate means the number by which the value of the votes, original and transferred, of any candidate exceeds the quota;
- (xiv) "transferred vote" in relation to any candidate for election to the Senate means a vote the value or the part of the value of which is credited to such candidate and which is derived from a ballot paper on which a second or a subsequent preference is recorded for such candidate; and
- (xv) "unexhausted ballot paper" with reference to election to the Senate means a ballot paper on which a further preference is recorded for a continuing candidate.

(2) The words and expressions used but not herein defined shall have the meanings as assigned to them in the Constitution and the Act.

## CHAPTER II ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

**3. Procedure of the Commission.**— (1) For the performance of its functions and duties under the Constitution and the Act, the Commission may hold meetings as and when it deems appropriate.

(2) Secretary to the Commission shall prepare an agenda of the meeting along with a working paper and submit it to the Commissioner for approval and shall place the same before the Commission on a date to be fixed by the Commissioner.

(3) The minutes of the meeting containing decisions of the Commission shall be communicated by the Secretary to all concerned for implementation.

(4) The Commission may require any of its members or any of its officers to supervise the implementation of a particular assignment or activity and to submit a compliance report in regard thereto.

(5) The Commission may review the progress of previous decisions in its subsequent meetings.

**4. Procedure relating to contempt of the Commission.**— (1) The Commission may take cognizance of its alleged contempt under section 10, either *suo moto* or on a petition filed by any person on account of willful disobedience of any order, instruction or direction of the Commission or a breach of undertaking submitted to the Commission or using intemperate language against the Commissioner, or the Commission or any of its members.

(2) A petition for contempt proceedings shall be duly registered by the office before presenting to the Commission.

(3) The petition shall briefly and clearly state all relevant facts, purported to be constituting contempt of the Commissioner, the Commission or any of its members and shall be supported by an affidavit of the petitioner, if any.

(4) Notice of the petition along with statement of allegations and affidavit, if any, shall be served on the person complained against hereinafter called "the respondent" and the notice shall require the respondent to appear in person and unless the Commission otherwise directs, he shall appear on each date of hearing and, if so required shall enter into recognizance with one or more sureties.

(5) Where the alleged contempt by any of office bearer or member of a political party enlisted under the Act consists of any of the grounds mentioned in sub-rule (1), the notice shall be served on the party leader of such political party and such of office bearers or members of the party who at the time of alleged contempt were responsible for such act.

(6) Where the Commission is satisfied by an affidavit or otherwise, that the respondent is or, as the case may be, respondents are avoiding service, it may direct issuance of bailable or non-bailable warrants for his or their arrest.

(7) Where the contempt consists of words or any act of visible sign which tends to prejudice a party to the proceeding before the Commission or tends to scandalize the Commissioner or any member of the Commission or otherwise tends to bring the Commissioner or a member of the Commission in relation to his office into hatred, ridicule or contempt, the matter shall in the first instance be placed before the Commissioner and such member as the Commissioner may nominate to consider the expediency or propriety of taking action in the matter.

(8) If the Commission on the basis of opinion expressed by the Commissioner or the member mentioned in sub-rule (7) decides that action should be taken in the matter, a notice of proceedings shall be issued to the Advocate General, Islamabad who shall in that event either conduct proceedings himself or depute an Additional Advocate General or a Deputy or Assistant Advocate General for the purpose.

(9) The respondent shall, on the first hearing, file a written reply in answer to the allegations against him and shall be afforded reasonable opportunity to adduce evidence in his defence.

(10) No oath shall be administered to the respondent unless he chooses to appear as his own witness.

(11) Notwithstanding anything contained in this rule, where the contempt is committed in the face of the Commission, Commissioner or a member of the Commission in Chambers, the Commission, the Commissioner or the member, as the case may be, may proceed forthwith to determine the guilt of the respondent and the procedure laid down in this rule shall be followed.

(12) If at any time during the pendency of the contempt proceedings or thereafter but before the execution of the sentence, the respondent tenders unqualified apology, the Commission may consider such apology and make such order as it may consider appropriate.

(13) The Commission may award sentence of imprisonment, fine or both as it may deem fit in the circumstances of each case.

(14) The warrant of arrest of any person, witness and commitment to jail in case of sentence of imprisonment or imprisonment in default of payment shall be in Form-1, Form-2, Form-3 and Form-4, respectively.

**5. Financial powers of the Commissioner.**— (1) The financial powers of the Commissioner contained in section 11 shall include powers:

- (a) for creation of posts;
- (b) to upgrade, downgrade or change the nomenclature of any post;
- (c) to sanction and incur expenditure on any item including any allowance from within approved budgetary allocation; and
- (d) to re-appropriate funds from one head of account to another head of account within approved budgetary allocation.

(2) The powers of the Commissioner contained in clause (c) in sub-rule (1) shall include the power to sanction and incur expenditure on account of remuneration, or, as the case may be, honoraria to be paid to:

- (a) the election officials appointed in connection with an election;
- (b) the enumeration staff engaged for the preparation or revision of electoral rolls;
- (c) officers and staff working under the Commissioner on account of conduct of an election, delimitation or other activities;
- (d) training experts engaged for imparting training to the officers and staff working under the Commissioner and the election officials appointed in connection with an election; and
- (e) such officers and officials belonging to other departments whose services are requisitioned for any activity carried out by the Commission.

**6. Measures for Trainings.**— (1) In pursuance of section 12, for trainings to be arranged for its own officers or election officials deputed or appointed in connection with an election, the Commission shall appoint a Committee to prepare or review the handbooks, manuals and other training material for such trainings, well before the start of the trainings, which shall be approved by the Commission or an officer authorized by it.

(2) The trainings for officers and staff of the Commission will be held in Federal Election Academy or at such other place or places as the Commissioner may decide.

(3) The training plan for election officials to be appointed or deputed in connection with election shall be prepared by the Training wing in consultation with Provincial Election Commissioners and shall be submitted to the Commission or to an officer authorized by it for its approval.

(4) The Commission may utilize services of its own officers or requisition services of trainers from any government for conduct of trainings mentioned in sub-rule (1) and arrange the trainings either itself or hire services of some other department or organization for this purpose on terms and conditions to be determined by it.

(5) The Commission may appoint a Training Coordinator for each district <sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*] who shall assist the District Election Commissioner <sup>2</sup>[\*\*\*] in arranging venues, providing

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logistics and training material and execution of trainings in the manner as may be determined by the Commission.

(6) The Commission or an officer authorized by it in this behalf may direct any public authority, educational or training institution to organize exclusive training, or include in their training programmes, sessions to promote dissemination of knowledge regarding electoral laws, procedures and best practices.

(7) The trainings to be imparted to District Returning Officer, Returning Officer and polling personnel shall be monitored in order to ensure attendance of trainees and assess effectiveness of such trainings and reports thereof shall be submitted to the Secretary to the Commission for perusal and necessary measures, if required.

### **CHAPTER III** **DELIMITATION OF CONSTITUENCIES**

#### **A. DELIMITATION OF CONSTITUENCIES OF ASSEMBLIES**

**7. Commission to delimit constituencies.**— After allocation of seats in the National Assembly under clause (5) of Article 51 to each Province <sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*] and the Federal Capital, the Commission shall carry out the delimitation of constituencies of general seats in an Assembly in accordance with section 19 and the procedure laid down in this Chapter, on the basis of population in accordance with the last preceding census officially published.

**8. Determination of quota.**— (1) The Commission shall, after allocation of seats referred to in rule 7, determine the average population (hereinafter referred to as “quota per seat”) of a constituency for each Province <sup>2</sup>[\*\*\*] and the Federal Capital by dividing total population thereof by general seats in the National Assembly allocated to a Province <sup>3</sup>[\*\*\*] or, as the case may be, the Federal Capital.

(2) The Commission shall determine and notify the share of a district or districts, <sup>4</sup>[\*\*\*] or, as the case may be, the Federal Capital by dividing total population thereof with the quota per seat of the National Assembly as determined under this rule:

Provided that a fraction of more than 0.5 may be counted as one seat and a fraction of less than 0.5 may be ignored:

Provided further that the Commission may deviate from the principle laid down in the first proviso in exceptional cases for reasons to be recorded.

(3) The Commission shall divide total population of a Province by the number of general seats in the Provincial Assembly to determine quota per seat in that Assembly.

(4) The Commission shall determine and notify the share of a district or districts by dividing total population thereof with the quota per seat of the Provincial Assembly concerned as determined under this rule:

Provided that a fraction of more than 0.5 shall be counted as one seat and a fraction of less than 0.5 may be ignored:

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Provided further that the Commission may deviate from the principle laid down in the first proviso in exceptional cases for reasons to be recorded.

**9. Constitution of Delimitation Committees.**— (1) For delimitation of constituencies in accordance with the quota determined under rule 8, the Commission shall constitute, for each Province, a Delimitation Committee consisting of not less than three officers of the Commission, one of whom shall be designated as the Convener, which shall be responsible to prepare draft proposals for delimitation of constituencies of National Assembly and Provincial Assembly of the respective Province.

(2) A Delimitation Committee shall be constituted separately for the Federal Capital <sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*] which shall be responsible to prepare the draft proposals for delimitation of constituencies of the National Assembly from <sup>2</sup>[\*\*\*] the Federal Capital.

(3) The Commission shall convey the share of seats for each district or districts <sup>3</sup>[\*\*\*] in the National Assembly or, as the case may be, the share of seats for each district or districts in the Provincial Assembly, to the concerned Delimitation Committees constituted under sub-rule (1) and sub-rule (2) and shall also provide guidelines and timeframe for functioning of the Committee.

**10. Draft proposals for delimitation of constituencies.**— (1) A Delimitation Committee constituted under rule 9 shall, immediately after its constitution, proceed to obtain from Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, population data of last census officially published along with relevant maps showing therein census charges, census circles and census blocks along with description, relating to a Province, a district <sup>4</sup>[\*\*\*] or any other administrative or revenue unit as it may require.

(2) The Delimitation Committee shall also obtain district maps along with description, duly authenticated by Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, or, as the case may be, the district head of Revenue Department, prepared on a uniform scale as may be determined by the Commission indicating therein details of all administrative and revenue units in the district to the level of a Patwar Circle or, as the case may be, a Tapedar Circle, as well as prominent geographical and physical features, such as rivers and mountains and any other information as may be determined by the Commission or required by the Committee.

(3) In preparing draft proposals for delimitation of constituencies, the Delimitation Committee shall follow the principles of delimitation as laid down in section 20, procedure given in this Chapter and the guidelines provided by the Commission from time to time.

(4) The constituency for an Assembly shall not ordinarily extend to more than one district except in exceptional circumstances for reasons to be recorded by the Delimitation Committee:

Provided that a Patwar Circle or, as the case may be, a Tapedar Circle shall be the basic unit for delimitation and it shall not be broken under any circumstances:

Provided further that in case of urban areas census circle shall not be broken under any circumstances.

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(5) As far as possible, the delimitation of constituencies of an Assembly shall start from the Northern end of the district <sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*] and then proceed clock-wise in zigzag manner keeping in view that population among the constituencies of an Assembly shall remain as close as may be practicable to the quota:

Provided that the quota under this sub-rule shall be determined by dividing total population of the district <sup>2</sup>[\*\*\*] with number of seats allocated to that district <sup>3</sup>[\*\*\*]:

Provided further that the variation in population between two or more constituencies shall not ordinarily exceed ten percent and the Delimitation Committee shall record reasons if, in exceptional circumstances, the variation has to exceed the limit.

(6) For the purpose of preparation of draft proposals for delimitation, the Delimitation Committee may require assistance from any Federal, Provincial or, as the case may be, a Local Government Authority.

(7) After the draft proposals for delimitation of constituencies are finalized on Form-5, the Delimitation Committee shall send the same to the Commission, within the time specified and in the manner as may be determined by the Commission.

**11. Publication of preliminary proposals.**— (1) The Commission may, on receipt of Form-5 containing draft proposals of delimitation of constituencies of an Assembly, examine such proposals with reference to the principles of delimitation as laid down in section 20, the provisions of this Chapter and its guidelines and may make such alterations or modifications therein as it may deem necessary or may refer such proposals back to the Delimitation Committee concerned for re-consideration in the light of observations of the Commission and such Delimitation Committee after making modifications in the proposals as may be necessary shall re-submit the same to the Commission within fifteen days of its receipt.

(2) The Commission, after it is satisfied that draft proposals for delimitation conform to the provisions of the Act and these Rules, shall publish them as preliminary proposals for delimitation along with its report in the official gazette and cause to give wide publicity to the same as it may deem fit.

**12. Manner of making representation.**— (1) A voter in a constituency may, within a period of thirty days from the publication of the preliminary proposals, make a representation to the Commission in respect of the delimitation of constituencies of the district <sup>4</sup>[\*\*\*] wherein his vote is registered.

(2) A representation shall be in the form of a memorandum giving therein the grounds for such representation and the details of how the constituencies of an Assembly in the district <sup>5</sup>[\*\*\*] may be delimited if representation is accepted by the Commission.

(3) The representation shall be signed by the person making it and be presented either in person or by an agent duly authorized in writing.

(4) A representation referred to in sub-rule (1) shall be filed with the Secretary to the Commission and shall be accompanied by eight copies thereof along with duly marked equal number of relevant maps to be obtained from the Commission, Pakistan Bureau of Statistics or, the revenue department, as the case may be, on the scale approved by the

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Commission indicating therein all existing administrative and revenue units in the district<sup>1</sup> [\*\*\*]:

Provided that a person making representation may obtain copies of maps against payment of a fee of one thousand rupees per map from the Commission or an officer authorized by it:

Provided further that a person making representation shall rely only on the figures of population taken from the last census officially published.

(5) While submitting a representation under sub-rule (4), a district<sup>2</sup> [\*\*\*] as a whole shall be taken as minimal unit for the purpose of preparing maps wherein all constituencies of the district<sup>3</sup> [\*\*\*], including the constituency in respect whereof representation has been filed, shall be marked on the basis of suggestion made in the representation and highlighted to distinguish them from each other.

(6) The representations filed with the Secretary to the Commission shall be entered in a register in Form-6.

**13. Hearing and disposal of the representations by the Commission.**— The Commission, on receipt of representations, shall hear the same in such manner and within such time as it may deem fit:

Provided that the Commission may hold inquiries, if so required, and summon any record or witness as may be necessary for the disposal of a representation.

**14. Final list of constituencies.**— After making such amendments, alterations and modifications in the preliminary proposals of delimitation as may be required as a result of hearing of representations, the Commission shall publish, within a period of thirty days from the last date fixed for making representation, final lists of constituencies of an Assembly on Form-7 in the Official Gazette showing the areas included in each constituency of the National Assembly or, as the case may be, a Provincial Assembly.

**15. Re-description of constituencies.**— The Commission may re-describe a constituency in case of any change in administrative units, however, in doing so, the limit of the constituency shall remain the same.

## **B. DELIMITATION OF CONSTITUENCIES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

**16. Appointment of Delimitation Committee.**— (1) For the purpose of delimitation of local governments, the Commission shall appoint a delimitation committee for each district or a part thereof (hereinafter referred to as “the Committee” in this Chapter) from amongst the officers of the Commission, the federal government or the provincial government, autonomous bodies controlled by the federal or provincial governments as it may deem appropriate:

Provided that the convener of the committee shall be the District Election Commissioner<sup>4</sup> [\*\*\*] concerned as may be notified by the Commission.

(2) The Committee referred to in sub-rule (1) shall delimit the local governments, or, as the case may be, a ward within a local government, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, the applicable local government laws, the Rules and such other instructions as may be issued by the Commission from time to time.

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**17. Functions of the Committee.**— Subject to the principles of delimitation laid down in the Act, the Committee shall delimit the constituencies in accordance with the applicable local government laws, the Rules and such other instructions as may be issued by the Commission from time to time:

Provided that the constituencies so delimited for the local governments or, as the case may be, a ward within a local government shall as far as possible be equal in population among themselves and in case of variation in population difference shall not be more than ten percent and the census block shall not be broken:

Provided further that in case of variation exceeding ten per cent, the Committee shall record reasons thereof.

**18. Assistance to the Committee.**— (1) Subject to superintendence, direction and control of the Commission, the Committee may require any person or authority to perform such functions or render such assistance as may be required for the purposes of delimitation of constituencies under the Act, the applicable local government laws, the Rules and such other instructions as may be issued by the Commission from time to time.

(2) The Federal, or, as the case may be, the provincial government, subject to the direction of the Commission, shall provide the number of constituencies to be delimited, details of administrative and revenue units, census data and requisite maps prepared on the scale determined by the Commission and any other information as may be required for delimitation of constituencies.

**19. Preliminary list of constituencies.**— The Committee shall prepare preliminary lists of constituencies, on Form-8 and publish along with a preliminary report specifying the areas proposed to be included in each constituency within such period as may be determined by the Commission.

**20. Appointment of Delimitation Authority.**— The Commission may appoint as many delimitation authorities (hereinafter referred to as “the Authority” in this Chapter) as may be required for the hearing and disposal of objections filed under rule 21 from amongst its own officers or from subordinate judiciary in consultation with Chief Justice of the High Court concerned.

**21. Manner of filing objections before the Authority.**— (1) A voter in a constituency may make an objection to the Authority in respect of the preliminary delimitation of that constituency within fifteen days of the delimitation of constituencies by the Committee as mentioned in sub-section (3) of section 223.

(2) The objection shall be signed by the person making it and be presented either in person or through an agent duly authorized in writing.

(3) The Authority may hold inquiries, summon witnesses and record evidence as it may deem necessary and shall decide the objections within thirty days of delimitation of constituencies by the Committee as mentioned in sub-section (3) of section 223.

(4) The Authority shall as early as possible, but not later than seven days after last day fixed for disposal of objections communicate its decisions to the Committee.

(5) The Committee shall incorporate the decisions of the Authority received by it under sub-rule (4) in the preliminary list of the constituencies and shall prepare final list of constituencies on Form-9 and publish the same as may be directed by the Commission, and send a copy thereof to the Provincial Election Commissioner for publication in the official gazette.

**22. Register of objections.**— The Authority shall maintain the record of objections in Form-10.

**23. Supply of copies etc.**— Any person may obtain a copy of preliminary or final list of constituencies published under rule 19 and sub-rule (5) of rule 21, respectively, on payment of fee at the rate of rupees ten per page in the shape of court fee stamps.

**24. Alteration in the programme for delimitation.**—Notwithstanding anything contained in these Rules, the Commission may, at any time, alter, amend or recall the timelines given for carrying out different activities under this Chapter for reasons to be recorded.

## **CHAPTER IV ELECTORAL ROLLS**

**25. Form, language and arrangement of electoral roll.**— (1) The electoral roll for each electoral area shall be in Form-11.

(2) It shall be prepared in Urdu.

(3) The Commission may direct that the electoral roll of any electoral area specified by it shall, in addition to the national language, be prepared in the regional language of that area.

(4) Subject to any directions issued by the Commission, the names of the voters in the electoral roll of each electoral area or part thereof shall be numbered serially.

(5) For the use at the polling station, the electoral rolls shall be in Form-12 having photograph of the voters and a space for affixing of thumb impression by the voters.

**26. Appointment of enumerators or verifying officials etc.**—The Registration Officer shall, subject to the directions of the Commission, appoint such number of enumerators or, as the case may be, verifying officials and supervisors as may be necessary for carrying out the purposes of the Act and these Rules.

**27. Particulars of eligible voters.**— (1) The Registration Officer may, for the purpose of preparing electoral rolls or revising the existing electoral rolls of an electoral area, cause to be obtained a statement in Form-13 from persons residing at their temporary or permanent address as given in the National Identity Card issued by the National Database and Registration Authority.

(2) Every statement referred to in sub-rule (1) shall be signed by, or bear the thumb impression of, the head of the household or of any other member thereof who is eligible to be enrolled in the electoral roll:

Provided that the statement shall bear the thumb impression of the head of the household or of any aforesaid member of the family thereof in addition to signature.

(3) Every statement shall contain a certificate from the enumerator or, as the case may be, verifying official to the effect that the statement under sub-rule (1) was obtained after a personal visit to the house and also a certificate by the supervisor to the effect that the entries therein were verified or corrected in each statement after a house-to-house visit.

(4) The draft electoral roll or the list of additions to, deletions from and corrections of, the electoral roll for the time being in force for the purposes of revision shall not be published until the entries in the draft roll or the roll under revision have been verified to

the extent of at least ten per cent by a house-to-house visit by the Assistant Registration Officer concerned.

**28. Enrolment of persons holding certain offices.**— (1) Any person referred to in sub-section (2) or sub-section (3) of section 27 may, before such date as may be fixed by the Commission, make an application in Form-14 for his or her enrolment to the Registration Officer of the electoral area in which he or she is residing for being in the service of Pakistan.

(2) If the Registration Officer is satisfied that the person making the application under sub-rule (1) is entitled to do so, he shall enroll as voter such person and his or her spouse and such of his or her children as ordinarily reside with him or her in the electoral area as applied for by him or her.

**29. Preliminary publication in case of fresh preparation of electoral rolls.**— As soon as may be, after the preliminary electoral roll for an electoral area has been prepared, the Registration Officer shall publish it in Form-11 at his office and at such other place or places accessible to the public as the Commission may direct, together with a notice specifying the dates within which claims, objections or applications for correction shall be filed.

**30. Preliminary publication for periodical revision of rolls.**—For the purposes of periodical revision, the Registration Officer may publish the electoral roll for an electoral area for the time being in force at his office and at such other place or places accessible to the public as the Commission may direct along with a list of additions to, deletions from and corrections of the electoral roll, together with a notice specifying the dates within which claims and objections shall be filed:

Provided that the period of preliminary publication under this rule and rule 29 shall not be less than thirty days as required under section 28.

**31. Forms of claims, objections and application for correction.**— Every claim for inclusion of a name in the electoral roll shall be in Form-15, every objection to any entry therein shall be in Form-16 and every application for correction of any entry therein shall be in Form-17.

**32. Manner of lodging claims and objections.**— (1) A claim or objection shall be addressed to the Revising Authority of the electoral area concerned and shall either be presented to that Authority or to the Registration Officer of the electoral area or to such other officer as may be designated in that behalf by the Commission.

(2) A claim shall be signed by the person making it and shall be presented by the claimant himself or his immediate family member namely father, mother, spouse, son or daughter, as the case may be, who is authorized by him in writing in this behalf.

(3) No person shall prefer an objection to the inclusion of any name in the electoral roll unless his name appears in that electoral roll.

(4) The person claiming to be enrolled in the electoral roll of an electoral area or objecting to the inclusion of any name in the electoral roll may submit Form-15 or Form-16, as the case may be, along with such proof as he may like to add in support of his claim or objection.

(5) Where an objection is made to the inclusion of any person in the electoral roll, such objection shall contain all the particulars of that person in the electoral roll.

(6) If any particular in any entry in the electoral roll is not correct, the person to whom the entry relates may apply to the appropriate Revising Authority for the correction thereof in Form-17.

**33. Rejection of claims, objections and applications for correction.**— Any claim, objection or application for correction not made within the period mentioned in section 30 or in the manner specified in these Rules or made or presented by a person not entitled to make or present, shall be rejected.

**34. Register of claims, objections and application for corrections.**— (1) A register of claims and objections shall be maintained by every Revising Authority or officer to whom claims and objections may be presented under sub-rule (1) of rule 32.

(2) The Revising authority shall also maintain in the Register mentioned in sub-rule (1) a record of the applications for correction received by it.

(3) Except where a claim or objection or an application for correction is rejected under rule 33 or, being prima facie valid, is accepted under section 33 without further inquiry, the Revising Authority shall cause to be served—

- (a) in the case of a claim, a notice in Form-15 (Part-II) on the claimant or his family member authorized in this behalf;
- (b) in the case of an objection, a notice in Form-16 (Part II) on the objector and a notice in Form-16 (Part-III) on the person to whom the objection relates; and
- (c) in the case of an application for correction, a notice in Form-17 (Part-II) on the applicant.

**35. Service of notice.**—Every notice to be served on any person under rule 34 may be served either personally or by post under postal certificate or through courier service.

**36. Enquiry into claims and objections.**— (1) On the day fixed for the purpose, the Revising Authority shall hold a summary inquiry into each claim or objection or application for correction in respect of which it has issued notice under rule 34 and shall record its decision thereon.

(2) While hearing a claim or objection or deciding an application for correction, the Revising Authority may, besides the claimant or the person objecting to any entry or the applicant for correction, hear such other person as desires to be heard in connection with the claim or objection or the application for correction.

(3) The claimant or the person objecting to any entry or the applicant for correction or any other person who is heard under sub-rule (2) shall not be entitled to any adjournment:

Provided that the Revising Authority may, if it so desires, adjourn the case to any other date for reasons to be recorded.

(4) The Revising Authority shall, after considering any verbal or written objection preferred, decide an application made under section 30 or section 31, as the case may be, or an application made under section 32 by the Registration Officer.

(5) The Revising Authority shall bring to the notice of the Registration Officer for correction of any clerical, printing or other error which it discovers in the electoral roll.

(6) Before implementing the orders of the revising authority for deleting any entry of the person objected to, in the electoral roll, it shall be ensured that a person registered as a voter on permanent or temporary address according to the National Identity Card shall not be deleted and if the person objected to is registered as voter on other than the permanent or temporary address of the National Identity Card, the vote of that person shall be transferred according to his permanent address of National Identity Card.

**37. Final Publication.**—The Registration Officer shall, after making additions, deletions, modifications or corrections under section 34, publish in Form-11, the final electoral roll at his office and at such other place or places accessible to the public as the Commission may direct.

**38. Preparation of electoral roll afresh.**— (1) For the purposes of preparation of an electoral roll afresh under section 38, the procedure laid down for the preparation of electoral rolls shall be followed.

(2) An electoral roll as prepared afresh under sub-rule (1) shall, upon its final publication, be deemed to be the electoral roll for the electoral area concerned and shall come into force immediately on such publication.

**39. National Database and Registration Authority to transmit data.**— (1) The National Database and Registration Authority shall:

- (a) obtain option of the applicant where he wishes to be enrolled as voter in the electoral roll at his temporary or permanent address in the application for issuance of National Identity Card;
- (b) transmit data electronically of all fresh National Identity Cards issued by it along with the option expressed by the person concerned under clause (a) to the Commission in Form-18 during the first week of every month in respect of preceding month or as and when so required by the Commission.

(2) For the period under report as provided in sub-rule (1), the Authority shall also transmit to the Commission data relating to:

- (a) cancelled National Identity Cards referred to in sub-section (2) of section 25 on Form-19;
- (b) deceased persons referred to in sub-section (2) of section 25 on Form-19;
- (c) modified National Identity Cards referred to in sub-section (2) of section 25 on Form-20;
- (d) gender disaggregated data including data about persons with disabilities, transgender and religion, census block, district and province-wise;
- (e) such other information as may be required by the Commission.

**1[(2A) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force including its bye-laws, the National Database and Registration Authority shall transmit to the Commission the data mentioned in sub-rule (1) and sub-rule (2) free of charge:**

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<sup>1</sup> Inserted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.761(I)/ 2021 dated 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.



Provided that the National Database and Registration Authority may charge a mutually agreed upon fee from the Commission for assigning census block to the address of the applicant as per option obtained from him under section 25.]

(3) The Commission shall forward the data referred to in sub-rule (1) and sub-rule (2) to the Registration Officer concerned relating to:

- (a) fresh National Identity Cards;
- (b) cancelled National Identity Cards;
- (c) deceased voters; and
- (d) modified National Identity Cards.

(4) The Registration Officer on receipt of data under sub-rule (3) shall examine the same in the light of the provisions of section 37 and the guidelines, if any, conveyed to him by the Commission for each category of entry referred to therein and approve it, after making necessary verification where required for enrolment, deletion or correction, as the case may be.

(5) The Commission shall periodically provide, supplementary lists of electoral rolls separately containing details of additions, deletions and corrections, to each Registration Officer in respect of his district.

**40. Periodical revision or updation of electoral rolls.**— (1) For the purpose of revising and correcting the electoral rolls periodically, the Registration Officer shall, subject to such directions as the Commission may give in this behalf, prepare draft electoral roll for each electoral area including therein entries made by him under section 37 and names of new National Identity Card holders who had not been registered under section 37, removing therefrom the names of persons mentioned in clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 36 and correcting therein the entries or supplying any omission as mentioned in clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 36.

(2) The draft electoral roll prepared under sub-rule (1) shall be published in the manner as provided under rule 37 and shall be deemed to be the electoral roll for that electoral area, and the provisions of rules 26 to 36, so far as are applicable, shall apply to such electoral rolls:

Provided that where the Commission is satisfied that it is not feasible to follow the procedure laid down under sub-rule (1) and sub-rule (2), it may direct that the electoral roll shall be revised in such manner as it may deem fit for reasons to be recorded.

(3) When the draft electoral roll is prepared for an electoral area under this rule, it shall be sufficient to print only the list of amendments and it shall not be necessary to re-print the entire electoral roll:

Provided that the Commission may, if it thinks fit, direct that the entire roll for any electoral area after incorporating the amendments shall be printed as a single electoral roll.

**41. Amendment of electoral roll.**— (1) When an electoral roll has been amended under section 37 by the Registration Officer for enrolment, deletion or correction of any entry on Form-21, Form-22 or Form-23, respectively, the corresponding amendment shall be made by the Registration Officer in master copy of the electoral roll in his custody as well as in the database of the electoral roll.

(2) Every amendment made under this rule shall be signed by the Registration Officer and the electoral roll in which such amendment is made shall thereupon be deemed to have been amended accordingly.

(3) Where, at any time, any clerical, printing or other error in an entry in an electoral roll for the time being in force comes to the notice of the Registration Officer, he may, on an application of the person concerned or of his own motion, after giving notice to the person to whom the entry relates, correct such error in the master copy as well as in the database of the electoral roll.

**42. No revision, correction or transfer after constituency called upon to elect.**— “The cut-off date” referred to in section 39 shall be applicable to the election of an Assembly or a local government and the proceedings in respect of election to the Senate shall have no effect whatsoever on the operation of the electoral rolls of any electoral area.

**43. Information regarding deaths.**— The person in-charge of the register of births and deaths in a local government or, as the case may be, the other authority mentioned in section 43 shall communicate information regarding deaths to the Registration Officer concerned within 15 days after the end of each quarter or as directed by the Commission.

**44. Receiving of forms in bulk.**— (1) The Registration Officer, Assistant Registration Officer, a Revising Authority, or, as the case may be, a display center incharge shall not in any case receive the Forms for addition, deletion or correction in bulk from any individual or a political party.

(2) The Forms shall be submitted only by the applicant himself or immediate family member namely his father, mother, spouse, son or daughter along with copy of his or her National Identity Card.

**45. Custody and preservation of the electoral rolls.**— (1) After the electoral roll for an electoral area has been finally published, the following papers shall be kept in the office of the Registration Officer and at such place or places as the Commission may direct for a period of one year unless their retention for a longer period is ordered by the Commission, namely—

- (a) one copy of draft electoral rolls published under rule 27 and rule 40;
- (b) one copy of preliminary electoral rolls published under rule 29 or 30;
- (c) statements made under sub-rule (1) of rule 27;
- (d) applications made under sub-rule (1) of rule 28;
- (e) claims and objections to the draft electoral rolls and applications for correction of any particulars in the roll;
- (f) decisions of the Revising Authority;
- (g) applications made by the Registration Officer under section 32; and
- (h) one master copy of the electoral rolls finally published under rule 37 and one additional copy thereof for day to day use.

(2) Copies of the electoral rolls published under rule 37 for any electoral area in excess of the number required for preservation under sub-rule (1) shall be deposited in such place as the Commission may direct and the copies of the electoral roll so deposited shall be available for sale to any person making an application to that effect at the rate of two rupees per page of the printed electoral roll in addition to bearing the expenditure to be incurred on the photocopies of the electoral roll:



(3) A candidate or an election agent shall have the right to obtain hard as well as searchable soft copy of the final electoral roll with photographs of the voters in accordance with section 79:

Provided that the hard copy of the electoral rolls mentioned in this sub-rule shall be provided on payment of five rupees per page in addition to bearing the expenditure to be incurred on the photocopies of the electoral roll:

Provided further that the searchable soft copy of such electoral rolls shall be provided on payment of ten rupees per page.

(4) The candidate, or, as the case may be, the election agent, who apply for provision of soft copy of the final electoral rolls with photographs of voters under sub-rule (3), shall, along with his application, submit to the Registration Officer an undertaking on Form-24 stating therein that he will neither breach the security or integrity of the information or data of electoral roll, nor misuse, abuse, publish or communicate, the information or the data of the electoral rolls contained in the soft copy he is applying for in any manner whatsoever:

Provided that in case such candidate or election agent is found to have contravened the provisions of the undertaking, that candidate, or, as the case may be, the election agent shall be proceeded against for committing offence of divulging information under section 195.

(5) The amount of sale proceeds under sub-rule (2) and sub-rule (3) shall be deposited at a branch of the National Bank of Pakistan under the head of account "C03-Miscellaneous Receipts, C038-Others, C03870-Others (Election Receipts)".

(6) Every person shall have the right to inspect during office hours the documents referred to in sub-rule (1) and to obtain attested copies thereof on payment of the following fees—

- (a) Ten rupees per page for inspection of a document; and
- (b) Ten rupees per page for supply of copy of a document:

Provided that every application for inspection or supply of copies of documents under this sub-rule shall be accompanied by court fee stamps of the requisite value.

(7) The papers referred to in sub-rule (1) and the copies of the rolls deposited under sub-rule (2) may be disposed of, when no longer needed, in such manner as the Commission may direct.

## **CHAPTER V**

### **CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS TO THE ASSEMBLIES**

**46. Appointment of District Returning Officer.**— The officer to be appointed by the Commission as District Returning Officer for each district or a specified area under section 50 may be in basic pay scale 18 or above:

Provided that the remaining period of service for such officer may be at least one year from the date of appointment as District Returning Officer.

**47. Appointment of Returning Officer and Assistant Returning Officer.**— (1) The officer to be appointed by the Commission as Returning Officer for a constituency under section 51 may be in basic pay scale 17 or above:

Provided that the remaining period of service for such officer may be at least one year from the date of appointment as Returning Officer.

(2) The officers to be appointed by the Commission as Assistant Returning Officers for a constituency under section 51 may be in basic pay scale 16 or above:

Provided that the remaining period of service for such officer may be at least six months from the date of appointment as Assistant Returning Officer.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in these Rules, an officer shall in no case be transferred after his appointment under rule 46 or this rule:

Provided that, in exceptional circumstances, the case for transfer of such officer shall be sent to the Commission and the Commission shall pass order thereon as it may deem appropriate.

**48. Appointment of Presiding Officers, Assistant Presiding Officers and Polling Officer.—**(1) For a simultaneous election to the National and Provincial Assembly, there shall be a Presiding Officer for each polling station and as far as possible, two Assistant Presiding Officers and a Polling Officer for each booth at a polling station:

Provided that in case of a bye-election to a single seat of national, or, as the case may be Provincial Assembly, there shall be one Assistant Presiding Officer for each booth at a polling station.

(2) The person to be appointed by the Returning Officer as Presiding Officer under section 53 may be in basic pay scale 16 and above:

Provided that a person whose remaining service is less than six months from the date of appointment may not be appointed as Presiding Officer.

(3) The person to be appointed as Assistant Presiding Officers under section 53 may be drawn from amongst officials working in BPS-11 and above whereas the Polling Officers shall be the officials working in BPS-5 and above:

Provided that a person whose remaining service is less than six months from the date of appointment may not be appointed as an Assistant Presiding Officer, or, as the case may be, a Polling Officer.

(4) The Returning Officer, for a constituency, shall earmark five percent reserved staff for each category namely Presiding Officer, Assistant Presiding Officer and Polling Officer.

(5) The Returning Officer shall prepare the list of polling staff namely Presiding Officers, Assistant Presiding Officers and Polling Officers to be appointed at the polling stations in the constituency on Form-25 and shall include therein the names of reserved staff earmarked under sub-rule (4) and submit the same to the District Returning Officer for approval thereof under sub-section (3) of section 53.

(6) After approval of the District Returning Officer under sub-rule (5), the Returning Officer shall issue Appointment Orders to the Presiding Officer, Assistant Presiding Officers and Polling Officers in respect of each polling station on Form-26.

**49. Oath by election officials.—**(1) An election official shall make an oath, after their appointments in accordance with section 56, in Form-27.

(2) The oath shall be administered in the following manner:

- (a) the Provincial Election Commissioner shall administer oath to the District Returning Officers of his province;
  - (b) the District Returning Officer, shall administer oath to each Returning Officer and Assistant Returning Officer in the district;
  - (c) the Returning Officer shall administer oath to each Presiding Officer under his jurisdiction;
  - (d) the Presiding Officer shall administer oath to each member of polling staff under his jurisdiction before the commencement of poll; and
  - (e) the head of the law enforcement agency or an officer authorized by him in this behalf will administer oath to each official of that agency deputed in connection with an election duty:
- (3) The Forms mentioned in sub-rule (1), shall be retained, after administration of oath, by the officer administering oath:

<sup>1</sup>[Provided that the forms relating to the oath administered to polling staff at the polling station shall be placed in packet-18 labelled "Miscellaneous Papers" by the Presiding Officer.]

**50. Polling stations.**— (1) Within one week after appointment of Returning Officers, the District Election Commissioner shall provide, a list of proposed polling stations referred to in sub-section (1) of section 59 for each constituency to the concerned Returning Officer in Form-28.

Provided that the District Election Commissioner shall also send a copy of list of proposed polling stations, provided to the Returning Officer under this sub-rule, to the Commission which shall be placed on the website of the Commission immediately upon receipt as required under sub-section (1) of section 59.

(2) The District Election Commissioner shall prepare the proposed list of polling stations under sub-rule (1) keeping in view the provisions contained in sub-section (2), sub-section (3), sub-section (10) and sub-section (11) of section 59.

(3) After receipt of Form-28 from District Election Commissioner under sub-rule (1), the Returning Officer shall proceed according to the relevant provisions of section 59 for preparation and publication of preliminary list of polling stations in Form-28.

(4) The District Returning Officer shall finalize the list of polling stations of each constituency in the district according to the relevant provisions of section 59 and publish the same in Form-28 in the official Gazette.

Provided that the District Returning Officer shall also send a copy of the list of polling stations so published to the Commission which shall be placed on the website of the Commission immediately upon receipt as required under sub-section (6) of section 59.

(5) As provided in sub-section (7) of section 59, the Commission shall determine the date or dates required for completion of the actions mentioned in section 59 for finalization of the list of polling stations:

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.650(I)/ 2018 dated 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018.

Provided that in case of a bye-election, the actions specified in sub-section (1), sub-section (4) and sub-section (6) of section 59 shall be completed within such time as the Commission may determine.

**51. Nomination paper.**— A nomination paper by which the proposal is made under section 60 for general seats shall be in the Form A appended to the Act.

**52. Deposit for nomination.**— (1) The Returning Officer shall maintain a register in Form-29 in which he shall enter the particulars of every cash deposit made to him under section 61 or of the bank draft or deposit receipt of the National Bank of Pakistan accompanying a nomination paper.

(2) Receipt of a cash deposit or of a bank draft, as the case may be, by the Returning Officer shall be acknowledged in Form-30 and the amount received in cash or through bank draft shall be deposited by him at a branch of the National Bank of Pakistan.

(3) The head of account for the purpose of deposit at a branch of the National Bank of Pakistan shall be “G-11-Special Deposit Investment, G-112-Other Deposit Accounts, G-11220-Deposits in connection with Elections”.

(4) The return of a deposit which is required to be refunded under sub-section (3) of section 61 shall be authorized under the seal and signature of the Returning Officer.

**53. Notice in respect of nominated candidates.**— The notice containing the particulars of the candidates to be prepared by the Returning Officer under sub-section (6) of section 60 shall be in Form-31.

**54. Appeal against acceptance or rejection of the nomination by the Returning Officer.** (1) An appeal under sub-section (1) of section 63 may be presented by a candidate or by a voter who has filed an objection to the nomination of a candidate or by a person authorized in this behalf in writing by the candidate or, as the case may be, such voter.

(2) The appeal shall be addressed to the Appellate Tribunal constituted for the constituency to which the nomination relates.

(3) The appeal shall be in the form of a memorandum which shall state the date of acceptance or rejection of the nomination and the grounds of appeal and shall be accompanied by a certified copy of the order accepting or rejecting the nomination.

(4) The memorandum of appeal shall be submitted in quadruplicate.

(5) If the appeal is allowed, the Appellate Tribunal shall immediately convey this fact to the Returning Officer concerned who shall revise the list of validly nominated candidates accordingly.

**55. List of validly nominated candidates.**— (1) The list of validly nominated candidates prepared under section 64 shall be drawn up in Form-32 soon after the scrutiny of the nomination papers.

(2) The Returning Officer shall publish a copy of the list of validly nominated candidates at some conspicuous place in his office.

(3) In the case of acceptance of an appeal filed under sub-rule (5) of rule 54, the Returning Officer shall revise the list of validly nominated candidates in accordance with the decision in the appeal and shall publish the list so revised at some conspicuous place in his office.

(4) A copy of the list referred to in sub-rule (1) and also a copy of the list as revised, if any, under sub-rule (3) shall be furnished by the Returning Officer to the District Election Commissioner, Provincial Election Commissioner concerned and to the Commission.

**56. List of contesting candidates.**— (1) The list of contesting candidates prepared under sub-section (1) of section 68 shall be drawn up in Form-33.

(2) The names on the list shall be entered in Urdu alphabetical order indicating against the name of each contesting candidate the symbol allocated to him.

(3) The Returning Officer shall publish the list of contesting candidates at some conspicuous place in his office and furnish a copy thereof to the District Election Commissioner, Provincial Election Commissioner concerned and to the Commission and also to each of the contesting candidates.

**57. Declaration of uncontested election.**— (1) The result of an uncontested election shall not be declared under sub-section (1) of section 75 unless the Returning Officer has ascertained in writing from the Commission that no appeal has been filed against the rejection, or, as the case may be, acceptance of any nomination paper.

(2) If there is only one validly nominated candidate or, after withdrawal under section 65 or retirement under section 72, there remains only one contesting candidate, the Returning officer shall prepare the return of uncontested election in Form-34 and shall furnish a copy thereof to the Commission.

**58. Appointment of polling agents.**—The number of polling agents appointed at a polling station by each contesting candidate under section 77 shall not exceed the number of booths set up at that polling station.

**59. Form of ballot paper.**— (1) Every ballot paper shall be in Form-35.

(2) Every ballot paper shall contain the number and name of the constituency to which the ballot paper relates.

(3) The names of the contesting candidates along with their corresponding symbols shall be arranged on the ballot paper in the same order as shown on the list of contesting candidates prepared under rule 56.

**60. Format and design of ballot papers.**— The format and design of a ballot paper shall be as may be determined by the Commission.

**61. Printing of ballot papers.**— (1) The Returning Officer shall determine the requirement for printing of ballot papers in respect of his constituency or constituencies based on the formula that the number of ballot papers per polling station shall be rounded off to the next hundred.

**Explanation:** Rounding off to the next hundred means that if the total strength of voters at a polling station is 1201 to 1299, the requirement of ballot papers for that polling station would be 1300.

(2) The Provincial Election Commissioner shall, with prior approval of the Commission, place order for printing of ballot papers for each constituency of his province with the designated printing press and send a copy thereof to the Commission.

**62. Shredding of extra ballot papers.**— No ballot paper shall be printed in addition to the requirement conveyed by the Provincial Election Commissioner under sub-rule (2) of rule 61 and any excess printing of the ballot papers, on any account, for a

constituency shall be destroyed by the printing press by shredding in the presence of officials of the Commission and security personnel as may be designated:

Provided that where extra ballot papers are destroyed under this rule, the printing press shall communicate to the Commission reasons for such extra printing along with a certificate signed by the officials of the Commission, the printing press and the security agency present to the effect that shredding has been carried out in their presence.

**63. Supply of ballot papers.**— The ballot papers to be supplied to the Returning Officer under section 80 shall be printed constituency-wise and shall be dispatched to the respective Returning Officer under proper security to be arranged by the District Returning Officer concerned in coordination with District Administration and Returning Officer of the respective constituency or constituencies.

**64. Distribution of ballot papers to the Presiding Officers.**— (1) At the time of distribution of ballot papers, the Returning Officer shall ensure that the packing invoice is prepared in Form-36 in respect of each polling station indicating therein the quantity & number inscribed on official code mark stamps and brass seal and details of ballot papers assigned to that polling station.

(2) The packing invoice referred to in sub-rule (1) shall be prepared in quadruplicate and a copy thereof shall be:

- (a) placed in the bag meant for ballot papers;
- (b) given to the Presiding Officer by hand against proper receipt;
- (c) sent to the respective District Election Commissioner;
- (d) retained by the Returning Officer for office record.

**65. Form of postal ballot.**— (1) The postal ballot shall be on Form-37.

(2) Every postal ballot paper shall have space for writing the number and name of the constituency to which the ballot paper relates.

**66. Issue of postal ballot papers.**— (1) The Returning Officer shall, as soon as practicable, send a postal ballot paper by post to each voter who is entitled to vote by postal ballot under section 93 and who has applied in accordance with sub-section (2) of that section and shall at the same time—

- (a) enter on the counterfoil number and name of the constituency;
  - (b) enter on the counterfoil of the ballot paper the name of the voter to whom the ballot paper is sent and his serial number on the electoral roll together with the name of the electoral area; and
  - (c) take necessary steps to ensure that the voter is not allowed to vote at a polling station and shall score out his name from the electoral rolls with red pen after issuance of postal ballot.
- (2) Along with the ballot paper, the Returning Officer shall send to the voter—
- (a) a declaration in Form-38;
  - (b) a cover in Form-39;
  - (c) a large cover addressed to himself in Form-40; and
  - (d) instructions for the guidance of the voter in Form-41.



(3) Every officer under whose care or through whom a postal ballot paper is sent shall ensure that the same is delivered to the addressee without delay.

(4) After the ballot papers have been issued to all the voters referred to in sub-rule (1), the Returning Officer shall seal up in a packet the counterfoils of all such ballot papers and record on the packet a brief description of its contents, the name of the constituency and the date on which he seals it.

**67. Recording of votes on postal ballot paper.**— (1) A voter who has received a postal ballot paper and desires to vote shall record his vote on the ballot paper by writing the name of the candidate of his choice within the blank space provided on the ballot paper:

Provided that where the names of two or more candidates are same, the voter shall also record the symbol of the candidate of his choice.

(2) In recording the vote, such voter shall, after complying with the instructions contained in Form-41 sent to him under clause (d) of sub-rule (2) of rule 66, put the ballot paper in the cover in Form-39.

(3) The voter shall sign the declaration in Form-38 in the presence of a Gazetted or a Commissioned Officer to whom he is personally known or to whose satisfaction he has been identified and he shall have his signature attested by such Officer.

**68. Assistance to illiterate or infirm voters casting vote by postal ballot.**— (1) If a voter is illiterate or is unable through physical infirmity to record his vote on a postal ballot paper and sign the declaration in Form-38, he shall be entitled to have his vote recorded and his declaration signed by any Gazetted or Commissioned Officer.

(2) Any such voter may take the ballot paper together with the declaration and the covers received by him to any Gazetted or Commissioned Officer and request such officer to record his vote and sign his declaration on his behalf.

(3) Such Gazetted or Commissioned Officer shall thereupon mark the ballot paper in accordance with the wishes of the voter in his presence and sign the declaration on behalf of the voter and complete the appropriate certificate contained in Form-38.

**69. Assistance to a voter with physical disability who cannot travel.**—A voter with physical disability as mentioned in clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 93, shall authorize one of his family members, namely father, mother, spouse, son or daughter, as the case may be, who is a voter registered in that electoral area, to get the declaration attested from a Gazetted or a Commissioned officer:

Provided that the authorization shall be accompanied with a copy of the National Identity Card of the voter bearing logo of disability issued by the National Database and Registration Authority.

**70. Re-issue of postal ballot paper.**— (1) When a postal ballot paper and other papers sent under rule 66 are for any reason returned undelivered, the Returning Officer may reissue them by post or deliver them or cause them to be delivered to the voter personally on a request being made by him.

(2) If any voter has inadvertently dealt with his ballot paper or any of the other papers sent to him under rule 66 in such a manner that they cannot conveniently be used, another ballot paper and such other papers shall be issued to him after he has returned the ballot paper and other papers and satisfied the Returning Officer of the inadvertence.

(3) The Returning Officer shall cancel the ballot paper and other papers so returned and keep them in a separate packet and also note the serial numbers of all such cancelled ballot papers on the packet.

**71. Return of postal ballot paper.**— (1) After a voter has recorded his vote and made his declaration under rule 67, or has his vote recorded and his declaration signed under rule 68, he shall return the ballot paper and his declaration to the Returning Officer in accordance with the instructions communicated to him in Form-41.

(2) If any cover containing a postal ballot paper is received by the Returning Officer after the expiry of the time fixed under sub-section (1) of section 95, he shall note thereon the date of its receipt and shall keep all such covers together in a separate packet.

**72. Statement to be signed by the contesting candidates, etc.**—The statement referred to in clause (b) of sub-section (4) of section 78 shall be in Form-42.

**73. Manner of marking the ballot paper.**— (1) The mark to be put under clause (b) of sub-section (7) of section 84 on the ballot paper, at any place within the space containing the name and symbol of the contesting candidate for whom the voter wishes to vote, shall be a mark containing nine squares on a rubber-stamp provided for the purpose by the Presiding Officer at the polling station and no other mark.

(2) No other marking aid or rubber-stamp except the rubber-stamp supplied for the purpose by the Presiding Officer under sub-rule (1) shall be used by the voter for marking his ballot paper.

**74. Manner of marking ballot paper if voter is incapacitated.**— (1) If a voter is totally blind or physically otherwise so incapacitated as to require the help of a companion, the Presiding Officer may allow him to be accompanied by a companion of his choice who is not less than eighteen years of age; and in case the disability is such that the voter cannot mark the ballot paper himself, the person accompanying the voter may mark the ballot paper indicated by the voter:

Provided that the person allowed to accompany the voter shall not himself be a candidate or an agent of a candidate.

(2) If the ballot paper is to be marked by the companion, the Presiding Officer shall make it clear to him that he must mark the ballot paper for the candidate of the voter's choice and that he must maintain the secrecy of voting by not divulging to any one the voter's choice of candidate.

(3) The Presiding Officer shall maintain a list of voters on whose behalf the ballot papers have been marked by their companions.

<sup>1</sup>[(4) In case a disabled voter is having no finger at all to receive a personal mark of indelible ink under clause (c) of sub-section (4) of section 84, the personal mark shall be applied on the backside of lobe of his right ear.]

**75. Manner of inserting a ballot paper.**—After the ballot paper has been marked by the voter or by the person allowed to mark a ballot paper under rule 74, the voter or such person shall fold the ballot paper in the screened off compartment so as to conceal his vote and insert it in the ballot box within the view of the Presiding Officer.

**76. Format of packets to be used at polling station.** — The format of the packets to be used by the Presiding Officer at the polling station under section 90 and to

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<sup>1</sup> Inserted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.



be endorsed by the Returning Officer under sub-section (2) of section 99 shall be in accordance with the Schedule-I.

**77. Tendered votes.**— (1) The Tendered Votes List referred to in sub-section (3) of section 85 shall be in Form-43 and the Presiding Officer shall, after the close of poll, put the same in packet-14 labeled 'Tendered Votes List'.

(2) The Presiding Officer shall, before issuing a ballot paper to a person referred to in sub-section (1) of section 85, obtain his signature and thumb impression on the form referred to in sub-rule (1).

(3) The Presiding Officer shall, after the voter has marked and folded the Tendered Ballot Paper, place it in the same condition in packet-4 labeled 'Tendered Ballot Papers' instead of being placed in the ballot box.

(4) The Presiding Officer shall put, <sup>1</sup>[in packet-14 labeled "Tendered Votes List"], the Tendered Votes List along with copies of the National Identity Cards and other documents, if any, produced by the voters as mentioned in sub-section (4) of section 85 and send it to the Returning Officer, who shall send the same, after consolidation of the results, to the Commission together with relevant original electoral roll and relevant original counterfoil bearing the thumb impressions of the voters:

Provided that the Returning Officer shall ensure that the photocopies of the original electoral rolls and counterfoils have been kept in his office record:

<sup>2</sup>[Provided further that, after their retrieval, the Returning Officer shall place the original electoral rolls and counterfoils in a tamper-evident bag to be labelled as "Documents related of Forensic Inquiry", seal it and deposit the same in the storage of the Commission, or, as the case may be, the Treasury or Sub-Treasury where the tamper-evident bags of the same constituency had been earlier deposited by him under sub-rule (1) of rule 90.]

**78. Challenged votes.**— (1) The Challenged Votes List referred to in sub-section (2) of section 86 shall be in Form-44 and the Presiding Officer shall, after the close of poll, put the same in packet-15 labeled 'Challenged Votes List'.

(2) The Presiding Officer shall, soon after the close of the poll, hand over against proper receipt such sum as has been deposited with him under sub-section (1) of section 86 to the Returning Officer, who shall deposit the same in a branch of National Bank of Pakistan against the head of account "C03-Miscellaneous Receipts, C038-Others, C03870-Others (Election Receipts)".

(3) The Presiding Officer shall, after the Challenged Ballot Paper has been marked and folded by the voter, place it in the same condition in packet-7 labeled "Challenged Ballot Papers", instead of being placed in the ballot box.

**79. Stray ballot papers.**— (1) If any ballot paper which has been issued to a voter has not been inserted by him into the ballot box but is found anywhere else in or near the polling station, it shall be cancelled and accounted for as 'Spoilt Ballot Paper'.

(2) The Presiding Officer shall put all Spoilt Ballot Papers referred to in sub-section (2) of section 87 together with the Spoilt Ballot Papers mentioned in sub-rule (1) in packet-10 labeled 'Spoilt Ballot Papers'.

<sup>1</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.650(I)/ 2018 dated 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.650(I)/ 2018 dated 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018.

**80. Count on close of poll.**— (1) The Presiding Officer shall, after taking out the ballot papers from the used ballot box or ballot boxes,—

- (a) separate the ballot papers which are unambiguously marked in favour of a contesting candidate from those which bear—
  - (i) no official mark and signature of the Presiding Officer; or
  - (ii) any writing or any mark other than the official mark, signature of the Presiding Officer and the prescribed mark made with the rubber-stamp supplied for the purpose or to which a piece of paper or any other object of any kind has been attached; or
  - (iii) no prescribed mark indicating the contesting candidate for whom the voter has voted; or
  - (iv) any mark from which it is not clear for whom the voter has voted, provided that a ballot paper shall be deemed to have been marked in favour of a candidate if the whole or more than half of the area of the prescribed mark appears clearly within the space containing the name and symbol of that candidate; and where the prescribed mark is divided equally between two such spaces, the ballot paper shall be deemed not to show clearly for whom the voter has voted.
- (b) count separately in respect of each contesting candidate in the alphabetical order of their names as appearing on the ballot paper, the ballot papers which are unambiguously marked in favour of that candidate and put each lot in a separate packet-1 labeled 'valid ballot papers' bearing the name and symbol of the contesting candidate to which it relates;
- (c) count and put in a separate packet-2 labeled 'ballot papers excluded from the count' the ballot papers mentioned in sub-clauses (i) to (iv) of clause (a);
- (d) open the packet-4 labeled 'Tendered Ballot Papers' and count the ballot papers unambiguously marked in favour of each candidate, excluding from the count the ballot papers suffering from any of the defects mentioned in sub-clauses (i) to (iv) of clause (a);
- (e) after the Tendered Ballot Papers have been so counted, the Presiding Officer shall put all such ballot papers as were taken out of the packet-4 labeled 'Tendered Ballot Papers' into:
  - (i) packet-5 labeled 'valid Tendered Ballot Papers included in the count' the Tendered Ballot Papers held to be valid and counted by the Presiding Officer;
  - (ii) packet-6 labeled 'Tendered Ballot Papers excluded from the count' the Tendered Ballot Papers excluded from the count by the Presiding Officer.

- (f) open the packet-7 labeled 'Challenged Ballot Papers' and count the ballot papers unambiguously marked in favour of each candidate, excluding from the count the ballot papers suffering from any of the defects mentioned in sub clauses (i) to (iv) of clause (a);
- (g) after the Challenged Ballot Papers have been so counted, the Presiding Officer shall put all such ballot papers as were taken out of the packet-7 labeled 'Challenged Ballot Papers' into:
  - (i) packet-8 labeled 'valid Challenged Ballot Papers included in the count' the Challenged Ballot Papers held to be valid and counted by the Presiding Officer;
  - (ii) packet-9 labeled 'Challenged Ballot Papers excluded from the count' the Challenged Ballot Papers excluded from the count by the Presiding Officer.
- (h) write on each packet the number of ballot papers put therein, and sign and seal each packet;
- (i) obtain on each packet the signature and seal of such of the contesting candidates or their election or polling agents as may desire to sign and seal it; and
- (j) enclose all packets-1 and packet-2 in a packet-3 labeled 'principal packet' and specify the number of packets enclosed in the principal packet.

(2) The Presiding Officer, after the close of poll, shall:

- (a) put the unissued ballot papers in packet-11 labeled 'unissued ballot papers';
- (b) put the counterfoils of used ballot papers in packet-12 labeled 'counterfoils of used ballot papers'; and
- (c) put marked copies of the electoral rolls in packet-13 labeled 'marked copies of the electoral rolls'.

<sup>1</sup>[(3) Before start of proceedings at the close of poll under this rule, the Presiding Officer shall require the polling agents belonging to same candidate who performed their duties at the polling booths of the polling station to nominate one polling agent from amongst them to witness the counting process:

Provided that only the polling agent so nominated in respect of each candidate shall be allowed to observe the counting process and he shall put his signature on the statements and the packets as and when asked by the presiding officer to do so.]

**81. Result of the Count to be prepared by the Presiding Officer.**— (1) The Result of the Count under sub-section (10) of section 90 shall be prepared in Form-45.

(2) The Presiding Officer shall put a copy of the Result of the Count in packet-16 labeled 'Result of the Count'.

**82. Statement about turnout of women voters.**— The Presiding Officer shall prepare gender segregated statement of voters on Form-45 (Result of the Count) as

<sup>1</sup> Inserted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

required under sub-section (1) and sub-section (2) of section 91, on the basis of male and female voters scored out from the electoral rolls in the relevant polling booth or booths.

**83. Ballot Paper Account to be prepared by the Presiding Officer.**—(1) The Ballot Paper Account referred to in sub-section (11) of section 90 shall be prepared in Form-46.

(2) The Presiding Officer shall put a copy of the Ballot Paper Account in packet-17 labeled 'Ballot Paper Account'.

**84. Announcement of provisional results.**— (1) The Returning Officer shall prepare the provisional consolidated statement of results of the count (excluding postal ballots) of the constituency, as required under section 92, in Form-47 on the basis of the results of the count received by him from Presiding Officers electronically under sub-section (2) of section 13 or personally whichever is earlier.

(2) The Returning Officer shall make sure that Result of the Count furnished by Presiding Officer is arithmetically error-free before accepting the same.

(3) In case, the Returning Officer finds any error in the Form, he shall ask the Presiding Officer to rectify the error and sign the same in token of the fact that the error has been corrected by the Presiding Officer himself:

Provided that in the event of correction of Form under this sub-rule, the Presiding Officer shall resend electronically the scanned copy of the corrected Form to the Commission:

Provided further that the Returning Officer shall keep copy of the said corrected Form and also place the same in the relevant packet.

(4) After preparing the provisional consolidated statement of results of the count under sub-rule (1), the Returning Officer shall announce the same in the presence of such of the candidates, their election agents or authorized observers as may be present and shall affix a copy of such results at a conspicuous place in his office for information of general public:

Provided that the Returning Officer shall forthwith communicate the scanned copy of the Form-47 containing provisional results to the Commission electronically on or before 02:00 am the day immediately following the polling day:

Provided further that if, for any reason, the results are incomplete at that time, the Returning Officer shall communicate to the Commission reasons thereof, listing the polling stations from which results are awaited, and send the complete provisional results as soon as the results are compiled.

**<sup>1</sup>[84A. Registration procedure for voting by Overseas Pakistanis.**—(1) Where the Commission decides in terms of sub-section (1) of section 94 to make arrangements for voting by Overseas Pakistanis living abroad, it shall hold such voting through internet (I-voting).

(2) Only those Overseas Pakistani voters shall be eligible for voting who possess:

- (a) valid National Identity Card for Overseas Pakistanis (NICOP);
- (b) valid Machine Readable passport (MRP); and
- (c) valid E-mail address.

<sup>1</sup> Inserted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.1166(I)/2018 dated 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.

(3) The Overseas Pakistani voter, desirous to cast his vote through I-voting from abroad, during registration time-period as may be fixed by the Commission, shall access the Overseas Voting System through the internet and shall create an account using following credentials:

- (a) Name;
- (b) Email Address;
- (c) Generating password of his choice;
- (d) Mobile Phone Number (optional); and
- (e) Country of Stay.

(4) A confirmation email of account so created shall be forwarded by the system to the applicant at his given email address and by clicking on the link therein the voter shall be prompted to provide the number of his Machine Readable Passport with its tracking Identity and NICOP number along with date of issuance thereof.

(5) Upon completion of proceedings under sub-rule (4), a verification process will be initiated wherein random questions regarding voter's identity information shall be asked by the System and upon correct reply, a message of "Successfully verified" shall be displayed by the system:

Provided that a confirmation email of account verification shall also be forwarded by the system to the applicant.

(6) In case the voter could not correctly reply first set of questions mentioned in sub-rule (5), the system will allow multiple attempts to correctly reply failing which that NICOP number shall be restricted for further attempts:

Provided that upon successful verification, a unique passcode shall be forwarded to the applicant by the system through email before the polling day:

Provided further that on receipt of list, from the Commission, in respect of Overseas Pakistani voters registered as such, the Returning Officer shall take necessary steps to make sure that no overseas voter so registered for overseas voting is allowed to cast his vote at the polling station in person.

**84B. Voting procedure for Overseas Pakistanis.**— On polling day, the voter shall log in to the overseas voting system using his username and password and shall avail the voting option from the system for casting his vote in respect of his National Assembly, or, as the case may be, Provincial Assembly Constituency by entering unique passcode:

Provided that by going through designated list of candidates of selected constituency, the voter shall cast his vote by selecting his desired candidate:

Provided further that upon successful submission of vote, a "confirmation" message shall be displayed on the screen.

**84C. Preparation of results in respect of Overseas voting.**—(1) After the polling hours are over, the Commission shall generate the Form-45 (Result of the Count) in respect of the constituency by using Reporting Portal of the Overseas Voting System and send the same to the Returning Officer concerned immediately through quickest means as are available for the purpose.

(2) On receipt of Form-45 (Result of the Count) from the Commission under sub-rule (1), the Returning Officer shall include the results contained therein in the consolidated results of the count as furnished by the presiding officers to be prepared by him under section 95 in such manner as the Commission may determine:

Provided that the Commission may direct for non-inclusion of the result in respect of the Overseas voting during consolidation of results under section 95, if in its opinion, the technical efficacy, secrecy and security of the voting has not been maintained during the said voting.]

**85. Consolidation of results.**— (1) The Returning Officer shall consolidate in Form-48 the results of the count furnished by the Presiding Officers.

(2) Before consolidating the results, the Returning Officer shall open the packet-2 containing the ballot papers excluded from the count by Presiding Officer and also the packet-6 and packet-9 containing, respectively, the Tendered Ballot Papers and Challenged Ballot Papers excluded from the count by the Presiding Officer and scrutinize each such ballot paper as was excluded from the count by the Presiding Officer.

(3) If the Returning Officer finds that any ballot paper excluded from the count by the Presiding Officer should not have been so excluded, he shall count it as a valid ballot paper cast in favour of the contesting candidate for whom it was cast:

Provided that in so doing the Returning Officer shall not mix up the ballot papers taken out from the packets labeled 'Tendered Ballot Papers' and 'Challenged Ballot Papers' but shall keep the entire lot of Tendered Ballot Papers and Challenged Ballot Papers excluded from the count by the Presiding Officer separately in their respective packet.

(4) The Returning Officer shall reject a ballot paper, hereinafter referred to as 'rejected ballot paper', recording thereon the fact of such rejection if it suffers from any of the defects mentioned in clause (c) of sub-section (4) of section 90.

(5) If any contesting candidate or election agent objects to the rejection of a ballot paper, the Returning Officer shall add to his endorsement the words 'rejection objected to'.

(6) In consolidating the results of the count, the Returning Officer shall record the number of valid ballot papers cast in favour of each contesting candidate as shown by the Presiding Officer in the Result of the Count, unless the figures thereof have undergone a change as a result of recount under sub-section (5) or sub-section (6) of section 95, in which case he shall record the figures as arrived at after the recount.

(7) Before recording the number of valid votes in the consolidated statement against the name of each contesting candidate, the number of ballot papers including the Tendered votes and Challenged votes, if any, treated by him as valid which were excluded from the count by the Presiding Officer shall be taken into account.

(8) The ballot papers rejected by the Returning Officer under sub-rule (4) shall be shown separately in the consolidated statement.

(9) The consolidated statement shall be so completed that the figures in respect of one polling station are completed before the incorporation of the figures in respect of any other.

(10) The Returning Officer shall deal with the postal ballot papers in the following manner namely:

- (a) no cover in Form-40 containing a postal ballot paper received by the Returning Officer after the expiry of the time fixed in that behalf shall be counted;

- (b) the Returning Officer shall close and seal in a separate packet all the packets referred to in sub-rule (2) of rule 71;
- (c) all other covers in Form-40 containing postal ballot papers shall then be opened one after another;
- (d) as each cover is opened, the Returning Officer shall scrutinize the declaration in Form-38 contained therein and shall reject the ballot paper and make an appropriate endorsement on the cover in Form-39 without opening the same—
  - (i) if the said declaration is not found in the cover in Form-40; or
  - (ii) if the said declaration is substantially defective; or
  - (iii) if the serial number of the ballot paper entered in the said declaration differs from such number endorsed on the cover in Form-39.
- (e) each cover so endorsed and the declaration received with it shall be replaced in the cover in Form-40; and all such covers in Form-40 shall be kept in a separate packet which shall be sealed and on which the following particulars shall be recorded, namely:
  - (i) the name of the constituency;
  - (ii) the date of counting; and
  - (iii) a brief description of its contents;
- (f) the Returning officer shall then place all the declarations in Form-38 which he has found to be in order in a separate packet which shall be sealed before any cover in Form-39 is opened and on which shall be recorded the particulars referred to in clause (e);
- (g) all covers in Form-39 containing postal ballot papers which have not already been dealt with under the foregoing provisions of this rule shall then be opened one after another and the Returning Officer shall scrutinize each ballot paper and decide the validity of the vote recorded thereby;
- (h) a postal ballot paper shall be liable to rejection on the grounds mentioned in clause (c) of sub-section (4) of section 90, reference in that sub-section to prescribed mark being construed as reference to writing of name of the candidate as mentioned in sub-rule (1) of rule 67;
- (i) the Returning Officer shall count all the valid votes given by postal ballot in favour of each contesting candidate and record the total thereof as well as the number of such valid votes polled in favour of each such candidate in the consolidated statement in Form-48; and
- (j) all valid postal ballot papers shall, after they have been counted, be placed in a separate packet which shall be sealed and on which shall be recorded—
  - (i) the name of the constituency;
  - (ii) the date of counting; and



(iii) a brief description of its contents.

**86. Procedure for recount.**— (1) For the purpose of recount under sub-section (5) and sub-section (6) of section 95, the Returning Officer shall:

- (a) serve a notice to the contesting candidates of date, time and place of recount;
- (b) open, in the presence of such contesting candidates or election agents as are present, the polling bag or bags relating to the polling station or polling stations for which request for recounting is made, and shall complete the recount of:
  - (i) all the valid ballot papers including valid Tendered and Challenged Ballot Papers;
  - (ii) all the ballot papers excluded from the count including Tendered and Challenged Ballot Papers; and
  - (iii) valid postal ballot papers, if required;

(2) The Returning Officer shall, after the recount, consolidate the result in accordance with the provisions of section 95 read with rule 85.

**87. Resealing of packets and statements by the Returning Officer.**— (1) The packets and the statements opened by the Returning Officer for the purpose of consolidation under section 95 shall be resealed, as required by section 96, immediately after the consolidation proceedings are over.

(2) All the packets received from the Presiding Officers and not opened, together with those opened and resealed by the Returning Officer, shall be sealed in a tamper-evident bag, provided to him for the purpose, for each polling station.

(3) The Returning Officer shall allow such of the contesting candidates or their election agents as may be present to sign and affix their seals to each of the packets resealed by the Returning Officer, as also the bag containing those packets.

**88. Final Consolidated Result.**— (1) The Final Consolidated Result required to be submitted to the Commission by the Returning Officer under sub-section (1) of section 98 shall be in Form-49.

(2) The consolidated statement prepared under sub-rule (1) of rule 85 by the Returning Officer together with the Final Consolidated Result referred to in sub-rule (1) shall be sent to the Commission immediately after the consolidation for declaration of the result and publication of the name of the returned candidate in the official Gazette.

**89. Documents to be retained by the Commission.**— (1) The endorsement under sub-section (2) of section 99 in respect of each packet shall be made in the space provided thereon for the purpose for the description of its contents, the date of the election to which the contents relate and the name and number of the constituency for which the election was held.

(2) The certificate required to be furnished by the Returning Officer to the Commission under sub-section (2) of section 99 regarding compliance of the provisions of sub-section (1) and sub-section (2) of section 99 shall be in Form-50.

**90. Depositing and withdrawal of polling bags.**— (1) The Returning Officer shall, after consolidation, deposit tamper-evident sealed bags of a constituency in a



storage of the Commission, or a treasury or a sub-treasury, with inventory on Form-51, in triplicate, one copy each for himself, the officer incharge of the storage and the Commission.

(2) If Returning Officer, or an officer authorized by the Commission, under the orders of the Commission, a Tribunal or a Court, as the case may be, withdraws tamper-evident sealed bag(s) of one or more polling stations of a constituency from the storage, or the treasury or sub-treasury, he shall also provide to the storage incharge, treasury officer or, as the case may be, sub-treasury officer a certificate to the effect that all tamper-evident sealed bags withdrawn therefrom were found in good condition:

Provided that if Returning Officer, or, as the case may be, an officer authorized by the Commission finds any or all bags tampered with, he shall immediately report the matter to the Commission for taking appropriate action under sub-section (4) and sub-section (5) of section 99.

**91. Public inspection of documents.**— (1) The documents retained by the Commission under section 99, except the ballot papers, shall be open to public inspection during office hours on payment of a fee at the rate of ten rupees per page of a document.

(2) Copies of, or extracts from the documents mentioned in sub-rule (1) shall be furnished upon an application made by any person on payment of fee at the rate of ten rupees per page.

(3) Every application for inspection of documents or supply of copies shall be accompanied by court fee stamps of the requisite value.

(4) The nomination form, accompanying declaration and statements referred to in section 60 and section 110 shall be open to inspection by the public, during office hours on payment of fee of rupees ten per page in the shape of court fee stamps.

(5) The certified copies of documents referred to in sub-rule (4) may be supplied to a person, making application in that behalf, on payment of fee of ten rupees per page in the shape of court fee stamps.

## **CHAPTER VI**

### **ELECTION TO RESERVED SEATS IN AN ASSEMBLY**

**92. Election to seats reserved for women and non-Muslims.**— (1) Election to the seats reserved for women and non-Muslims in the National Assembly and Provincial Assemblies shall be held on the basis of proportional representation system of political parties' lists of candidates in accordance with the provisions of these Rules and the Act.

(2) The Members to fill seats reserved for women in the National Assembly allocated to a Province shall be elected through proportional representation system of political parties' lists of candidates submitted to the Commission on the basis of total number of general seats won by each political party from the Province concerned in the National Assembly.

(3) The Members to fill seats reserved for women allocated to a Province shall be elected through proportional representation system of political parties' lists of candidates on the basis of total number of general seats won by each political party in the Provincial Assembly.

(4) The Members to fill seats reserved for non-Muslims in the National Assembly and the Provincial Assemblies shall be elected through proportional representation system

of political parties' lists of candidates on the basis of total number of general seats won by each political party in the National Assembly, or, as the case may be, in the Provincial Assembly.

(5) If, at any time, the party list is exhausted, the political party may submit a name for any vacancy which may occur thereafter and the provisions of sub-section (1) and sub-section (2) of section 104 shall, as nearly as possible, apply to fill such vacancy.

(6) For the purpose of this rule, the expression "total number of general seats won by political party" shall include the independent returned candidate or candidates who may duly join such political party within three days of the publication in the official Gazette of the names of the returned candidates:

Provided that if the independent candidate applies to the leader of a political party for joining his party then the leader of that political party will forthwith inform the Commission of joining of such candidate through a letter to be delivered to the Commission along with consent of that candidate duly attested by a Notary appointed under the Notaries Ordinance, 1961 (XIX of 1961) or an Oath Commissioner appointed under the Oaths Act, 1873 (X of 1873) or a Government servant in basic pay scale 17 and above:

Provided that the consent of the independent candidate so delivered to the Commission shall, in no circumstances, be open to recall or cancellation.

<sup>1</sup>[(7) The political parties' lists of candidates to be submitted under this rule to the Commission in connection with election to the reserved seats for women or non-Muslims in an assembly shall be on Form-66.]

**93. Nomination paper.**— <sup>2</sup>[(1)] A nomination paper by which the proposal is made under sub-section (3) of section 104 for seats reserved for women and non-Muslims shall be in the Form A appended to the Act.

<sup>3</sup>[(2) If nomination paper of a candidate for election to the seat reserved for women or non-Muslims is rejected, the sum deposited by that candidate under sub-section (1) of section 61 may be refunded to him or her when he or she so applies under sub-section (5) of section 61:

Provided that the deposit made by the candidate, whose nomination paper has been accepted by the Returning Officer, shall become non-refundable and shall be forfeited to the Federal Government.]

<sup>4</sup>[(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (2), if a political party fails to secure any general seat from National Assembly, or, as the case may be, a Provincial Assembly during General Election, the deposit made by a candidate for the seat reserved for women or non-Muslims on behalf of that political party, may be refunded to that candidate, if he or she so applies, under sub-section (5) of section 61.]

**94. Commission to declare seats won by each Political party.**— (1) The Commission shall, by notification in the official Gazette, declare the total number of reserved seats won by each political party in the National Assembly and the Provincial Assemblies respectively.

<sup>1</sup> Inserted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Numbered vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

<sup>3</sup> Inserted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

<sup>4</sup> Inserted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.589(I)/2019 dated 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.

(2) The per centum share of each political party shall be worked out with reference to total number of general seats in the National Assembly, or, as the case may be, the respective Provincial Assembly.

(3) In calculating the number of seats, the highest fraction shall be taken as one seat till the allocation of total reserved seats in the concerned Assembly is completed.

(4) The seats reserved for non-Muslims and women shall be divided among the political parties on the basis of their per centum share as worked out in sub-rule (2) and in order of priority of the names of candidates mentioned in the party list:

Provided that the list submitted by a political party shall not be subject to change or alteration, either in the order of priority or through addition of new names or subtraction of old names after expiry of the date of submission of nomination papers:

**Explanation.**— For the purpose of this rule, the expression “political party” means a political party to which a symbol has been allocated by the Commission.

**95. Procedure where a nominee of political party is elected on more than one general seats, etc.**— (1) If a contesting candidate, being nominee of a political party, has been elected on more than one general seats whether in the same or different Assemblies, all the seats won by him shall be counted for the purpose of calculation of general seats won by that party in the National or the Provincial Assembly, as the case may be.

(2) The seats won by independent candidates shall be excluded from the total number of general seats in the National Assembly or, as the case may be, the Provincial Assembly for the purpose of determination of share of each political party:

Provided that if an independent candidate duly joins a political party under sub-rule (6) of rule 92, he shall not be excluded for the purpose of calculation of total number of general seats of such political party.

**96. Declaration of result by the Commission.**— (1) The Commission shall calculate the total number of seats won by each political party separately in the National Assembly and each Provincial Assembly in the manner specified in rule 94 and shall then ascertain the proportion of each political party of the seats reserved for women and non-Muslims.

(2) On the basis of the calculations done under sub-rule (1), the Commission shall ascertain the number of seats to which each political party is entitled.

(3) The Commission shall then declare elected to the National Assembly, or, as the case may be, the Provincial Assembly such number of candidates belonging to each political party, in order of priority in which their names appear in the lists provided by a political party as is equal to the number of seats to which that party is entitled under sub-rule (2).

## **CHAPTER VII**

### **CONDUCT OF ELECTION TO THE SENATE**

**97. Nomination paper.**—A nomination paper by which a proposal is made under sub-section (2) of section 110 shall be in the Form A appended to the Act:

Provided that, in the case of a bye-election to fill two or more casual vacancies arising in any of the circumstances specified in section 127, this rule shall have effect as if it required the proposer and the seconder to specify, in the said Form, the name of the Member of the Senate whose vacancy is to be filled.

**98. Deposits for nomination.**— (1) The Returning Officer shall maintain a register in Form-29 in which he shall enter the particulars of every cash deposit made with him under section 111.

(2) Receipt of a cash deposit by the Returning Officer shall be acknowledged in Form-30 and the amount shall be deposited by him at a branch of National Bank of Pakistan, a Government Treasury or sub-Treasury.

(3) The head of account for the purpose of deposit at a branch of National Bank of Pakistan or at a Government Treasury or sub-Treasury shall be "C03-Miscellaneous Receipts, C038-Others, C03870-Others (Election Receipts)".

**99. Notice in respect of nominated candidates.**— The notice containing the particulars of the candidates to be prepared by the Returning Officer under sub-section (7) of section 110 shall be on Form-52.

**100. Appeal against rejection or acceptance of nomination paper by the Returning Officer.**— (1) An appeal under sub-section (1) of section 113 may be filed by a candidate or by a person authorized in writing by the candidate in this behalf, against the decision of the Returning Officer rejecting, or, as the case may be, accepting the nomination paper of a candidate.

(2) The appeal shall be addressed to the Appellate Tribunal constituted by the Commission for the province concerned, or, as the case may be, Federal Capital <sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*].

(3) An appeal shall be in the form of a memorandum which shall state the date of rejection or, as the case may be, acceptance of the nomination and the grounds of appeal and shall be accompanied by a certified copy of the order rejecting, or, as the case may be, accepting the nomination.

(4) The memorandum of appeal shall be accompanied by as many copies thereof as there are candidates at an election.

(5) The appeal shall be disposed of either summarily or after such inquiry as the Appellate Tribunal may consider necessary.

(6) If the appeal is allowed, the name of the appellant shall, by order of the Appellate Tribunal be entered, or, as the case may be, deleted by the Returning Officer in the list of validly nominated candidates.

**101. List of validly nominated candidates.**— (1) The list of validly nominated candidates prepared under section 114 shall be drawn up in Form-53 soon after the scrutiny.

(2) The Returning Officer shall publish a copy of the list of validly nominated candidates at some conspicuous place in his office.

(3) In the case of acceptance of an appeal filed under sub-section (1) of section 113, the Returning Officer shall revise the list of validly nominated candidates in accordance with the decision of the Appellate Tribunal and shall publish the list so revised at some conspicuous place in his office.

(4) A copy of the list referred to in sub-rule (1), and also a copy of the list as revised, if any, under sub-rule (3), shall be furnished to the Commission.

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<sup>1</sup> Omitted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

**102. List of contesting candidates.**— (1) The list of contesting candidates prepared under sub-section (4) of section 115 shall be drawn up in Form-54.

(2) The names on the list shall be entered in Urdu alphabetical order.

(3) The Returning Officer shall, on the day next following the withdrawal day, publish the list of contesting candidates at some conspicuous place in his office and furnish a copy thereof to the Commission and also to each of the contesting candidates.

**103. Retirement of contesting candidate.**— (1) A contesting candidate may, by notice in writing signed by him and delivered to the Returning Officer by 12 noon on the day immediately preceding the polling day, either in person or, by an agent authorized by him in writing in this behalf, retire from the election.

(2) A notice under sub-rule (1) shall, in no circumstances, be open to recall or cancellation.

(3) On receiving a notice of retirement under sub-rule (1), the Returning Officer shall, if he is satisfied that the signature on the notice is that of the candidate, cause a copy of the notice to be affixed at some conspicuous place in his office and thereupon such candidate shall cease to be a contesting candidate.

**104. Declaration of uncontested election.**— (1) The result of an uncontested election shall not be declared under sub-section (1) of section 118 unless the Returning Officer has ascertained in writing from the Appellate Tribunal that no appeal has been filed against the rejection or acceptance of any nomination paper or that, if an appeal has been filed, no nomination rejected by the Returning Officer has been accepted on such appeal.

(2) The Returning Officer shall draw the public notice, referred to in sub-section (1) of section 118, in Form-55 and shall furnish a copy thereof to the Commission.

**105. Form of ballot paper.**— (1) Every ballot paper shall be in such form as may be specified by the Commission and the names of the contesting candidates shall be written on it in Urdu.

(2) The names of contesting candidates shall be arranged on the ballot paper in the same order as shown on the list of contesting candidates prepared under rule 102.

(3) If two or more candidates bear the same name, they shall be distinguished by adding the names of their father.

**106. Agent.**— (1) A contesting candidate may, before the commencement of the poll, appoint not more than one agent, and shall give notice thereof in writing to the Returning Officer.

(2) The appointment of an agent under sub-rule (1) may at any time be revoked by the candidate and when it is so revoked or the agent dies, another person may be appointed by the candidate to be an agent and a notice of such appointment shall be given to the Returning Officer.

**107. Ballot boxes.**— (1) The ballot boxes shall be such as may be provided by the Commission.

(2) The Returning Officer shall ensure, in the presence of such of the contesting candidates or their agents as may be present, before the commencement of the poll that each box is empty and seal it in the balloting position and so place it within his sight as to be ready to receive the ballot papers.

**108. Admission to polling station.**— The Returning Officer shall, subject to such instructions as the Commission may give, so regulate the entry of voters to the polling station that only one voter is admitted at a time and exclude therefrom all other persons except:

- (a) any person on duty in connection with the election;
- (b) the contesting candidates, or one agent of each contesting candidate; or
- (c) such other person as may specifically be permitted by the Returning Officer or the Commission.

**109. Arrangements at the polling station.**— (1) There shall be displayed, outside the polling station, a copy of the list of contesting candidates.

(2) To enable the voters to mark their ballot papers in secret, the Returning Officer shall set up one or more voting booths screened from observation where voters shall record their votes.

(3) The Commission shall provide sufficient number of ballot boxes, copies of the lists of voters, ballot papers, stamps for marking the official mark, instruments for indicating preferences on the ballot papers and such other articles as may be necessary for facilitating the casting of votes.

**110. Maintenance of order at the polling station.**— (1) The Returning Officer shall keep order at the polling station and may remove or cause to be removed any person who misconducts himself at the polling station or fails to obey any lawful order of the Returning Officer.

(2) Any person removed under sub-rule (1) from the polling station shall not, without the permission of the Returning Officer, again enter the polling station during the day.

(3) The powers under this rule shall not be so exercised as to deprive a voter of an opportunity to cast his vote.

**111. Issue of identity cards.**— (1) Each voter shall carry with him an identity card issued to him by the Secretary of the Assembly of which he is a Member and shall, if so required, show the same to the Returning Officer before a ballot paper is issued to him.

(2) The Returning Officer shall, after satisfying himself about the identity of the voter and after ensuring that he has not already voted, put a tick mark against the name of the voter in the list of voters, enter the name of the voter on the counterfoil of the ballot paper and, after stamping the ballot paper on its back with the official mark and initialing it, hand it over to the voter.

(3) No ballot paper shall be issued to a voter unless it has been stamped with an official mark and initialed.

(4) No ballot paper shall be delivered to a voter unless he has put his signature on the counterfoil of the ballot paper in token of the receipt of the ballot paper.

**112. Voting procedure.**— (1) A voter, on receiving the ballot paper, shall forthwith:

- (a) proceed to the voting booth;
- (b) record his vote in accordance with rule 113;



- (c) fold the ballot paper so as to conceal his vote; and
  - (d) insert the ballot paper into the ballot box.
- (2) No voter shall be allowed to enter the voting booth when another voter is inside it.

(3) A voter shall vote without undue delay and shall leave the polling station immediately after he has inserted his ballot paper into the ballot box.

**113. Manner of recording vote for elections from Provinces and the Federal Capital.**—In giving his vote; a voter—

- (a) shall place on his ballot paper the figure 1 opposite the name of the candidate for whom he wishes to vote in the first instance; and
- (b) may, in addition, place on his ballot paper the figures 2, 3 and 4 and so on, in the order of his preference, opposite the names of the other candidates.

**Explanation.**—The figures referred to in this rule may be marked against, different names either in English or in Urdu but not in both and shall not be marked in words.

**114. Manner of marking ballot paper if voter is incapacitated.**— (1) If a voter is blind or is physically or otherwise so incapacitated as to require the help of a companion, the Returning Officer may allow him to be accompanied by a companion of his choice who is of not less than eighteen years of age; and, in case the disability is such that the voter cannot mark the ballot paper himself, the person accompanying the voter may mark the ballot paper as indicated by the voter:

Provided that the person allowed to accompany the voter shall not himself be a candidate or his agent.

(2) If the ballot paper is to be marked by the companion, the Returning Officer shall make it clear to him that he must mark the ballot paper for the candidate of the voter's choice and that he must not divulge to any one the voter's choice of candidate.

(3) The Returning Officer shall maintain a list of voters on whose behalf the ballot papers have been marked by their companions.

**115. Spoilt ballot papers.**— A voter who has inadvertently spoiled his ballot paper so that it cannot be used may, after satisfying the Returning Officer about the fact of inadvertence, return the ballot paper to the Returning Officer who shall issue another ballot paper after canceling the Spoilt Ballot Paper which shall be placed in a separate packet labeled "Spoilt Ballot Papers", noting the fact of cancellation on the counterfoil also.

**116. Stray ballot papers.**— If any ballot paper which has been issued to a voter has not been inserted by him into the ballot box but is found anywhere else, it shall be cancelled and accounted for as Spoilt Ballot Paper.

**117. Sealing of ballot box after poll.**— After the close of the poll, the Returning Officer shall, in the presence of such of the contesting candidates or the agents of such candidates as may be present, close the slit for insertion of ballot paper of each ballot box:

Provided that it shall not be necessary to seal the slit if the counting of votes is to begin immediately after the close of the poll.

**118. Opening of ballot boxes and counting of votes.**— (1) The Returning Officer shall, after notice to the contesting candidates, or, as the case may be, agents as



to the time and place of counting, open the ballot boxes in the presence of such of the contesting candidates, and their agents as may be present.

(2) The Returning Officer shall:

- (a) proceed to count the ballot papers taken out therefrom and record their number in a statement;
- (b) scrutinize the ballot papers taken out of the ballot boxes; and
- (c) separate the ballot papers which he deems valid from those which he rejects under sub-rule (3) endorsing on each ballot paper so rejected, the word 'rejected' and the grounds of rejection.

(3) A ballot paper shall be invalid, —

- (a) on which figure 1 is not marked; or
- (b) on which figure 1 is set opposite the names of more than one candidates, or is so placed as to render it doubtful as to which candidate it is intended to apply; or
- (c) on which figure 1 and some other figure are set opposite the name of the same candidate; or
- (d) on which there is a mark or writing or to which some object is attached by which the voter can be identified; or
- (e) which is unmarked or void on the ground of uncertainty; or
- (f) which does not bear the official mark or initials of the Returning Officer

**119. Arrangement of valid ballot papers.**— After rejecting the ballot papers which are invalid, the Returning Officer shall—

- (a) arrange the ballot papers in parcels according to the first preference recorded for each candidate;
- (b) count and record the number of the ballot papers in each parcel and check the total number thereof; and
- (c) credit to each candidate the value of the ballot papers on which preference for him has been recorded.

**120. Counting of votes where one seat is to be filled.**— (1) At any election, where only one seat is to be filled, every valid ballot paper shall be deemed to be of the value of 1 at each count, and the quota sufficient to secure the return of a candidate at the election shall be determined as follows:

- (a) add the values credited to all the candidates;
- (b) divide the total by 2; and
- (c) add 1 to the quotient ignoring the remainder, if any, and the resulting number is the quota.

(2) If, at the end of the first or any subsequent count, the total value of the ballot papers credited to any candidate is equal to, or greater than, the quota or there is only one continuing candidate, that candidate shall be declared elected.

(3) If, at the end of any count, no candidate can be declared elected, the Returning Officer shall:

- (a) exclude from the poll the candidate who upto that stage has been credited with the lowest value;
- (b) examine all the ballot papers in his parcel and sub-parcels, arrange the un-exhausted papers in sub-parcels according to the next available preferences recorded thereon for the continuing candidates, count the number of papers in each such sub-paragraph and credit it to the candidate for whom such preference is recorded, transfer the sub-paragraph to that candidate and make a separate sub-paragraph of all the exhausted papers; and
- (c) see whether any of the continuing candidates has, after such transfer and credit, secured the quota.

(4) If, when a candidate has to be excluded under clause (a) of sub-rule (3), two or more candidates have been credited with the same value and stand lowest on the poll, the candidate for whom the lowest number of original votes is recorded shall be excluded and, if this number also is the same, the candidate with the smallest value at the earliest count at which these candidates had unequal values shall be excluded.

(5) If two or more candidates are lowest on the poll and each has the same value of votes at all counts, the Returning Officer shall decide by lot which of them shall be excluded.

**121. Ascertaining the quota.**—At any election, where more than one seat is to be filled, every ballot paper shall be deemed to be of the value of 100 and the quota sufficient to secure the return of a candidate at the election shall be determined as follows:

- (a) add the value credited to all the candidates under clause (c) of sub-rule (1) of rule 120;
- (b) divide the total by a number which exceeds by 1 the number of seats to be filled; and
- (c) add 1 to the quotient ignoring the remainder, if any, and the resultant number is the quota.

**122. General instructions.**— (1) For the purpose of counting of votes, the Returning Officer shall disregard all fractions and ignore all preferences recorded for candidates already elected or excluded from the poll.

(2) A candidate shall be deemed to have been elected if, at the end of any count or at the transfer of any parcel or sub-paragraph of an excluded candidate, the value of ballot papers credited to such candidate is equal to or greater than the quota, and no further ballot paper shall be transferred to him.

**123. Transfer of surplus.**— (1) If at the end of any count the value of the ballot papers credited to a candidate is greater than the quota, the surplus shall be transferred in accordance with the provisions of this rule to the continuing candidates, according to the preferences indicated on the ballot papers of that candidate.

(2) If more candidates than one have a surplus, the largest surplus shall be dealt with first and the others in the order of magnitude:

Provided that every surplus arising on the first count shall be dealt with before those arising on the second count and so on.

(3) If more candidates than one have an equal surplus arising out of the same count, the surplus of the candidate credited with the greatest value at the earliest count at which the values credited to these candidates were unequal, shall be dealt with first and, where the values credited to such candidates were equal at all counts, the Returning Officer shall determine by lot which surplus will be dealt with first.

(4) If the surplus of any candidate to be transferred arises from original votes only, the Returning Officer shall examine all the papers in the parcel of that elected candidate, sort out un-exhausted papers into sub-parcels according to the next available preference recorded thereon and shall make a separate sub-parcel of the exhausted ballot papers.

(5) If the value credited to an elected candidate whose surplus is to be transferred arises from original and transferred votes, or from transferred votes only, the Returning Officer shall examine the ballot papers contained in the sub-parcel last transferred to the elected candidate.

(6) If the total value of the unexhausted papers is equal to or less than the surplus, the Returning Officer shall transfer each sub-parcel of unexhausted papers to the contesting candidate indicated thereon as the 'voters' next preference, each being transferred at the value at which it was received by the candidate whose surplus is being transferred.

(7) When the total value of the unexhausted paper is less than the surplus, the exhausted papers shall be set aside at a value which is equal to the difference between the surplus and the total value of the unexhausted papers.

(8) If the total value of the unexhausted papers is greater than the surplus, the Returning Officer shall transfer each paper in each sub-parcel of unexhausted papers to the continuing candidate indicating thereon as the 'voters' next preference and the value at which each paper shall be transferred shall be ascertained by dividing the surplus by the total number of unexhausted papers (fractional remainders being disregarded), except that the consequential loss of the value shall be noted on the result sheet.

(9) The papers transferred to each candidate shall be added in the form of a sub-parcel to the papers already belonging to such candidate.

(10) All papers in the parcel or sub-parcel of an elected candidate not transferred under this rule shall be set apart as finally dealt with.

**124. Exclusion of candidates lowest on the poll.**—If, at the end of any count, no candidate has a surplus and one or more seats remain unfilled, the Returning Officer shall exclude from the count the candidate credited with the lowest value, shall sort the unexhausted papers into sub-parcels according to the next available preferences recorded thereon and shall transfer each sub-parcel to the contesting candidates for whom the next preference is recorded.

**125. Order of transfer of sub-parcel.**— (1) The parcel containing the original votes of excluded candidate shall be transferred first, the transfer value of each paper being 100.

(2) The sub-parcels containing transferred votes shall then be transferred in the order in which and at the value at which the excluded candidate obtained them.

(3) Each such transfer shall be deemed to be a separate transfer.

(4) When a candidate has been excluded and as a result of transfer of his votes another candidate has been elected with a surplus, in such a case his surplus votes shall be transferred before another exclusion is considered.

(5) In the transfer of each parcel of sub-parcel, a separate sub-parcel shall be made of the exhausted papers which shall be set aside at the value at which the excluded candidate obtained them.

**126. Filling the last vacancies.**— (1) If, at the end of any count as a result of transfer of papers, the number of continuing candidates is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, no further transfer shall be made.

(2) When the number of continuing candidates is equal to the number of vacancies remaining unfilled, the continuing candidates shall thereupon be deemed to be elected.

(3) When, at the end of any count, only one vacancy remains unfilled and the value credited to someone continuing candidate exceeds the total of the value credited to the other continuing candidates together with any other surplus not transferred, that candidate shall thereupon be deemed to have been elected and no further transfer shall be made.

(4) When, at the end of any count, only one vacancy remains unfilled and there are only two continuing candidates and each of them has the same value of votes at all counts and no surplus remains capable of transfer, the Returning Officer shall decide by lot which of them shall be excluded and, after excluding him in the manner aforesaid, declare the other candidate to be elected.

**127. Equality of candidates lowest on the poll.**— (1) If at any time it becomes necessary to exclude a candidate and two or more candidates have the same value of votes and are the lowest on the poll, regard shall be had to the original votes of each candidate and the candidate for whom fewest original votes are recorded shall be excluded and, if the value of their original votes is equal, the candidate with the smallest value at the earliest count at which these candidates had unequal values shall be excluded.

(2) If two or more candidates are lowest on the poll and each has the same value of votes at all counts, the Returning Officer shall decide by drawing of lot which candidate shall be excluded.

**128. Provision for recounting.**— (1) Any candidate or, in his absence, his agent may at any time during the counting of votes, either before commencement or after the completion of any transfer of votes, whether surplus or otherwise, request the Returning Officer to re-examine and recount the papers of all or any of the candidates, not being papers set aside at any previous transfer as finally dealt with, and the Returning Officer shall forthwith re-examine and recount the same accordingly:

Provided that nothing, in this sub-rule shall make it obligatory on the Returning Officer to recount the same votes more than once.

(2) The Returning Officer may, in his discretion, recount the votes either once or more than once in any case in which he is not satisfied as to the accuracy of any previous count.

**129. Return by Returning Officer.**— On the completion of counting, the Returning Officer shall prepare and certify a Return of Election in Form-56 and permit any candidate or his agent to take a copy or extract from such return:

<sup>1</sup>[Proviso omitted].

**130. Grant of certificate of election to returned candidate.**— At the request of a candidate who has been declared to be elected, the Returning Officer may grant to such a candidate a certificate of election in Form-58 and obtain from the candidate an acknowledgement of its receipt duly signed by him.

**131. Format of packets to be used at polling station.** — (1) The format of the packets to be used by the Returning Officer at the polling station in connection with the election to the Senate shall be in accordance with the Schedule-III.

(2) The Returning Officer, after the completion of counting, shall:

- (a) prepare separate packets containing the valid ballot papers in packet-1 labeled 'valid ballot papers' bearing the name of the contesting candidate to whom the packet relates and rejected ballot papers in packet-2 labeled 'rejected ballot papers';
- (b) put the unissued ballot papers in packet-3 labeled 'unissued ballot papers';
- (c) put the counterfoils of used ballot papers in packet-4 labeled 'counterfoils of used ballot papers';
- (d) put marked copies of the list of voters in packet-5 labeled 'marked copies of the list of voters';
- (e) put all Spoilt Ballot Papers referred to in rule 115 and rule 116 in packet-6 labeled 'Spoilt Ballot Papers'; and
- (f) put Return of Election prepared on Form-56, or, as the case may be, on Form-57 in packet-7 labeled 'Return of Election'.

**132. Illustration of procedure as to the count, etc.**—For election to the general seats in the Senate an illustration of the procedure as to the counting of votes in accordance with these Rules is given in Part 'A' of the Schedule-III and an illustration for election to the seats reserved for the Ulema, technocrats and other professionals is given in Part 'B' thereof.

**133. Documents to be sent to, and retained by, the Commission.**— (1) The Returning Officer shall forward to the Commission:

- (a) separate packets containing the valid ballot papers and rejected ballot papers each of which shall be sealed with the seal of the Returning Officer;
- (b) the packet containing unissued ballot papers;
- (c) the packet containing the counterfoils of issued ballot papers;
- (d) the packet containing the marked copies of the list of voters;
- (e) the packet containing Spoilt Ballot Papers;
- (f) the packet containing the Return of Election; and
- (g) such other papers as the Commission may direct.

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<sup>1</sup> Omitted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.410 1(4) (I)/ 2018-Law dated 02<sup>nd</sup> March, 2018.

(2) The Returning Officer shall endorse in the space provided for the purpose on each packet forwarded under sub-rule (1) the description of its contents, the date of the election to which the contents relate and the name of the Province, or, as the case may be, Federal Capital <sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*], for which the election was held.

(3) The Commission shall retain the documents contained in the packets received under sub-rule (1) for a period of one year from the date of their receipt, and thereafter shall, unless otherwise directed by the Tribunal, cause them to be destroyed.

(4) The documents retained by the Commission under sub-rule (3), except the ballot papers, shall be open to public inspection during office hours on payment of a fee at the rate of ten rupees per page.

(5) Copies of, or extracts from, the documents mentioned in sub-rule (4) shall be furnished upon an application made by any person on payment of a fee at the rate of ten rupees per page.

(6) Every application for inspection of documents or supply of copies under sub-rule (4) and sub-rule (5), respectively, shall be accompanied by court fee stamps of the requisite value.

<sup>2</sup>[<sup>3</sup>[\*\*\*]]

## **CHAPTER VIII**

### **ELECTION EXPENSES AND STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**134. Account of election expenses.**— (1) A contesting candidate shall maintain or cause to be maintained a register of receipts and expenditure.

(2) The contesting candidate shall, after the publication of the name of the returned candidate under section 98 or section 124, submit to the Returning Officer an account of election expenses as required under section 134 in Form C appended to the Act.

(3) All vouchers shall accompany the account of election expenses duly arranged according to the date of payment and serially numbered:

Provided that the candidate shall append a copy of the poster, the handbill, or, as the case may be, the pamphlet printed by him with the relevant bill or receipt issued by the printer or the publisher by whom such material was got printed or published:

Provided further that as required under clause (b) of sub-section (3) of section 180, all poster, handbills, or, as the case may be, pamphlets mentioned in first proviso shall bear the name and address of the printer or publisher.

(4) It shall not be necessary, while rendering account to the Returning Officer, to give particulars of the payees in regard to the items of expenditure for which receipts are not required to be obtained under sub-section (4) of section 132.

**135. Inspection of election expenses, return, etc.**— (1) Immediately after receipt, the original return and documents submitted by the returned candidate under sub-section (3) of section 98, or, as the case may be, sub-section (3) of section 123; or by a

<sup>1</sup> Omitted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Chapter VIIA inserted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.410 1(4) (I)/ 2018-Law dated 02<sup>nd</sup> March, 2018.

<sup>3</sup> Chapter VIIA omitted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

contesting candidate under section 134 shall be sent by the Returning Officer to the Commission.

(2) For a period of one year from the date of receipt by the Commission, the documents referred to in sub-rule (1) shall be open to public for inspection in Commission's Secretariat during office hours on payment of fee at the rate of ten rupees per page.

(3) Copies or extract of return or of the documents mentioned in sub-rule (1) shall be furnished upon an application made by any person on payment of fee at the rate of ten rupees per page.

(4) Every application for inspection of the return or of the documents or supply of copies thereof shall be accompanied by court-fee stamps of the requisite value.

**136. Action relating to election expenses.** — (1) In accordance with the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 136, the concerned officer of the Commission shall, on receipt of original return of election expenses and documents under rule 135, scrutinize the election expenses in respect of each contesting candidate.

(2) In order to ascertain the veracity of the bills, receipts or other documents, the officer may contact the printer, the publisher or any other vender by whom such bills, receipts or documents were issued.

(3) The process of scrutiny of returns under section 136 shall be completed within a period of ninety days from the date of submission of return of election expenses.

**137. Submission of statement of assets and liabilities.** — (1) Every Member of an Assembly and Senate shall submit to the Commission on or before thirty first December each year a copy of the statement of assets and liabilities including assets and liabilities of his spouse and dependent children as on the preceding thirtieth day of June on Form B appended to the Act.

(2) In order to ascertain that the statements of assets and liabilities submitted by any Member is not false in material particular, the Commission may scrutinize or cause to be scrutinized the statement of assets and liabilities in such manner as it may deem necessary and for this purpose may seek assistance of any authority or department in the Federation or a Province.

(3) In case, after such scrutiny under sub-rule (2), the statement of assets and liabilities submitted by a Member is found to be false in material particulars, the Commission shall direct an authorized officer to file a complaint against such Member for committing the offence of corrupt practice within one hundred and twenty days from the date of submission of the statement of assets and liabilities.

**138. Publication of statement of assets and liabilities.**— The copies of statement of assets and liabilities published by the Commission in the official gazette under section 138 shall be made available upon an application made by any person on payment of fee at the rate of ten rupees per page:

Provided that the application shall be accompanied by court-fee stamps of the requisite value.



## **CHAPTER IX ELECTION DISPUTES**

**139. Presentation of election petition.**— (1) An election petition may be presented by any contesting candidate in person or by a representative authorized by him in writing in this behalf or by registered post, or by courier service.

(2) An election petition, if sent by registered post or courier service, shall be deemed to have been filed in time if it is posted within the period specified in sub-section (1) of section 142.

(3) Every election petition shall be filed with the Election Tribunal concerned in triplicate and shall be accompanied by the documents mentioned in section 144.

(4) The petition shall also be accompanied by a receipt showing that the petitioner has deposited at any branch of the National Bank of Pakistan as security for the costs of the petition, a sum of twenty thousand rupees in the head of account “C03-Miscellaneous Receipts, C038-Others, C03870-Others (Election Receipts)”.

(5) No witness whose name is not mentioned in the petition shall be summoned or examined unless required by the Tribunal.

(6) Where the election petition claims as relief a declaration that the election of the returned candidate is void on the ground that the returned candidate was not, on the nomination day, qualified for, or was disqualified from, being elected as a Member, the Tribunal may decide the question of such qualification or disqualification as a preliminary issue.

(7) The Election Tribunal may refuse to issue order for recount if the petitioner had failed to seek recount of votes before consolidation of the result or where it is not likely to have an impact on the result of the election.

**140. Processing the Petition.**— Every petition shall be processed by the Tribunal and in case the petition is not in accordance with the laid down procedure, the petitioner shall be informed accordingly indicating the deficiencies in the petition, if any, directing him to fulfill the same within seven days of the receipt of communication from the Tribunal failing which the petition shall be dismissed by the Tribunal.

**141. Notice of hearing of the petition.**— If a petition is not rejected under sub-section (1) of section 145, the Tribunal shall issue notices to the petitioner and each of the respondents in the manner mentioned in sub-section (2) of section 145.

**142. Filing of written statement.**— The respondent shall upon the receipt of notice of the petition from the petitioner within seven days file his written statement together with all documents relied upon by him to rebut the allegations in the election petition and the affidavits of the witnesses as are desired to be produced in defence as provided under section 147.

**143. Case management.**— (1) On filing of reply by the respondent, the Election Tribunal may, with the consent of parties, fix time schedule for trial and disposal of the petition within one hundred and twenty days period from the date of filing of the petition till announcement of the final judgment in the case.

(2) The time schedule mentioned in sub-rule (1) may include:

(a) date for submission of miscellaneous applications, if any;

- (b) date of hearing, decisions on miscellaneous applications and preliminary questions;
- (c) evidence of the petitioners and timelines for cross examinations;
- (d) evidence of the respondents and timelines for cross examinations;
- (e) official evidence, if any and timelines for cross-examinations;
- (f) final arguments;
- (g) announcement of final judgment; and
- (h) any other activity required in the peculiar circumstances of the case.

(3) If a party fails to adhere to the time-schedule agreed under sub-rule (2), the Election Tribunal may proceed with the case as if the party in default has forfeited its right under the time-schedule.

(4) If the parties do not consent to time-schedule mentioned in sub-rule (2), the Election Tribunal shall record the fact and proceed with the trial of the election petition on day-to-day basis and no adjournment shall be granted to any party for more than seven days and that too on payment of such costs as the Tribunal may determine.

**144. Cross-examination of witnesses.**— The petitioner shall make available for cross-examination all witnesses whose affidavits are filed with the petition for cross-examination on the first date of hearing before the Election Tribunal and the trial of petitions shall proceed on day-to-day basis.

**145. Summoning of official witness.**— Where any party desires to summon any official witness, he shall file with the petition a list of such witnesses justifying production of such official and also mention the documents, if any, which are required to be proved through such witness.

**146. Making the memorandum of evidence.**— The Election Tribunal may make a memorandum of the evidence of each witness as his examination proceeds unless it considers that there is special reason for taking down the evidence of any witness in full.

**147. Refusal to examine witness.**—The Election Tribunal may refuse to examine a witness if it considers that his evidence is not material or that he has been called on a frivolous or vexatious ground for the purpose of delaying the proceedings or defeating the ends of justice.

**148. Withdrawal of respondents.**—A notice, under section 163 by a respondent in an election petition shall be in, Form-59.

**149. Supply of copies of decisions on petitions and other documents.**— (1) Copies of documents forming part of an election petition presented to the Election Tribunal and of any order passed by it under section 145 may be furnished to any person by the Tribunal on an application in writing.

(2) The fees for the supply of copies mentioned in sub-rule (1) shall be ten rupees per page.

(3) Every application for the supply of copies under sub-rule (1) shall be accompanied by court fee stamps of the requisite value.

**150. Order of production of documents.**— (1) As provided under section 101, the Tribunal may order the opening of packets of counterfoils and certificates or the inspection of any counted ballot papers.

(2) An order under sub-rule (1) may be made subject to such conditions as to persons, time, place and mode of inspection, production of documents and opening of packets as the Election Tribunal making the order may think expedient:

Provided that in making and carrying into effect an order for the inspection of counted ballot papers, care shall be taken that no vote shall be disclosed until it has been held by the Tribunal to be invalid.

## **CHAPTER X**

### **OFFENCES, PENALTIES AND PROCEDURES**

**151. Summary trial by authorized officer.**— (1) An officer authorized by the Commission to exercise the powers of a Magistrate of the first class under section 193, shall hold summary trial in the manner given in this rule.

(2) For summary trial under the Act, the procedure given in the Code shall be followed and the officer exercising power of Magistrate of the first class shall record statement of the complainant and record further proceedings if any on Form-60.

(3) Where a person is found guilty of personation, the officer authorized under sub-rule (1) shall order the arrest of such person in Form-61.

(4) The officer shall, if required, commit a convict after summary trial to the superintendent or keeper of the Jail concerned on warrant of commitment in Form-62 or Form-63, as the case may be.

**152. Court report to Commission.**— The court or other competent forum convicting any person for an offence, other than the offence of corrupt practice, shall send a report to the Commission of such conviction.

## **CHAPTER XI**

### **POLITICAL PARTIES**

**153. Political parties to provide printed copy of constitution.**— Every political party shall —

- (a) within thirty days of its formation; or
- (b) which is already in existence, within sixty days of the commencement of the Act;

provide to the Commission a printed copy of its constitution along with a certificate duly attested by the Party Leader that its constitution is in conformity with the requirements of the Act.

**154. Enlistment of Political Parties.**— (1) A political party applying for its enlistment under section 202 shall submit its application to the Commission in the manner as may be determined by the Commission.

(2) The list of two thousand members of the political party required to be submitted under sub section (2) of section 202 shall be provided in Form-64.

(3) The sum of two hundred thousand rupees shall be deposited in State Bank of Pakistan or National Bank of Pakistan as enlistment fee in the head of account “C03-Miscellaneous Receipts, C038-Others, C03870-Others (Election Receipts)”

**155. Political parties enlisted before the commencement of the Act.**— A political party, enlisted by the Commission before the commencement of the Act, shall be deemed to have been enlisted under this Act provided that it shall comply with the provisions of sub-section (4) of section 202.

**156. Mode of submission of documents.**—The constitution, certificates, documents, etc. to be submitted to the Commission under the Act shall be delivered through an office bearer of the party, duly authorized by the Party Leader and shall not be entertained through post, fax, courier service or any other mode.

**157. Scrutiny of political parties' constitution and information, etc.**—Where the Commission is of the opinion that the constitution, other documents and information submitted by a political party is not in conformity with the Act, it shall return the same with specific observations to the concerned political party for resubmission in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

**158. Submission of certificate to the Commission regarding intra-party elections.**— (1) The Party Leader of each political party under his signature shall, within seven days of the completion of intra-party elections, submit a certificate to the Commission in Form-65 specifying that the intra-party elections have been held in accordance with the constitution of the party and the provisions of the Act.

(2) The Commission shall, after satisfying itself that the certificate fulfills the requirements of sections 208 and 209, publish the certificate including the details of election in the official Gazette.

**159. Submission of consolidated statement of accounts to the Commission.**— Every political party shall maintain its accounts indicating its annual income and expenses, sources of funds, assets and liabilities and shall, within sixty days from the close of each financial year, submit to the Commission a consolidated statement of accounts of the party audited by a Chartered Accountant in Form D appended to the Act which shall contain a certificate duly signed by an office-bearer authorized by the Party Head to the effect that no funds from any source prohibited under the Act were received by the party and that the statement contains an accurate financial position of the party:

Provided that the detailed audit report of the Chartered Accountant shall be annexed with Form D submitted under this rule.

**160. Confiscation of prohibited funds.**— Where the Commission on its own motion or on the application filed by any person, decides that the contributions or donations, as the case may be, accepted by a political party, are prohibited under sub-section (3) of section 204, it shall, subject to notice to the political party concerned and after giving an opportunity of being heard, direct the same to be confiscated in favour of the State to be deposited in State Bank of Pakistan or National Bank of Pakistan in the head of the account "C03-Miscellaneous Receipts, C038-Others, C03870-Others (Election Receipts)".

**161. Submission of details of campaign finance to the Commission.**— (1) Every political party taking part in a general election shall furnish to the Commission details of the election expenses incurred by it during that election:

Provided that such detail of election expenses shall also contain the list of contributors who donated or contributed an amount equal to or more than one hundred thousand rupees to the political party for its election campaign expenses.

(2) The details of election expenses under this rule shall be submitted by the political party within sixty days of the publication of the names of returned candidates in the official gazette.

## CHAPTER XII ALLOCATION OF SYMBOLS

**162. Symbol.** — (1) An independent candidate may be allotted under sub-section (3) of section 67 any one of the following symbols which is not allocated to any political party by the Commission:

S.No.	Symbol	S.No.	Symbol	S.No.	Symbol	S.No.	Symbol
1	Aabshar (Water Fall)	2	Aeroplane	3	Air Conditioner	4	Air Cooler
5	Alphabet 'A'	6	Alphabet 'B'	7	Alphabet 'G'	8	Alphabet 'K'
9	Alphabet 'P'	10	Alphabet 'S'	11	Apple	12	Arrow
13	Audio Cassette	14	Axe	15	Baby Cot	16	Badge
17	Balloons	18	Basket	19	Bat	20	Batsman
21	Battery	22	Bear	23	Bed	24	Bee
25	Bell	26	Bench	27	Bicycle	28	Binoculars
29	Black Board	30	Boat	31	Book	32	Bottle
33	Bow	34	Bowl	35	Brick	36	Bridge
37	Brinjal	38	Brush	39	Bucket	40	Bulb
41	Bullock Cart	42	Bunch of Grapes	43	Bus	44	Butterfly
45	Cage	46	Cake	47	Calculator	48	Calendar
49	Camel	50	Candle	51	Cannon	52	Cap
53	Car	54	Carrom Board	55	Chair	56	Charpai
57	Chimney	58	Chiragh (Lamp)	59	Chitralli Cap	60	Clock
61	Coat	62	Coconut	63	Coins	64	Comb
65	Combat Aircraft	66	Combat Tank	67	Computer	68	Cooking Pot
69	Corn	70	Cow	71	Crane	72	Crescent
73	Cricket Stumps	74	Crocodile	75	Crown	76	Cup and Saucer
77	Curtain	78	Date Tree	79	Deep Freezer	80	Deer
81	Dhol	82	Diamond	83	Dice	84	Dish Antenna
85	Dolphin	86	Donkey Cart	87	Door	88	Dove
89	Dressing Table	90	Drill Machine	91	Drum	92	Duck
93	Eagle	94	Electric Heater	95	Electric Pole	96	Electric Water Pump
97	Elephant	98	Emergency Light	99	Energy Saver	100	Excavator
101	Fan	102	Feather	103	Fire Engine	104	Fish
105	Fist	106	Flamingo	107	Flower Pot	108	Foot Ball
109	Fork	110	Fort	111	Fountain	112	Frame
113	Fridge	114	Frying Pan	115	Garland	116	Gas Cylinder
117	Gate	118	Gavel	119	Generator	120	Geyser
121	Ghulail	122	Giraffe	123	Goat	124	Gramophone
125	Grate	126	Green Chilli	127	Guitar	128	Gun
129	Hammer	130	Hand Pump	131	Handbag	132	Hanger
133	Harmonium	134	Helicopter	135	Hen	136	Hockey
137	Horse	138	Horse shoe	139	House	140	Hud Hud
141	Hukkah	142	Human Eye	143	Human Hand	144	Hut
145	Ice Cream	146	Inkpot with Pen	147	Iron	148	Iron Stand
149	Jeep	150	Jharoo	151	Jug	152	Kangaroo
153	Kettle	154	Key	155	Key Chain	156	Key with Lock
157	Khussa	158	King	159	Kite	160	Knife
161	Ladder	162	Lantern	163	Lap Top	164	Leaf

S.No.	Symbol	S.No.	Symbol	S.No.	Symbol	S.No.	Symbol
165	Letter Box	166	Lighter	167	Lock	168	Lotus
169	Loudspeaker	170	Lunch Box	171	Magnifying Glass	172	Match Box
173	Medal	174	Mic	174-A	Minar-e-Pakistan	175	Missile
176	Mobile Charger	177	Mobile Phone	178	Mobile Sim	179	Motor Cycle
180	Mountain	181	Mug	182	Nail Cutter	183	Newspaper
184	Oil Stove	185	Oil Tanker	186	Olympic Torch	187	Onion
188	Orange	189	Ostrich	190	Ox	191	Papaya
192	Parachute	193	Parrot	194	Peacock	195	Pen
196	Pencil	197	Penguin	198	Persian Wheel	199	Phole Gobhi
200	Photostat Machine	201	Pickup	202	Pillow	203	Pineapple
204	Pitcher	205	Planner	206	Plough	207	Plug
208	Pomegranate	209	Pressure Cooker	210	Printer	211	Queen
212	Rabab	213	Rabbit	214	Racket	215	Radio
216	Railway Engine	217	Railway Track	218	Revolver	219	Rickshaw
220	Ring	221	[2***]	222	Roller Coaster	223	Roller of Wood
224	Roots	225	Rope	226	Rose	227	Round Table
228	Saddle	229	Safety Helmet	230	Saw	231	Saxophone
232	Scale	233	School Bag	234	Scissors	235	Scooter
236	Screw	237	Screw Driver	238	Sea Saw	239	Sewing Machine
240	Sharpener	241	Sheep	242	Ship	243	Shoes
244	Shower	245	Shuttle Cock	246	Sickle	247	Sign Board
248	Slate	249	Sofa	250	Spade	251	Sparrow
252	Spectacles	253	Spider	254	Spinning Wheel	255	Spoon
256	Stabilizer	257	Stag	258	Stapler	259	Star
260	Stethoscope	261	Still Camera	262	Street Light	263	Study Table with Chair
264	Suitcase	265	Sun	266	Sun Flower	267	Swallow
268	Swing	269	Switches	270	Sword	271	Table
272	Table Lamp	273	Table Tennis Bat	274	Takhti	275	Tambourine
276	Tandoor	277	Tap	278	Tawa	279	Teapot
280	Telephone	281	Television	282	Tent	283	Thermos
284	Tiger	285	Tonga	286	Tongs	287	Tooth Brush
288	Top	289	Torch	290	Tortoise	291	Tower
292	Tractor	293	Traffic Signal	294	Transformer	295	Tree
296	Tricycle	297	Trolley	298	Trophy	299	Trowel (Krandi)
300	Truck	301	T-Shirt	302	Tulip	303	Tumbler
304	Tunnel	305	Turban	306	TV Trolley	307	Two Swords
308	Typewriter	309	Tyre	310	Umbrella	311	Unity
312	Victory Sign	313	Violin	314	Waist Coat	315	Wall
316	Wash Basin	317	Water Cooler	318	Water Melon	319	Water Tank
320	Water Turbine	321	Well	322	Wheat Bunch	323	Wheel
324	Wheel Barrow	325	Wheel Chair	326	Whistle	327	Wind Mill
328	Window	329	Wrench	330	Wrist Watch		

(2) The Commission may allocate any one of the symbols specified in sub-rule (1) to any political party or a combination of two or more political parties who have agreed to put up joint candidates for election on an application made by it in this behalf.

<sup>1</sup> Inserted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Omitted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.128(I)/2020 dated 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.



(3) The returning officer may allot a multiple symbol to the independent candidates from one of the symbols not allocated to any political party in case the number of independent candidates exceeds the number of available symbols.

**163. Application for allocation of symbols.**— The application made by a political party to the Commission for allocation of a symbol shall, in addition to the information required under clause (a) to (d) of section 216, contain dates of submission of certificates and statements referred to in sections 202, 206, 209 and 210.

### **CHAPTER XIII**

### **CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

**164. Conduct of elections to the local governments.**— For the purpose of conduct of local government elections, the Commission shall unless otherwise provided in this Chapter prepare electoral rolls, appoint election officials for the election and deal with other ancillary matters as far as practicable, in the same manner as provided in Chapter XIII of the Act and applicable Local Government Laws and Rules.

**165. Election Programme.**— (1) The Commission shall announce Election Programme for conduct of local government elections in accordance with sub-sections (3) and (4) of section 219.

(2) The Commission may at any time before the date of poll, rescind or alter the Election Programme published under sub-rule (1) and shall issue a revised Election Programme.

**166. Supply of electoral rolls.**— (1) The Commission shall, immediately after the announcement of Election Programme, provide the final electoral rolls without photograph of all the electoral areas included in a constituency to the Returning Officer concerned for the purpose of office use and supply to the candidates.

(2) The Commission shall also provide the electoral rolls with photographs to the Returning Officer for onward supply to the Presiding Officer of each polling station for use at the polling station

**167. Election against reserved seats.** — (1) The Commission shall organize and conduct the election to the seats reserved for women, peasants or workers, technocrats, youth and non-Muslims in a local government under the applicable local government laws and Rules.

(2) The Commission shall provide to the Returning Officer a list of elected Members eligible to vote for the seats to be filled through indirect elections.

**168. Election of chairperson and vice chairperson.** — (1) After the election and administration of oath to the indirectly elected Members of a local government on reserved seats, if any, the Commission shall organize and conduct the indirect elections of the chairperson and vice chairperson or vice chairpersons as joint or separate candidates in the manner provided under the applicable local government laws and Rules.

(2) The Commission shall provide to the Returning Officer a list of elected Members eligible to vote for chairperson and a vice chairperson, or, as the case may be, vice chairpersons of a local government.

**Explanation.**— For purposes of this rule, the chairperson and vice chairperson includes chairman, vice-chairman, mayor, deputy mayor or, as the case may be, nazim or naib nazim of a local government.



**169. Declaration of results.** — (1) The Returning Officer shall, immediately after the consolidation of results or drawl of lot, submit to the District Returning Officer a return of the election together with a copy of the consolidated statement of the results of the count, the name or names of the returned candidate or candidates of each category of seats:

Provided that the Returning Officer shall also send copies of said results to the Commission or any officer authorized by the Commission.

(2) Subject to the directions of the Commission, the District Returning Officer shall arrange the name or names of returned candidate or candidates of a local government and forward the same to the Commission for publication in the official Gazette.

(3) The Commission shall publish in the official Gazette the name(s) of returned candidate or candidates.

## **CHAPTER XIV CARETAKER GOVERNMENT**

**170. Caretaker Government.**— (1) The caretaker Government may transfer or shuffle public officials, if considered expedient, after the approval of the Commission.

(2) Under sub-section (4) of section 5, the directions of the Commission shall be complied with by the caretaker government and the compliance report shall be sent to the Commission immediately.

(3) The statements referred to in sub-section (3) of section 230 shall be open to public inspection and copies of the same may be supplied to a person, making application in that behalf, on payment of fee of ten rupees per page in the shape of court fee stamps.

## **CHAPTER XV MISCELLANEOUS**

**171. Monitoring of election campaign.**— (1) The Commission shall appoint and place, on its website, the names and jurisdiction of officers nominated under sub-section (1) of section 234 and that of monitoring teams constituted under sub-section (2) thereof:

Provided that the Commission shall appoint the nominated officers under this sub-rule:

- (a) from amongst its own officers;
- (b) from the subordinate judiciary in consultation with the Chief Justice of the concerned High Court;
- (c) by selection from a list of officers provided by Government or a provincial government; or
- (d) by selecting any other person as it may deem appropriate.

(2) The monitoring team shall monitor the election campaign of political parties and candidates as per mechanism and instructions issued by the Commission from time to time in this behalf:

Provided that the monitoring team shall submit its reports on daily basis to the nominated officer, regarding violation of code of conduct and candidates' campaign expenditure and shall also submit its report of monitoring on election day in such format and manner as the Commission may determine.

(3) In case a political party or a candidate is found guilty of violation of any provision of code of conduct and the nominated officer after holding summary inquiry, finds that the reported violation has been committed and imposes a fine not exceeding rupees fifty thousand as provided in sub-section (3) of section 234, he shall submit a concise report to this effect to the Commission immediately.

(4) The Federal and the Provincial government concerned shall provide adequate security and assistance by providing logistic and other support for monitoring team in discharge of its duties as and when required.

**172. General.**— The Commission may, from time to time, prescribe such Form or Forms or review or revise any existing Form as it may deem necessary for carrying out the purposes of the Act.

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## **SCHEDULE-I**

[see rule 76]

The format of the packets to be used at the polling station by the Presiding Officer and to be endorsed by the Returning Officer in connection with conduct of election to the Assemblies under Chapter V of the Elections Act 2017 shall be as under:

### **PACKET-1**

[see rule 80(1)(b)]

#### **ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN VALID BALLOT PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

VALID BALLOT PAPERS OF MR. \_\_\_\_\_ SYMBOL \_\_\_\_\_  
CANDIDATE FOR NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN FIGURES \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN WORDS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES OF CANDIDATES/  
ELECTION AGENTS/POLLING AGENTS

SIGNATURE OF  
THE PRESIDING OFFICER

#### **ENDORSEMENT**

SIGNATURE OF  
RETURNING OFFICER

### **PACKET- 2**

[see rule 80(1)(c)]

#### **ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN BALLOT PAPERS EXCLUDED FROM THE COUNT**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN FIGURES \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN WORDS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES OF CANDIDATES/  
ELECTION AGENTS/POLLING AGENTS

SIGNATURE OF  
THE PRESIDING OFFICER

#### **ENDORSEMENT**

SIGNATURE OF  
RETURNING OFFICER

**PACKET-3**  
[see rule 80(1)(j)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**PRINCIPAL PACKET**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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PRINCIPAL PACKET CONTAINING:

- (I) PACKETS OF VALID BALLOT PAPERS OF INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES (PACKET-I)  
(II) PACKET OF BALLOT PAPERS EXCLUDED FROM THE COUNT (PACKET-II)  
TOTAL NUMBER OF PACKETS CONTAINED IN THIS PACKET \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES OF CANDIDATES/  
ELECTION AGENTS/POLLING AGENTS

SIGNATURE OF  
THE PRESIDING OFFICER

**ENDORSEMENT**

SIGNATURE OF  
RETURNING OFFICER

**PACKET-4**  
[see rule 77(3)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**TENDERED BALLOT PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN FIGURES \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN WORDS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF  
THE PRESIDING OFFICER

**PACKET-5**

[see rule 80(1)(e)(i)]

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN  
VALID TENDERED BALLOT PAPERS INCLUDED IN THE COUNT**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN FIGURES \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN WORDS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES OF CANDIDATES/  
ELECTION AGENTS/POLLING AGENTS

SIGNATURE OF  
THE PRESIDING OFFICER

**ENDORSEMENT**

SIGNATURE OF  
RETURNING OFFICER

**PACKET-6**

[see rule 80(1)(e)(ii)]

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN  
TENDERED BALLOT PAPERS EXCLUDED FROM THE COUNT**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN FIGURES \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN WORDS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES OF CANDIDATES/  
ELECTION AGENTS/POLLING AGENTS

SIGNATURE OF  
THE PRESIDING OFFICER

**ENDORSEMENT**

SIGNATURE OF  
RETURNING OFFICER

**PACKET-7**  
[see rule 78(3)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**CHALLENGED BALLOT PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN FIGURES \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN WORDS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF  
THE PRESIDING OFFICER

**PACKET-8**  
[see rule 80(1)(g)(i)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**VALID CHALLENGED BALLOT PAPERS INCLUDED IN THE COUNT**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN FIGURES \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN WORDS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES OF CANDIDATES/  
ELECTION AGENTS/POLLING AGENTS

SIGNATURE OF  
THE PRESIDING OFFICER

**ENDORSEMENT**

SIGNATURE OF  
RETURNING OFFICER

**PACKET-9**

[see rule 80(1)(g)(ii)]

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN  
CHALLENGED BALLOT PAPERS EXCLUDED FROM THE COUNT**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN WORDS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES OF CANDIDATES/  
ELECTION AGENTS/POLLING AGENTS

SIGNATURE OF  
THE PRESIDING OFFICER

**ENDORSEMENT**

SIGNATURE OF  
RETURNING OFFICER

**PACKET-10**

[see rule 79(2)]

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN  
SPOILT BALLOT PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN FIGURES \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN WORDS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES OF CANDIDATES/  
ELECTION AGENTS/POLLING AGENTS

SIGNATURE OF  
THE PRESIDING OFFICER

**ENDORSEMENT**

SIGNATURE OF  
RETURNING OFFICER



**PACKET-11**  
[see rule 80(2)(a)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**UNISSUED BALLOT PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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ELECTION AGENTS/POLLING AGENTS

SIGNATURE OF  
THE PRESIDING OFFICER

**ENDORSEMENT**

SIGNATURE OF  
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**PACKET-12**  
[see rule 80(2)(b)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**COUNTERFOILS OF USED BALLOT PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
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**PACKET-13**  
[see rule 80(2)(c)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**MARKED COPIES OF ELECTORAL ROLLS**

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**PACKET-14**  
[see rule 77(1)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**TENDERED VOTES LIST**

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**PACKET-15**  
[see rule 78(1)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**CHALLENGED VOTES LIST**

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**PACKET-16**  
[see rule 81(2)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**RESULT OF THE COUNT**

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**PACKET-17**  
[see rule 83(2)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**BALLOT PAPER ACCOUNT**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
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**PACKET-18**  
[see section 90(15)(j)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
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DETAILS OF MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS

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**PACKET-19**

[see rule 64(1)]

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN  
PACKET CONTAINING BRASS SEAL**

ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY / PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER AND NAME OF CONSTITUENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. AND NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
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IMPORTANT: AFTER PUTTING THE BRASS SEAL IN THE PACKET, IT SHOULD BE SECURELY  
CLOSED WITH THE HELP OF PASTING GUM. THE ELECTION AGENTS /  
POLLING AGENTS AND THE PRESIDING OFFICER SHOULD THEN SIGN THE  
FLAP OF THE PACKET ON ITS BACK.

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ELECTION AGENTS/POLLING AGENTS

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## **SCHEDULE-II**

[see rule 131(1)]

The format of the packets to be used at the polling station by the Returning Officer in connection with conduct of election to the Senate under Chapter VII of the Elections Act 2017 shall be as under:

### **PACKET-1**

[see rule 131(2)(a)]

#### **ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN ELECTION TO THE SENATE VALID BALLOT PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE SENATE FROM \_\_\_\_\_ (<sup>1</sup>[PROVINCE/FEDERAL CAPITAL])

NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

VALID BALLOT PAPERS OF MR. \_\_\_\_\_

CANDIDATE FOR GENERAL SEAT / SEAT RESERVED FOR TECHNOCRAT INCLUDING AALIM  
/ WOMAN / NON-MUSLIM

NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN FIGURES \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN WORDS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES OF CANDIDATES/  
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### **PACKET-2**

[see rule 131(2)(a)]

#### **ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN ELECTION TO THE SENATE REJECTED BALLOT PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE SENATE FROM \_\_\_\_\_ (<sup>2</sup>[PROVINCE/FEDERAL CAPITAL])

CATEGORY OF SEAT: GENERAL SEAT / SEAT RESERVED FOR TECHNOCRAT INCLUDING  
AALIM / WOMAN / NON-MUSLIM

NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN FIGURES \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN WORDS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES OF CANDIDATES/  
AGENTS

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**PACKET-3**  
[see rule 131(2)(b)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**ELECTION TO THE SENATE**  
**UNISSUED BALLOT PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE SENATE FROM \_\_\_\_\_ (<sup>1</sup>[PROVINCE/FEDERAL CAPITAL])  
CATEGORY OF SEAT: GENERAL SEAT / SEAT RESERVED FOR TECHNOCRAT INCLUDING  
AALIM / WOMAN / NON-MUSLIM  
NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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AGENTS

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**PACKET-4**  
[see rule 131(2)(c)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**ELECTION TO THE SENATE**  
**COUNTERFOILS OF USED BALLOT PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE SENATE FROM \_\_\_\_\_ (<sup>2</sup>[PROVINCE/FEDERAL CAPITAL])  
CATEGORY OF SEAT: GENERAL SEAT / SEAT RESERVED FOR TECHNOCRAT INCLUDING  
AALIM / WOMAN / NON-MUSLIM  
NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
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FROM SERIAL NO. \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_  
FROM SERIAL NO. \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_  
FROM SERIAL NO. \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_

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**PACKET-5**  
[see rule 131(2)(d)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**ELECTION TO THE SENATE**  
**MARKED COPIES OF THE LIST OF VOTERS**

ELECTION TO THE SENATE FROM \_\_\_\_\_ (<sup>1</sup>[PROVINCE/FEDERAL CAPITAL])  
CATEGORY OF SEAT: GENERAL SEAT / SEAT RESERVED FOR TECHNOCRAT INCLUDING  
AALIM / WOMAN / NON-MUSLIM  
NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
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AGENTS

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**PACKET-6**  
[see rule 131(2)(e)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**ELECTION TO THE SENATE**  
**SPOILT BALLOT PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE SENATE FROM \_\_\_\_\_ (<sup>2</sup>[PROVINCE/FEDERAL CAPITAL])  
CATEGORY OF SEAT: GENERAL SEAT / SEAT RESERVED FOR TECHNOCRAT INCLUDING  
AALIM / WOMAN / NON-MUSLIM  
NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
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NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPERS IN THE PACKET IN FIGURES \_\_\_\_\_  
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**PACKET-7**  
[see rule 131(2)(f)]  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**ELECTION TO THE SENATE**  
**RETURN OF ELECTION**

ELECTION TO THE SENATE FROM \_\_\_\_\_ (<sup>1</sup>[PROVINCE/FEDERAL CAPITAL])  
CATEGORY OF SEAT: GENERAL SEAT / SEAT RESERVED FOR TECHNOCRAT INCLUDING  
AALIM / WOMAN / NON-MUSLIM  
NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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THIS PACKET CONTAINS THE RETURN OF ELECTION

SIGNATURES OF CANDIDATES/  
AGENTS

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THE RETURNING OFFICER

**PACKET-8**  
**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**ELECTION TO THE SENATE**  
**MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS**

ELECTION TO THE SENATE FROM \_\_\_\_\_ (<sup>2</sup>[PROVINCE/FEDERAL CAPITAL])  
CATEGORY OF SEAT: GENERAL SEAT / SEAT RESERVED FOR TECHNOCRAT INCLUDING  
AALIM / WOMAN / NON-MUSLIM  
NAME OF POLLING STATION \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ELECTION \_\_\_\_\_

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DETAILS OF MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS

- i. \_\_\_\_\_
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- iv. \_\_\_\_\_
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### **SCHEDULE-III**

#### **PART 'A'** **ILLUSTRATION**

[See rule 132]

Let it be assumed that there are ten Members to be elected and there are twenty candidates, A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S and T.

#### **1. FIRST COUNT**

*Arrangement and counting of voting papers.*— The voting papers having been examined, the papers that are invalid being rejected, the valid papers are arranged in separate parcels under the names of the candidates marked with figure 1. Each separate parcel is counted, and the result of the count may be supposed to be as follows:—

	Valid Paper
A .....	6
B .....	4
C .....	3
D .....	3
E .....	3
F .....	2
G .....	2
H .....	2
I .....	2
J .....	2
K .....	2
L .....	1
M .....	1
N .....	1
O .....	1
P .....	1
Q .....	1
R .....	1
S .....	1
T .....	1
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Each valid voting paper is deemed to be of the value of 100 and the values of the votes obtained by the respective candidates are as shown in the first count in the Result Sheet.

#### **The Quota**

*Ascertainment of quota.*— It is found that the full total values in all the parcels is 4000. This total is divided by 11 (i.e., the number which exceeds by one, the number of vacancies to be filled), and 364 (the quotient 363 disregarding the fractional remainder increased by (1) is the “Quota”, the value sufficient to secure the return of a candidate.

*Candidate with quota deemed to be elected.*— A’s and B’s values each exceed the quota and they are thus deemed to be elected. .

## 2. **SECOND COUNT**

**Transfer of surplus.**— A and B both have surpluses which have to be transferred.

**Largest surplus first.**— A's surplus of 236, being the largest is first transferred. This surplus arises from original votes, and therefore, the whole of A's papers are divided into sub-parcels according to the next available preferences thereon, a separate parcel being made of the non-transferable papers (any papers showing a second surplus for B—who, having a surplus, is deemed to be elected—being placed in the sub-parcel of the candidate for whom a third preference is indicated, or in the sub-parcel of non-transferable papers if a third preference is not indicated).

The result is found to be as follows:—

A next available preference is indicated for C on	2 papers
A next available preference is indicated for D on	1 paper
A next available preference is indicated for F on	1 paper
A next available preference is indicated for L on	1 paper
<b>Total of transferable papers</b>	<b>5 papers</b>
<b>Total of non-transferable paper</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total of papers</b>	<b>6</b>

The values of the papers in the sub-parcels are:—

to C.....	200
to D.....	100
to F.....	100
to L.....	100
<b>Total value of transferable papers</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>Total value of non-transferable papers</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Value Total</b>	<b>600</b>

**Value at which paper is to be transferred.**— The surplus is less than the total value of the transferable papers. The surplus is, therefore, transferred as follows:

All the transferable papers are transferred, but at a reduced value, which is ascertained by dividing the surplus by the number of transferable papers. The reduced value of all the papers, when added together, with the addition of any value lost as the result of fractions being disregarded, equals the surplus. In this case the new value of each paper transferred is  $236 \div 5$  (the number of transferable papers) = 47; the residue of the value of the five transferable papers, namely, 264 together with the non-transferable paper at its original value of 100, being required by A to constitute his quota. The loss of value owing to fractions being disregarded, as shown in the Result Sheet, is I.

The values of the sub-parcels transferred are:—

C-94 (i.e., 2 papers at the value of 47).  
D-47 (i.e., 1 paper at the value of 47).  
F-47 (i.e., 1 paper at the value of 47)  
L-47 (i.e., 1 paper at the value of 47).

The operations involved are summarized in the following table:—

#### TRANSFER OF A's SURPLUS

Value of surplus.....	236
Number of transferable papers.....	5
Number of non-transferable papers.....	1
Original value of each paper in A's parcel.....	100
Value of transferable papers.....	500
Value of non-transferable papers.....	100

New value of each paper transferred:—

$$\frac{\text{Surplus}}{\text{Number of transferable papers}} = \frac{236}{5} = 47$$

Names of candidates indicated as the next available preference	No. of papers to be transferred	Value of sub-parcel to be transferred
C .....	2	94
D .....	1	47
F .....	1	47
L .....	1	47
Total.....	5	235
Number of non-transferable papers .....	1	—
Loss of value owing to disregarding of fractions .....	—	1
Total.....	6	236

The result of this operation is as shown on the Result Sheet under the heading Second Count.

### 3. **THIRD COUNT**

**Transfer of surplus arising at a prior count.**— C now has surplus, which it is necessary to transfer, but B's surplus, having arisen at a prior count, is first transferred.

B's surplus of 36 is transferred in a similar manner to A's but as there are no non-transferable papers, the value at which these papers are transferred is  $36 / 4 = 9$ .

The surplus is distributed, according to next available preferences, as follows:—

D — (1 x 9).....	9
G — (1 x 9) .....	9

L — (1 x 9) .....	9
M — (1 x 9) .....	9
Loss of value owing to disregard of fraction.....	<u>Nil</u>
Total	<u>36</u>

#### 4. **FOURTH COUNT**

***Transfer of surplus only sub-parcel last received examined.***— C's surplus of 30 is next to be transferred. In this case only the last sub-parcel received by C is taken into account. This sub-parcel consists of two papers transferred from A at the value of 47 each.

***Surplus less than total value of the transferable papers.***— The details are as follows:

Value of C's surplus.....	30	
Number of papers in sub-parcel.....	2	
Number of transferable papers.....	2	
Value of each paper.....	47	
Value of transferable papers .....	94	
New value of each paper transferred.....	<u>30</u>	= 15
	2	

A next available preference is shown for M on 1 paper and

A next available preference is shown for N on 1 paper.

The papers are transferred at the value of 15 and this value is credited to M and N respectively, as shown on the Result Sheet.

#### 5. **FIFTH COUNT**

***Exclusion of a candidate.***— No candidate now has a surplus, and one candidate has to be excluded. At the end of the fourth count, the lowest value credited to any candidate is 100. There are, however, six candidates to whom this value is credited, viz., O, P, Q, R, S, T who are also credited with equal values at all counts. One of these candidates has to be excluded. Two alternatives can be followed to do so.

Alternative-I.— The Returning Officer draws lots and O is excluded in this way.

Alternative-II.— The Returning Officer accordingly arranges the papers of these six candidates according to the next available preference recorded thereon for continuing candidates (including candidates O, P, Q, R, S, T)

The result of this arrangement is as follows:—

On O's paper the next available preference is indicated for T

On P's paper the next available preference is indicated for S.

On Q's paper the next available preference is indicated for R.

On R's paper the next available preference is indicated for Q.

On S's paper the next available preference is indicated for P.

On T's paper the next available preference is indicated for M.

The values are therefore:—

for M 100

for	O	Nil
for	P	100
for	Q	100
for	R	100
for	S	100
for	T	100

Thus the smallest value of next available preference indicated for candidates O, P, Q, R, S, T, is that shown for O *i.e.* Nil.

**Transfer at original value:**— O is accordingly excluded. O's parcel consists of one original paper which is transferred to T at its value of 100 (there are no sub-parcels).

## 6. **SIXTH COUNT**

**Determination by lot.**— No candidate has a surplus, and there are now four candidates equal and lowest. As a result of similar procedure it is found that the values of the next available preferences are in this case equal for each of the candidates in question; the Returning Officer therefore determines by lot which of the candidates namely P, Q, R, S, is to be excluded.

The slip of paper containing the name of S is drawn first, S is thus excluded and the value of this paper (100) is transferred to P.

## 7. **SEVENTH COUNT**

Similarly R is excluded, and the value of his original vote (100) is transferred to Q, the next available preference.

## 8. **EIGHTH COUNT**

No candidate has a surplus, N is lowest, and is excluded. N's parcel of original votes contains 1 paper on which a next available preference is indicated for H. The value of this paper is 100, its original value.

**Transfer of sub -Parcel containing transferred votes.**— The sub-parcel first received contains 1 paper which N received at a value of 15, and on which the next available preference is indicated for M.

The papers are transferred as follows: —

To	H	1 paper at the value of 100
To	M	1 paper at the value of 15

Each of these transfers is carried out separately, but the combined result is shown on the Result Sheet under the heading Eighth Count.

## 9. **NINTH COUNT**

There is still no surplus, M being credited with the lowest value, has to be excluded.

His parcel contains 1 original paper, on which the next available preference is expressed for E; this paper is, therefore, transferred to E at the value of 100. The value of E's votes now exceeds the quota, and he is declared elected.

M has also three sub-parcels, as follows:—



- (a) Sub-parcel received first, containing 1 paper at the value of 9. This paper bears a next preference for E, but as E is now elected; this paper is not given to E but is transferred instead to the next available preference after E, which is I.
- (b) Sub-parcel received second, containing 1 paper at the value of 15. The next available preference on this paper is for P.
- (c) Sub-parcel received third, containing 1 paper at the value of 15. This paper bears a next available preference for T.

Thus, the transfers in this count are as follows:—

To	E	1 paper at the value of 100
To	I	1 paper at the value of 9
To	P	1 paper at the value of 15
To	T	1 paper at the value of 15

## 10. TENTH COUNT

E's surplus of 36 must now be transferred. This arises from the last sub-parcel E received which contains 1 paper at the value of 100. This paper is therefore, transferred at the value of 36; the next available preference expressed on it is for T.

## 11. ELEVENTH COUNT

L is now lowest.

His parcel of original votes contains one paper, on which F is indicated as next preference.

This paper is transferred to F at the value of 100.

The sub-parcel first received contains one paper received at the value of 47, indicating no further available preference.

This paper is non-transferable at its value of 47.

In the sub-parcel net received, the paper contained therein indicates J as the next available preference.

This paper is transferred to J at its value of 9.

## 12. TWELFTH COUNT

*Two candidates equal and lowest. Regard had to total value of original votes.*— There is still no surplus. Two candidates are lowest, and are equal, K and Q being each credited with the value of 200. Regard is therefore had to the total-value of original votes credited to these candidates, K had 200 and Q 100. Q is therefore, excluded.

- (a) On examination of Q's parcels, it is found that in the parcel of original votes there is one paper on which no preference is indicated for a continuing candidate. (This paper indicated a next preference for R who has been already excluded).
- (b) The sub-parcel received by Q from R on exclusion at the value of 100 indicates K as next available preference.

The value of 100 is added to the value of the non-transferable papers not effective in respect of the parcel.

The value of 100 is credited to K in respect of sub-parcel.

### 13. **THIRTEENTH COUNT**

*Regard had to first count at which values were unequal.*— There are now three candidates lowest, viz, G, I, J, the value in each case being 209.

The values were equal at the first count, and regard is therefore had to the earliest count at which they had unequal values.

		<b>First count</b>	<b>Third count</b>	<b>Ninth count</b>
G	.....	200	209	209
I	.....	200	200	209
J	.....	200	200	200

J is thus lowest and is excluded.

J's parcel of original votes is examined and found to contain 2 papers (original value of 100 each).

On one paper the next available preference is indicated for G and on the other paper no preference is indicated for a continuing candidate.

The paper is accordingly transferred to G at a value of 100 and the non-transferable paper set aside at the value of 100.

The sub-parcel contains one paper received at the value of 9, which indicates I as next available preference. This paper is transferred to I at the value of 9.

### 14. **FOURTEENTH COUNT**

G and I, having each received votes by transfer on the thirteenth count, are no longer lowest; each has more votes than P, who is lowest with 215.

P is therefore excluded.

His parcel and sub-parcels (two) are similarly examined, and it is found that the next available preference on the original vote was for I.

Note: The next preference was for S, who at this count is not a continuing candidate, having been excluded.

(a) In the sub-parcel first received, containing one paper (at the sixth count at the value of 100), a next available preference is indicated for T.

(b) In the next sub-parcel, containing one paper received at the value of 15 (ninth count), no further available preference is indicated.

The paper at (a) is transferred to T at the value of 100.

The paper at (b) is set aside as not effective at the value of 15.

There are now six vacancies remaining to be filled, and there are seven continuing candidates. Two of these candidates, H and K, are lowest, but are equal. Upon examination it is found that at the first count (viz. the eighth), at which the values credited to them were unequal, K was lowest, K is, therefore, formally excluded. Thus the number of continuing candidates is equal to the number of vacancies remaining unfilled:

*Last vacancies.*— These remaining vacancies being filled, no further transfer is required.

## **Part 'B'**

### **ILLUSTRATION**

[See rule 132]

Let it be assumed that there are 19 seats which include 5 reserved seats for Ulema, technocrats and other professionals.

23 candidates are seeking election to general seats and of them 11 candidates are for reserved seats.

The procedure for election is as under:—

- (a) All the candidates are listed on one ballot paper but the candidates for general and special seats are listed under separate categories “G” and “S”.
- (b) Every voter has to record 19 preferences on one ballot paper. 5 preferences must be recorded in category “S”.
- (c) Counting of votes will be done together. 14 candidates scoring the highest votes in category “G” and 5 candidates scoring the highest votes in category “S” will be declared elected, regardless of whether there are some candidates in category “G” whose scores are higher than those declared elected in category “S” or *vice versa*.

The following is the practical example:

#### **Category “G”**

<i>Candidate</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
A	1100	
B	900	
C	1400	
D	400	
E	500	
F	1000	
H	700	
J	800	
K	1300	
L	1200	
M	800	
N	300	
O	200	
Q	1400	
R	1300	
S	700	
T	600	
U	700	
V	800	
W	900	
X	1000	
Y	1100	

**Category “S”**

Z	1200
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<i>Candidate</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
AA	1100	
BB	700	
CC	300	
DD	700	
EE	1400	
FF	500	
GG	700	
HH	400	
JJ	400	
KK	500	
LL	600	

The following who have scored the highest votes will be declared elected:—

**Category “G”**

<i>Candidate</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
C	1400	
Q	1400	
R	1300	
K	1300	
L	1200	
Z	1200	
A	1100	
Y	1100	
F	1000	
X	1000	
B	900	
W	900	
J	800	
M	800	

**Category “S”**

<i>Candidate</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
EE	1400	
AA	1100	
DD	700	
BB	700	
GC	700	

## RESULT SHEET

Number of valid votes = 40  
Total value of valid votes = 4000

Number of candidates to be elected = 10

Quota (sufficient to secure the election of a candidate)

$$\frac{4000}{10+1} = 363+1 = 364$$

Names of candidates	1 <sup>st</sup> Count	2 <sup>nd</sup> Count		3 <sup>rd</sup> Count		4 <sup>th</sup> Count		5 <sup>th</sup> Count		6 <sup>th</sup> Count		7 <sup>th</sup> Count		8 <sup>th</sup> Count	
	Value of votes	Transfer of A's surplus	Result	Transfer of B's surplus	Result	Transfer of C's surplus	Result	Transfer of O's surplus	Result	Transfer of S's surplus	Result	Transfer of R's surplus	Result	Transfer of N's surplus	Result
A.....	600	(-)236	364		364		364		364		364		364		364
B.....	400		400	(-)36	364		364		364		364		364		364
C.....	300	+94	394		394	(-)30	364		364		364		364		364
D.....	300	+47	347	+9	356		356		356		356		356		356
E.....	300		300		300		300		300		300		300		300
F.....	200	+47	247		247		247		247		247		247		247
G.....	200		200	+9	209		209		209		209		209		209
H.....	200		200		200		200		200		200		200	+100	300
I.....	200		200		200		200		200		200		200		200
J.....	200		200		200		200		200		200		200		200
K.....	200		200		200		200		200		200		200		200
L.....	100	+47	147	+9	156		156		156		156		156		156
M.....	100		100	+9	109	+15	124		124		124		124	+15	139
N.....	100		100		100	+15	115		115		115		115	(-)115	--
O.....	100		100		100		100	(-)100	--		--		--		--
P.....	100		100		100		100		100	+100	200		200		200
Q.....	100		100		100		100		100		100	+100	200		200
R.....	100		100		100		100		100		100	(-)100	--		--
S.....	100		100		100		100		100	(-)100	--		--		--
T.....	100		100		100		100	+100	200		200		200		200
Non-transferable loss due to disregard of fractions		+1	1		1		1		1		1		1		1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>4,000</b>		<b>4,000</b>		<b>4,000</b>		<b>4,000</b>		<b>4,000</b>		<b>4,000</b>		<b>4,000</b>		<b>4,000</b>

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

**FORM-1**

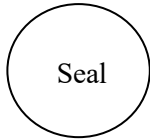
[see rule-4(14)]

**WARRANT OF ARREST**

To .....  
(Name and designation of person or persons who is or are to execute the warrant)

Whereas Mr. ....(name) son/daughter/wife of  
..... r/o..... is  
charged with contempt of Commission under section 10 of the Elections Act, 2017, hence, you are  
hereby directed to arrest the said Mr. .... and produce him before  
the Commission on ..... (date) on ..... (time) at ..... (place).

Dated this ..... day of ..... 20.....



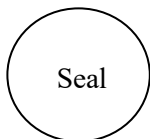
Signature of the officer .....

Contact No. ....

**Endorsement:**

If the said Mr. .... shall give bail himself in the sum of  
Rupees..... (Rs.....) with one surety in the  
sum of Rupees..... (Rs.....) or with two  
sureties in the sum of Rupees..... (Rs.....) to  
attend before the Commission on the ..... day of ..... , 20..... and to continue  
so to attend unless otherwise directed by the Commission, he may be released.

Dated this ..... day of ..... 20.....



Signature of the Officer .....

Contact No. ....

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

**FORM-2**

[see rule 4(14)]

**WARRANT OF ARREST IN THE FIRST INSTANCE TO BRING UP A  
WITNESS**

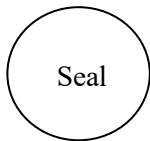
To

.....  
(Name and designation of person or persons who is or are to execute the warrant)

Whereas a petition / complaint has been made before the Commission regarding  
.....  
.....  
.....(mention facts of petition / complaint concisely), and it  
appears likely that Mr..... (name and description of witness) can give  
evidence concerning the said complaint / petition; and whereas the Commission has good and  
sufficient reason to believe that the said witness will not attend as witness on the hearing of the said  
petition / complaint unless compelled to do so.

This is to authorize and require you to arrest the said .....  
(name) and to bring him on the ..... day of ....., 20..... before the  
Commission to be examined touching the facts of the petition / complaint.

Dated this ..... day of ..... 20.....



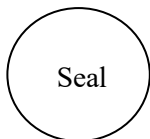
Signature of the officer .....

Contact No. ....

**Endorsement:**

If the said Mr. .... shall give bail himself in the sum of  
Rupees..... (Rs.....) with one surety in the  
sum of Rupees..... (Rs.....) or with two  
sureties in the sum of Rupees..... (Rs.....) to  
attend before the Commission on the ..... day of ....., 20..... and to continue  
so to attend unless otherwise directed by the Commission, he may be released..

Dated this ..... day of ..... 20.....



Signature of the officer .....

Contact No. ....



**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

**FORM-3**

[see rule 4(14)]

**WARRANT OF COMMITMENT IN OFFENCE OF CONTEMPT OF  
THE COMMISSION**

To

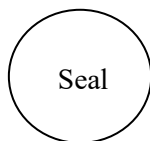
The Superintendent (Keeper of the Jail at .....)

WHEREAS in proceedings held before the Commission on this day  
Mr..... (Name & description of the contemnor) has been found guilty of  
willful contempt of the Commission;

And whereas, for such contempt the said Mr..... (name of  
offender) has been adjudged by the Commission to undergo sentence of imprisonment (the number  
of months /days) and also to pay a fine of Rs.....  
(Rupees.....) or in default of payment of fine to further suffer  
simple imprisonment for ..... (the number of months or days).

This is to authorize and require you, the Superintendent (Keeper) of the said Jail to receive  
the said Mr..... (name of contemnor) into your custody together  
with this warrant and to keep him safely in the said jail for the said period of .....  
(term of imprisonment) and forthwith set him at liberty on the expiry of imprisonment and also  
undergoing sentence in default of payment of fine if not paid, returning this warrant with an  
endorsement certifying the manner of its execution.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Commission, this ..... day ..... 20.....



Signature of officer .....

Contact No. ....

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

**FORM-4**

[see rule 4(14)]

**WARRANT OF COMMITMENT IN CONTEMPT OF THE  
COMMISSION WHEN A FINE IS IMPOSED**

To

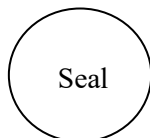
The Superintendent (Keeper of the Jail at .....)

WHEREAS in proceedings held before the Commission on this day  
Mr..... (Name & description of the contemnor) in presence (or view) of the  
Commission committed willful contempt;

And whereas, for such contempt the said Mr..... (name of  
offender) has been adjudged by the Commission to pay a fine of Rs..... (Rupees  
.....) or in default of payment of fine suffer simple  
imprisonment for ..... (number of months or days).

This is to authorize and require you, the Superintendent (Keeper) of the said Jail to receive  
the said ..... (name of contemnor) into your custody together with this warrant and to  
keep him safely in the said jail for the said period of ..... (term of imprisonment) unless the  
said fine be sooner paid; and, on the receipt thereof, forthwith set him at liberty, returning this  
warrant with an endorsement certifying the manner of its execution.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Commission, this ..... day ..... 20.....



Signature of officer .....

Contact No. ....

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

**FORM-5**

[see rule 10(7)]

**DRAFT LIST OF CONSTITUENCIES**

Name of <sup>1</sup>[Province/Federal Capital]: .....

National Assembly / <sup>2</sup>[Provincial Assembly] .....

No. and name of constituency	Extent of the constituency	Population
1	2	3

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1..... 2.....3.....

(Name, designation & signatures of Delimitation Committee members)

Dated: .....

Place: .....

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.650(I)/ 2018 dated 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018.

# ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

## FORM-6

[see rule 12(6)]

### REGISTER OF REPRESENTATIONS FILED AGAINST PRELIMINARY DELIMITATION OF CONSTITUENCIES

Name of <sup>1</sup>[Province/Federal Capital]: .....

National Assembly / <sup>2</sup>[Provincial Assembly] .....

Sl. No.	Date of filing	Name & address of person filing representation	<sup>3</sup> [District]	No. & name of constituency objected to	Date of hearing	Decision of the Commission	
						Accepted	Rejected
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

1

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etc.

Signature and stamp of Officer Incharge

Dated: .....

Place: .....

<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.650(I)/ 2018 dated 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018.

<sup>3</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

# **ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

## **FORM-7**

[see rule 14]

### **FINAL LIST OF CONSTITUENCIES**

Name of <sup>1</sup>[Province/Federal Capital]: .....

National Assembly / <sup>2</sup>[Provincial Assembly] .....

No. and name of constituency	Extent of the constituency
1	2

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By order of the Election Commission

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.650(I)/ 2018 dated 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018.

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

**FORM-8**

[see rule 19]

**PRELIMINARY LIST OF CONSTITUENCIES FOR  
A LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

Name (and number, if any) of Local Government: .....

Name of Tehsil/Taluka: .....

Name of <sup>1</sup>[District]: .....

No. and name of constituency	Extent of the constituency (names of electoral areas)	Census blocks included in the constituency	Population
1	2	3	4

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1..... 2.....3.....

(Name, designation & signatures of Delimitation Committee members)

Dated: .....

Place: .....

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

**FORM-9**

[see rule 21(5)]

**FINAL LIST OF CONSTITUENCIES FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

Name (and number, if any) of Local Government: .....

Name of Tehsil/Taluka: .....

Name of <sup>1</sup>[District]: .....

No. and name of constituency	Extent of the constituency (names of electoral areas)	Census blocks included in the constituency
1	2	3

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1..... 2..... 3.....

(Name, designation & signatures of Delimitation Committee members)

Dated:.....

Place: .....

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

# **ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

## **FORM-10**

[see rule 22]

### **REGISTER OF OBJECTIONS FILED AGAINST PRELIMINARY DELIMITATION OF CONSTITUENCIES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

Name (and number, if any) of Local Government: .....

Name of Tehsil/Taluka: .....

Name of <sup>1</sup>[District]: .....

Sl. No.	Date of filing	Name and address of person filing representation	No. and name of constituency objected to	Date of hearing	Decision of the Delimitation Authority	
					Accepted	Rejected
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

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etc.

Name, designation,  
signature and stamp of  
Delimitation Authority

Dated: .....

Place: .....

<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.



**FORM-11**

[see rule 25(1)]

**ELECTORAL ROLLS**Name of the electoral area..... Census block code 

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Mauza/village/city.....Name of patwar circle/tapedar circle.....

Tehsil/taluka.....<sup>1</sup>[District].....

Serial No.	Gharana No.	Name	Father's/ husband's name	National Identity Card No.	Age	Address
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

1

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9

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etc.

Signature of Registration Officer

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

**FORM-12**

[see rule 25(5)]

**ELECTORAL ROLLS**

Name of the electoral area..... Census block code

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Mauza/village/city.....Name of patwar circle/tapedar circle.....

Tehsil/taluka.....<sup>1</sup>[District] .....

Serial No.	Gharana No.	Name	Father's/ Husband's name	National Identity Card No.	Age	Address	Photograph of voter*	Thumb impression of voter*
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

1

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3

4

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9

10

etc.

Signature of Registration Officer

\*The columns 8 &amp; 9 shall appear on the electoral rolls to be used by the Presiding Officer at polling station.

<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

# ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

## FORM-13

[see rule 27(1)]

### **STATEMENT CONTAINING PARTICULARS OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS**

Name of the electoral area..... Census block code 



 Gharana No.....

Name and particulars of persons residing in House No..... street/mohallah.....  
City/town/village..... Patwar circle /tapedar circle.....

Tehsil/taluka .....<sup>1</sup> [District].....

are eligible to be enrolled in the electoral roll of above electoral area.

Sl. No.	Name	*Father's/ Husband's Name	Date of Birth			National Identity Card No.										Address as per National Identity Card opted for registration of vote [Tick (✓) the relevant box]	
			Day	Month	Year											Temporary	Permanent
<b>Men</b>																	
1																	
2																	
3																	
4																	
5																	
<b>Women</b>																	
1		*Daughter/wife of															
2		*Daughter/wife of															
3		*Daughter/wife of															
4		*Daughter/wife of															
5		*Daughter/wife of															

\*Strike off the word which is not applicable.

Religion: Muslim ☐ Christian ☐ Hindu ☐ Sikh ☐  
Buddhist ☐ Parsi ☐ Qadiani/Ahmadi ☐ Other non-Muslim ☐

Note: Tick (✓) the relevant box.

#### **Oath (only for Muslims)**

I do solemnly swear that I and all the members of my family listed above believe in the absolute and unqualified finality of the Prophethood of Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him), the last of the Prophets, and that none of us is the follower of anyone who claims to be a Prophet in any sense of the word or of any description whatsoever after Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him) and that none of us recognizes such a claimant to be a prophet or a religious reformer nor does any one of us belong to the Qadiani group or Lahori group or calls himself or herself an Ahmadi.

Signature and thumb impression of the head of the household or any  
other member of the family eligible to be enrolled in the electoral  
roll.

<sup>1</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.



[illegible][illegible]

Countersignature of Registration Officer with stamp

**Note 2**—Preliminary electoral roll shall be displayed for public inspection at conspicuous places determined by the Commission in the district while the final electoral will be available in the office of the Registration Officer concerned. In order to ensure that your name as well as the names of the members of your family have been entered in the rolls, you are advised to inspect the rolls on the above-said places. If any name is found to be omitted, or there is any mistake in the draft rolls, please immediately apply to the Registration officer concerned on the prescribed form for inclusion of the name or for correction of the mistake, as the case may be. Please also inspect the final rolls, when published to ensure that all the entries have been correctly recorded therein.

**Note 3**—The particulars of a voter shall be written according to the particulars mentioned in the National Identity Card issued by National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA).

# ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

## FORM-14

[see rule 28(1)]

### APPLICATION BY PERSON IN THE SERVICE OF PAKISTAN

I ..... (name of applicant) under sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 27 of the Elections Act, 2017, hereby seek enrolment of myself and my family members in the electoral roll of the electoral area wherein I am temporarily residing for being in the service of Pakistan as ..... (designation) in ..... (department/ organization).

2. The particulars of me and my family members who are residing with me are given below:

Name of the electoral area..... Census block code 

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Gharana No..... House No..... street/mohallah.....  
City/town/village..... Patwar circle /tapedar circle .....  
Tehsil/taluka .....<sup>1</sup> District.....

Sl. No.	Name	Father's/ Husband's Name	Date of Birth			National Identity Card No.											
			Day	Month	Year												
<b>Men</b>																	
1																	
2																	
3																	
4																	
5																	
<b>Women</b>																	
1		*Daughter/wife of															
2		*Daughter/wife of															
3		*Daughter/wife of															
4		*Daughter/wife of															
5		*Daughter/wife of															

\*Strike off the word which is not applicable.

Religion: Muslim ☐ Christian ☐ Hindu ☐ Sikh ☐  
Buddhist ☐ Parsi ☐ Qadiani/Ahmadi ☐ Other non-Muslim ☐

Note: Tick (✓) the relevant box.

### Oath (only for Muslims)

I do solemnly swear that I and all the members of my family listed above believe in the absolute and unqualified finality of the Prophethood of Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him), the last of the Prophets, and that none of us is the follower of anyone who claims to be a Prophet in any sense of the word or of any description whatsoever after Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him), and that none of us recognizes such a claimant to be a prophet or a religious reformer nor does any one of us belong to the Qadiani group or Lahori group or calls himself or herself an Ahmadi.

Signature of the applicant	Thumb impression of the applicant	Date		
		Day	Month	Year

Note: Thumb impression is mandatory.

<sup>1</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN  
RECEIPT**

Name of electoral area.....Census block code 

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 Gharana No.....  
Received a statement (Form-14) from Mr./Mrs./Miss.....son/wife/daughter  
of.....House No..... street/mohallah .....  
City/town/ village ..... Tehsil/taluka .....  
<sup>1</sup>[District].....  
Date.....

Signature of Registration Officer

**Declaration**

I declare and solemnly affirm that—

- (i) I am a citizen of Pakistan.
- (ii) My husband/wife/son/daughter whose particulars are given above and who is/are also citizen of Pakistan, ordinarily reside with me and may be registered in the electoral roll of the electoral area mentioned above.
- (iii) Neither I have nor any member of my family mentioned above has applied for enrolment in the electoral roll of any other electoral area and if our names are already registered as voters in any other electoral area in Pakistan, the same may be deleted.

Signature of the Applicant	Thumb impression of the Applicant	Date		
		Day	Month	Year
		Contact No. _____		

**Note:** Thumb impression is mandatory.

**Note:** Any person who makes a false declaration or gives information which he knows or believes to be false or does not believe to be true is liable to punishment under sections 182 and 199 of the Pakistan Penal Code (Act XLV of 1860)

**FOR USE IN THE OFFICE OF REGISTRATION OFFICER**

Decision of the Registration Officer .....

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Brief reasons in case of rejection.....

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.....

Signature of Registration Officer

Date.....

<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.





Signature of claimant	Thumb impression of claimant	Date		
		Day	Month	Year

Note: Thumb impression is mandatory.

### Declaration

I do hereby declare and solemnly affirm that the particulars mentioned above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of claimant	Thumb impression of claimant	Date		
		Day	Month	Year
		Contact No. _____		

Note: Thumb impression is mandatory.

Postal Address.....  
.....

### \*AUTHORIZATION

I hereby authorize Mr./Ms. .... s/o, d/o, w/o .....  
having NIC No. 

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 to present this claim on my behalf.

Note: The authority can only be given to father, mother, spouse, son or daughter.

Signature of claimant	Thumb impression of claimant	Date		
		Day	Month	Year
Contact No.....				
Signature of authorized person	Thumb impression of authorized person			
Relation with claimant.....				
Contact No.....				

Postal address of authorized person .....  
.....

\*Strike off when no authorization has been given.

Note.—Any person who makes a false declaration or gives information which he knows or believes to be false or does not believe to be true is liable to punishment under sections 182 and 199 of the Pakistan Penal Code (Act. XLV of 1860).

(To be filled in by the office of the Revising Authority)

Claim No.....

Filed on .....

Date of hearing .....

Received notice of date of hearing.

Signature of claimant/ authorized person	Thumb impression of claimant/ authorized person	Date		
		Day	Month	Year

Note: Thumb impression is mandatory.

Decision of Revising Authority.....  
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Signature and stamp of the Revising Authority

Date.....

**PART II**  
**NOTICE**

[See rule 34(3)(a)]

(To be filled in by the claimant)

To

Name of the claimant ..... son/wife/daughter of .....

Full address of the claimant.....  
.....

(To be filled in by the office of the Revising Authority)

Reference claim No. .... of .....

Son/wife/daughter of ..... resident of .....

For inclusion of his/her name in the electoral roll for the electoral area .....

having census block code 

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Take notice that the claim will be heard on .....date)  
at ..... (time) at..... (place) and you are directed  
to be present at the hearing with such further evidence if any, as you may wish to provide.

Date .....

(Signature and stamp of Revising Authority)

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE OF NOTICE**

(To be filled in by the serving officer unless served by post)

Certified that the notice on the claimant has been duly served by me on (date) .....  
on Mr./Ms. .... personally.

Date.....

Place.....

Signature of serving officer.....  
Name, designation with place of posting .....

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN  
RECEIPT**

Claim No.....

Name of electoral area..... Census block code 

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Received claim for inclusion (Form-15) from Mr./Mrs./Miss.....

son/wife/daughter of..... House No..... street/Mohallah .....

City/Town/ village ..... Tehsil/Taluka/Town.....

<sup>1</sup>[District].....

.....  
(Signature of Revising Authority/Registration  
Officer/Assistant Registration Officer /Display Centre In-charge)

Date.....

Name.....

Designation.....

Place of posting.....

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

## **OBJECTION TO INCLUSION OF NAME**

### **PART I**

(a) .....

(b) .....

(c) .....

I hereby declare that the particulars mentioned above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

**Note:** Thumb impression is mandatory.

Postal Address.....

<sup>2</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.



**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE OF NOTICE ON OBJECTOR**

(To be filled in by the serving officer unless served by post)

Certified that the notice on the objector has been duly served by me on (date)  
..... on Mr./Ms ..... personally.

Date..... Signature of serving officer.....

Place..... Name designation with place of posting.....

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Notice to person objected to

**PART III**  
**NOTICE**

[see rule 34(3)(b)]

(To be filled in by the objector)

To

Name of the person objected to.....

Son/wife/daughter of .....

Full address .....

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(To be filled in by the office of the Revising Authority)

Reference Objection No. ....

It is to inform you that Mr./Ms.....

(objector) address.....has

raised objection on your entry in the electoral rolls of electoral area

.....having census block code 

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Take notice that the objection will be heard on ..... (date)

at .....(time) at ..... (place)

and you are directed to be present at the hearing with such further evidence, if any, as you may wish to provide.

The grounds of objection (in brief) are:

(a) .....

(b) .....

(c) .....

Date .....

Place .....

Signature and stamp of Revising Authority

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE OF NOTICE ON THE PERSON OBJECTED TO**

(To be filled in by the Serving Officer unless served by post)

Certified that the notice on the person objected to has been duly served by me on (date)

.....on Mr./Ms ..... personally.

Date..... Signature of serving officer.....

Place..... Name designation with place of posting.....

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**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN  
RECEIPT**

Objection No.....

Name of electoral area.....Census block code 

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Received objection to the inclusion of name (Form-16) from Mr./Mrs./Miss.....

son/wife/daughter of.....House No..... Street/mohallah .....

City/Town/ Village ..... Tehsil/taluka.....

<sup>1</sup>[District].....

.....  
(Signature of Revising Authority/Registration  
Officer/Assistant Registration Officer /Display Centre In-charge)

Date..... Name.....

Designation.....

Place of posting.....

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

[see rule 31]

## PART I

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\* Correction of name, father's name, husband's name, date of birth and address as per National Identity Card.

a. Name of applicant.....

b. Father's/husband's name .....

c. National Identity Card No. 

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d. Address.....

e. Contact No.....

**Note:** Thumb impression is mandatory.



**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN  
RECEIPT**

Application No.....

Name of electoral area ..... Census block code

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Received application for correction of particulars (Form-17) from

Mr./Mrs./Miss..... son/wife/daughter of .....

House No..... Street/Mohallah.....

City/Town/Village..... Tehsil/Taluka.....

<sup>1</sup>[District].....

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Signature of Revising Authority/  
Registration Officer/Assistant  
Registration Officer/Display Centre in-charge

Name .....

Designation .....

Date .....

Place of Posting .....

(To be filled in by the office of the Revising Authority)

Application No. .... Filed on .....

Date of hearing .....

Received notice of date of hearing

Signature of the applicant	Thumb impression of the applicant	Date		
		Day	Month	Year

Note: Thumb impression is mandatory.

Decision of the Revising Authority.....

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Signature and stamp of Revising Authority

Date .....

**PART II**

**NOTICE**

[see rule 34(3)(c)]

(To be filled in by the applicant)

To

Name of applicant .....

son/wife/daughter of .....

Full address of the applicant .....

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

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(To be filled in by the office of the Revising Authority)

Reference application No.....

Name of applicant .....Son/wife/daughter of

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voter of electoral area .....Census block code 

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Take notice that your application for correction of particulars in the electoral roll shall be heard on ..... (date) at ..... (time) at ..... (place).

You are directed to be present at the hearing with such further evidence, if any, as you may wish to provide.

Place.....

Date.....

Revising Authority

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE OF NOTICE**

(To be filled in by the serving officer unless served by post)

Certified that the notice on the applicant has been duly served by me on ..... (date) on Mr./Ms. .... personally.

Signature of Serving Officer  
Name, Designation and Place of Posting

Date.....

Place.....

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**FORM-18**  
[see rule 39(1)(b)]

**DATA TRANSMISSION OF FRESH NATIONAL IDENTITY CARDS FROM  
NATIONAL DATABASE AND REGISTRATION AUTHORITY**

For the period from ..... to .....

Sl. No.	National Identity Card No.	Name	Gender	Father' s Name	Father' s National Identity Card No.	Spouse Name	Spouse National Identity Card No.	Marital Status	Date of Birth	Religion	Permanent Address	Temporary Address	Address selected for registration of vote	Coordinates of temporary address	Coordinates of permanent address	Census Block Code of selected address	Tehsil/Taluka	<sup>1</sup> [District]	Contact Number	Photograph	Date of issuance of National Identity Card	Type of disability, if any	National Identity Card for Overseas Pakistanis (NICOP) holder (Yes/No)	In case applicant is NICOP holder		
Country	City	Address																								

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4  
etc.

<sup>1</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

**FORM-19**

[see rule 39(2)(a) &amp; (b)]

**DATA TRANSMISSION OF CANCELLED NATIONAL IDENTITY CARDS / DECEASED PERSONS FROM  
NATIONAL DATABASE AND REGISTRATION AUTHORITY**

For the period from ..... to .....

Sl. No.	Name	National Identity Card No.	Reason		Date of registration of death/ cancellation of National Identity Card	No. and name of Local Government where death registered	Particulars of person who reported death in local government			Tehsil / Taluka	District
			Death	Cancelled National Identity Card			Name with father/husband name	Relation with deceased	National Identity Card No.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

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etc.

**FORM-20**  
[see rule 39(2)(c)]

**DATA TRANSMISSION OF MODIFIED NATIONAL IDENTITY CARDS FROM  
NATIONAL DATABASE AND REGISTRATION AUTHORITY**

For the period from ..... to .....

Sl. No.	Name	National Identity Card No.	which column of National Identity Card modified	Modified / corrected entry	National Identity Card modification date	District	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

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etc.





**To be filled in by the Registration Officer**

Decision of the Registration officer:.....

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Brief reason(s) in case of rejection: :.....

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Date .....

Signature and stamp of Registration officer

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**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**FORM-22**  
[see rule 41(1)]  
**APPLICATION FOR DELETION OF VOTE UNDER**  
**SECTION 37 OF THE ELECTIONS ACT 2017**

**Part I**

Form No.....

I request that under mentioned person's name may be deleted from the electoral roll. His/her particulars are as follows:

1. Name of electoral area..... 2. Census block code
3. Name ..... 4. Father's/husband's name .....
5. Part of the Electoral Rolls: Male ☐ Female ☐ 6. Serial No. in electoral roll .....
7. National Identity Card No.
8. Tehsil/taluka ..... 9. <sup>1</sup>[District].....
10. Reason for deletion (Tick only one option): Death ☐ Surrendered Pakistani nationality ☐ Other objections ☐
11. Certificate No. (if any) ..... 12. Issuing authority .....
13. "Disqualification Evidence" attached: Yes ☐ No ☐
14. Reason(s) for other objections in detail .....

**Applicant/objector particulars**

1. Name of electoral area..... 2. Census block code
3. Name: ..... 4. Father's/Husband's name: ..... 5. Serial No. in electoral roll.....
6. National Identity Card No.
7. House No..... 8. Street/mohallah ..... 9. City/town/village: .....
10. Tehsil/taluka: ..... 11. <sup>2</sup>[District]..... 12. Contact No. : .....

Declaration : I hereby declare that the particulars mentioned above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date:

Day	Month	Year

Applicant's signature	Applicant's thumb impression

**Note:** Thumb Impression is mandatory.

**Note:** Any person who makes a false declaration or gives information which he knows or believes to be false or does not believe to be true is liable to punishment under sections 182 and 199 of the Pakistan Penal Code.

**To be filled in by the Registration Officer**

Objection No. ....

Filed on .....

Date of hearing .....

Received notice of date of hearing

Signature of Objector	Thumb impression of Objector	Date		
		Day	Month	Year

<sup>1</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

Signature and stamp of Registration officer

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**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**  
**RECEIPT**

Application No.....

Name of electoral area ..... Census block code 

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Received application for correction of voting particulars (Form-23) from Mr./Mrs./Ms.....

son/wife/daughter of ..... House No.....

Street/Mohallah..... City/Town/Village..... Tehsil/Taluka .....

<sup>1</sup> [District].....

Signature and stamp of Registration Officer

Date .....

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

**UNDERTAKING BY THE CANDIDATE / ELECTION AGENT  
FOR PROVISION OF SOFT COPY OF THE ELECTORAL ROLLS  
WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF VOTERS**

# ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

## FORM-25

[see rule 48(5)]

### LIST OF POLLING STAFF

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency .....

S. No.	No. and name of polling station	No. of booths provided at each polling station		Name, designation & office address of Presiding Officer	Name, designation & office address of Assistant Presiding Officer	Name, designation & office address of Polling Officer	Name and designation of senior Assistant Presiding Officer
		Male	Female				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1					1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ etc.	1. _____ 2. _____ etc.	
2					1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ etc.	1. _____ 2. _____ etc.	
3					1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ etc.	1. _____ 2. _____ etc.	
4					1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ etc.	1. _____ 2. _____ etc.	
etc.							
<b>5% reserved staff</b>							
					1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ etc.	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ etc.	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ etc.

Returning Officer

Dated: .....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

# ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

## FORM-26

[see rule 48(6)]

### APPOINTMENT ORDERS OF POLLING STAFF FOR ELECTION

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency .....

No. and name of polling station.....

No. of booths at the polling station: Male..... Female..... Total.....

Name, designation & office address of Presiding Officer	Name, designation & office address of Assistant Presiding Officer	Name, designation & office address of Polling Officer	Name and designation of senior Assistant Presiding Officer
1	2	3	4

1. \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

etc.

etc.

Signature and seal of  
the Returning Officer

Dated: .....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.



# ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

**FORM-27**

[see rule 49(1)]

## OATH BY ELECTION OFFICIALS

I, ....., (name) do solemnly swear that during my appointment  
as ..... at..... (polling station)  
..... (constituency) ..... (district), in  
connection with conduct of General Elections / Local Government Elections / Bye-election  
..... (year), I will discharge my duties and perform my functions, honestly, to the best of my  
ability, faithfully, in accordance with the provisions of the Elections Act, 2017 and the Election Rules 2017  
and in accordance with directions of the Election Commission of Pakistan without any fear or favour,  
affection or ill-will, and that I will not allow my personal interest to influence my official conduct and  
decisions.

Signature of election official .....

National Identity Card No.

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Designation of election official .....

Tehsil/Taluka.....

<sup>1</sup>[District].....

Signature of officer administering the oath .....

Designation .....

Place of posting .....

Date.....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

# ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

## FORM-28

[see rule 50]

### LIST OF POLLING STATIONS FOR A CONSTITUENCY

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency .....

S. No.	No. and name of polling station	In case of rural areas		In case of urban areas		S.No. of voters on the electoral roll in case electoral area is bifurcated	Number of voters assigned to polling station			Number of polling booths		
		Name of electoral area	Census block code	Name of electoral area	Census block code		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13

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etc.

\*\*District Election Commissioner /  
\*\*\*Returning Officer/  
\*\*\*\*District Returning Officer

Dated: .....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

\*\* To be signed by the District Election Commissioner while submitting draft list of polling stations to the Returning Officer under rule 50(1)

\*\*\*To be signed by the Returning Officer while submitting the list of polling stations for approval to the District Returning Officer under rule 50(3).

\*\*\*\*To be signed by the District Returning Officer while finalizing the list of polling stations under rule 50(4).

**FORM-29**

[see rules 52(1) &amp; 98(1)]

**DEPOSIT REGISTER**

Election to the ..... (\*Senate/ National/Provincial Assembly)

Sr. No.	Candidate's name	No. of nomination papers filed	Amount deposited	Particulars of Bank Challan or bank draft or if received in cash, of the receipt issued in <sup>1</sup> [Form-30]	Signature of Returning Officer	Disposal of the cash deposit/Bank draft (and remarks, if any)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

**FORM-30**

[see rules 52(2) and 98(2)]

**RECEIPT OF DEPOSIT****COUNTERFOIL**

Sl.No.....  
 Serial No. of nomination paper in the deposit register .....  
 Sum of Rs. ....received in cash/ bank draft.....deposited by.....  
 (name of candidate)

**RECEIPT**

Sl.No.....Received a sum of Rs.....  
 (Rupees..... in cash/ bank draft from ..... a candidate for election to ..... (\*Senate/ National/ Provincial Assembly) and entered in the Deposit Register under Sl.No..... dated .....

Signature and seal of the Returning Officer.

Date.....

Signature of the Returning Officer.

Date .....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.650(I)/ 2018 dated 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018.

**FORM-31**

[see rule 53]

**NOTICE IN RESPECT OF NOMINATED CANDIDATES**

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency .....

Serial No.	Name of Candidate	Father's/ husband's name	National Identity Card No	Address of candidate
1	2	3	4	5
1				
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etc.				

Place .....

Date .....

Signature of Returning Officer

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

**FORM-32**

[see rule 55(1)]

**LIST OF VALIDLY NOMINATED CANDIDATES**

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency .....

Serial No.	Name of candidate	Father's/husband's name	Address of candidate
1	2	3	4
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etc.			

Place .....

Date .....

Signature of Returning Officer

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\*Strike off the words not applicable.

**FORM-33**

[see rule 56(1)]

**LIST OF CONTESTING CANDIDATES**

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
 Sindh  
 Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
 Balochistan

No. and name of constituency .....

Serial No.	Name of the contesting candidate in the Urdu alphabetical order	Address of the contesting candidate	Symbol allocated	Party affiliation, if any
1	2	3	4	5

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etc.

Notice is hereby given that the poll shall be taken between the hours  
 of..... to ..... on (date) .....

Place .....

Date .....

Signature of Returning Officer

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

**FORM-34**

[see rule 57(2)]

**RETURN OF UNCONTESTED ELECTION**

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency .....

No. of registered voters: Male..... Female..... Total.....

I, ..... Returning Officer, do hereby declare under section 75(1) of the Elections Act 2017 that the following candidate has been duly elected un-contested:

Sr. No.	Name of contesting candidate	Father's / Husband's name	Party affiliation, if any	Address
1	2	3	4	5

Date.....

Place.....

Signature of Returning Officer

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\*Strike off the words not applicable.

**FORM-35**

[see rule 59(1)]

**BALLOT PAPER**

(Number and name of constituency)

.....

(Number and name of constituency)

.....

Serial No.....

Name

Symbol

National Identity Card No. of the voter

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Name

Symbol

Serial no. of voter on electoral roll .....

Name

Symbol

Part of electoral roll .....

Male	Female
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Name

Symbol

Name of electoral area.....

Name

Symbol

Thumb impression of the voter. ....

Name

Symbol

Signature of Presiding Officer.....

Name

Symbol

Official stamp.....

Name

Symbol



**FORM-36**  
[see rule 64(1)]  
**PACKING INVOICE**

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

1. No. and name of constituency .....
2. No. and name of polling station .....
3. No. of voters assigned to the polling station Male ..... Female ..... Total .....
4. No. of booths Male ..... Female ..... Total .....
5. Details of ballot papers:

Description (National Assembly / Provincial Assembly)	Quantity of ballot papers	No. of books	Sr.No.of books		Sr.No.of ballot papers	
			From	To	From	To

6. Official code mark stamps [two per booth plus <sup>1</sup>[one per polling station]]

(a) Quantity .....

- (b) Code(s):
- |             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| (i) .....   | (vi) .....   |
| (ii) .....  | (vii) .....  |
| (iii) ..... | (viii) ..... |
| (iv) .....  | (ix) .....   |
| (v) .....   | (x) .....    |

7. Rubber stamps for marking ballot papers ( <sup>2</sup> [three per polling booth plus one per polling station])	
8. Serial number of brass seal (one per polling station)	
9. Indelible ink vials (one per booth plus two per polling station)	
10. Plastic seals for ballot boxes (five per ballot box) plus extra .....	
11. Standardized stamp pads (two per booth + one per polling station )	
12. Standard stationery pack (one per polling station)	

**Received above articles in sealed bag**

Signature of the Presiding Officer.....

Signature of the Returning Officer.....

Date: .....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.650(I)/ 2018 dated 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.650(I)/ 2018 dated 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2018.

[see rule 65(1)]

Serial No.....

No. and name of constituency .....

Name of voter .....

National Identity Card number of the voter      

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Serial no. of voter in the electoral roll .....

Name of electoral area.....

Census block code      

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Serial No.....

No. and name of constituency .....

In the space below, write the name of the contesting candidate for whom you wish to vote.

(Signature and seal of the Returning Officer  
who issued this ballot paper)

(Signature and seal of the Returning Officer  
who received this postal ballot paper)

[see rule 66(2)(a)]

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

**(This field is to be used only when the voter signs the declaration himself)**

I hereby declare that I am the Voter to whom the postal ballot paper bearing serial number ..... has been issued at the above election.

Signature of voter.....

Thumb impression of the voter.....

Name of voter .....

National Identity Card number of voter

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Date.....

Address.....

**(Attestation of signature)**

The above has been signed in my presence by ..... (voter) who is personally known to \*me/has been identified to my satisfaction by ..... (identifier) who is personally known to me.

Signature of identifier, if any .....

Address .....

Signature of attesting officer .....

Name &amp; designation .....

Date .....

Official stamp.....

**(This field is to be used when the voter cannot sign himself)**

I hereby declare that I am the voter to whom the postal ballot paper bearing serial number ..... has been issued at the above election.

Signature of attesting officer on behalf of voter.....

Name & designation.....

Date .....

Official stamp.....

**(This field is to be used when the voter is disabled)**

I hereby declare that I am the voter to whom the postal ballot paper bearing serial number ..... has been issued at the above election and I hereby authorize Mr./Mrs./Ms..... who is my father / mother /brother /sister /spouse /son/daughter to sign the declaration on my behalf.

Signature or thumb impression of the person  
with disability

Date .....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

## CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that :—

- (1) the above named voter is \*personally known to me/has been identified to my satisfaction by ..... (identifier) who is personally known to me;
- (2) I am satisfied that the voter is \*illiterate/suffers from ..... (infirmary) and is unable to record his vote himself or sign his declaration;
- (3) I was requested by him to mark the ballot paper and to sign the above declaration on his behalf; and
- (4) the ballot paper was marked and the declaration signed by me on his behalf, in his presence and in accordance with his wishes; or
- (5) I am satisfied that the voter namely ..... is a person with disability who is unable to travel and possesses the national identity card with disability logo issued by National Database and Registration Authority and on whose behalf Mr./Mrs./Ms..... appeared before me, who is father / mother /brother /sister/spouse/son/daughter of the said voter, and signed the declaration in my presence.

Signature of identifier, if any .....

Address .....

Signature of attesting officer.....

Designation .....

Official stamp.....

Address .....

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Date .....

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\*Strike off the words not applicable.

**FORM-39**

[see rule 66(2)(b)]

**COVER**

**‘A’ NOT TO BE OPENED BEFORE COUNTING**

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency .....

POSTAL BALLOT PAPER

Serial number of ballot paper.....

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\*Strike off the words not applicable.

**FORM-40**

[see rule 66(2)(c)]

**COVER**

**‘B’ NOT TO BE OPENED BEFORE COUNTING**

Number and name of constituency.....

ELECTION IMMEDIATE  
POSTAL BALLOT PAPER

To

The Returning Officer\* .....  
.....

.Certified that this cover was accepted for delivery on..... (date).

Postal seal with date

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\*Full postal address of the Returning Officer to be inserted here.

## **FORM-41**

[see rule 66(2)(d)]

### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE GUIDANCE OF VOTERS VOTING BY POSTAL BALLOT**

You know the names of the candidates contesting election from your home constituency. If you desire to vote, you should record your vote with a pen by writing the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote, in the blank space on the ballot paper. Thereafter, you should follow the instructions detailed below:—

- a. After you have recorded your vote on the postal ballot paper, place the ballot paper in the smaller cover marked 'A' sent herewith. Close the cover and secure it by seal or otherwise.
- b. If two or more candidates in your constituency are having same name, then you will record the name and symbol of the candidate of your choice.
- c. You have then to sign the declaration in Form-38 also sent herewith, in the presence of a gazetted officer of BPS-17 or above or a commissioned officer who is competent to attest your signatures under sub-rule (3) of rule 67 of the Election Rules, 2017.
- d. If you are unable to mark the ballot paper and sign the declaration yourself in the manner indicated above by reason of illiteracy or infirmity, you are entitled to have your vote marked and the declaration signed on your behalf by any officer mentioned in item (c) above. Such an officer will at your request mark the ballot paper in your presence and in accordance with your wishes. He will also complete the necessary certificate in this behalf.
- e. If you are a person with physical disability who cannot travel and possesses national identity card bearing logo of disability issued by the National Database and Registration Authority, you may authorize one of your family members namely father, mother, brother, sister, spouse, son or daughter to get the declaration attested from a gazetted or a commissioned officer on your behalf.
- f. After your declaration has been signed and your signature has been attested in accordance with item (c) above, put the Declaration Form and the smaller cover marked 'A' containing the ballot paper, in the larger cover marked 'B'. After closing the larger cover, send it to the Returning Officer concerned by post.
- g. You must ensure that the cover reaches the Returning Officer before the time fixed for consolidation of the results by the Returning Officer under sub-section (1) of section 95 of the Elections Act 2017.
- h. Please note that —
  - i. if you fail to get your declaration attested or certified in the manner indicated above, your ballot paper will be rejected; and
  - ii. if the cover reaches the Returning Officer after the time fixed for consolidation of the results by the Returning Officer under sub-section (1) of section 95 of the Elections Act 2017, your vote will not be counted.

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**FORM-42**

[see rule 72]

**STATEMENT REGARDING INSPECTION OF BALLOT BOXES  
BEFORE START OF POLL**

It is certified that we have personally inspected the ballot box(es) provided by Election Commission at  
polling station No. .... for election to .....  
Constituency No..... before start of poll and have found it /them empty.

S. No.	Name of election / polling agent	National Identity Card No.																Name of the candidate	Address	Signature	Thumb Impression
1								-									-				
2								-									-				
3								-									-				
4								-									-				
5								-									-				
6								-									-				
7								-									-				
8								-									-				
9								-									-				
10								-									-				

Signature of the Presiding Officer .....

Name .....

Designation .....

Date .....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

**FORM-43**  
[see rule 77(1)]  
**TENDERED VOTES LIST**

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency .....

No. and name of polling station .....

S.No.	Name of the electoral area	Census Block Code	Description in respect of person tendering vote and the tendered ballot paper							***Description of the person to whom the ballot paper was issued earlier		
			Name of the person tendering vote	National Identity Card No.	Serial number of the Voter in the electoral roll	Serial number of tendered ballot paper	Signature of the person tendering vote	Thumb impression of the person tendering vote	**Detail of document provided by the person tendering vote in support of his claim	Name of the person voted earlier	National Identity Card No. of the person voted earlier	Serial number of the ballot paper issued earlier against the same entry of the electoral roll mentioned in column (6)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1												
2												
3												
4												
5												
6												
7												
8												
9												
10												

Signature of the Presiding Officer.....

Place .....

Name.....

Date .....

Designation.....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

\*\* The Presiding Officer shall provide to the Returning Officer copy of national identity card of the person tendering vote together with any other document, if any, provided by such voter.

\*\*\*This information will be taken from the relevant counterfoil of the ballot paper. The counterfoil will be traced keeping in view the name and national identity card number appearing in the entry of the electoral rolls stricken off previously.



**FORM-44**

[see rule 78(1)]

**CHALLENGED VOTES LIST**

Election to the \*National Assembly  
 Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
 Sindh  
 Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
 Balochistan

No. and name of constituency .....

No. and name of polling station .....

Serial No.	Name of the voter challenged	Serial No. of the voter on the electoral roll	Name of the electoral area in which voter is enrolled	Census block code	Signature of the person challenged	Thumb impression of the person challenged	Address of the person challenged	Name of the identifier, if any	Name and address of the challenger	Order of the Presiding Officer
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1										
2										
3										
4										
5										
6										
7										
8										
9										
10										

Certified that a sum of Rs..... (in figures) ..... (in words) has been received on account of challenged votes and the amount in question has been deposited with the Returning Officer.

Signature of the Presiding Officer.....

Place .....

Name.....

Date .....

Designation.....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

[see rule 81(1)]

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

Sr. No.	Names of the contesting Candidates	Number of valid votes polled in favour of each contesting candidate	Number of valid Tendered votes polled in favour of each contesting candidate	Number of valid Challenged votes polled in favour of each contesting candidate	Total valid votes polled in favour of each contesting candidate [Cols (3)+(4)+(5)]
1	2	3	4	5	6
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
<b>Total</b>					

(i)	Total valid votes (column 6)	
(ii)	Number of votes excluded from the count in accordance with section 90 (4)(c) of the Elections Act 2017:	
	Votes taken out from the ballot boxes which have been excluded from the count:	
	Tendered votes which have been excluded from the count:	
	Challenged votes which have been excluded from the count:	
	Total	
(iii)	Grand total [sum of (i) and (ii)]	

(iv)	Number of votes polled	Male	Female	Total

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\*Strike off the words not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Inserted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.410 1(4) (I)/ 2018-Law dated 02<sup>nd</sup> March, 2018..

<sup>2</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.410 1(4) (I)/ 2018-Law dated 02<sup>nd</sup> March, 2018.

[see rule 83(1)]

Election to the	*National Assembly	
	Provincial Assembly of	
	the Punjab	
	Sindh	
	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	
	Balochistan	

No. and name of constituency.....

No. and name of polling station.....

Quantity of ballot papers	No. of books	Sr.No.of books		Sr.No.of ballot papers	
		From	To	From	To

<b>2. Total number of ballot papers taken out from the ballot box or boxes</b>	
<b>3. Total number of Tendered Ballot Papers</b>	
<b>4. Total number of Challenged Ballot Papers</b>	
<b>5. Total number of stray, spoilt and cancelled ballot papers</b>	
<b>6. Total number of ballot papers under Item Nos. (2), (3), (4) and (5)</b>	

Serial number		Total
From	To	
<b>Total</b>		

8.Total number of ballot papers under Item Nos. (6) and (7)	
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Note: Total of Item No. (8) should be equal to the total of Item No. (1).

[Signature of Senior-most Assistant Presiding Officer.....]  
Name .....  
Designation .....

## Thumb impression

NIC No.]

				-							-	
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Signature of the Presiding Officer.....

Name .....

Designation .....

### Thumb impression

<sup>2</sup>[NIC No.]

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Place .....

Date .....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Inserted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.410 1(4) (I)/ 2018-Law dated 02<sup>nd</sup> March, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.410 1(4) (I)/ 2018-Law dated 02<sup>nd</sup> March, 2018.

**FORM-47**

[see rule 84(1)]

**PROVISIONAL CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF RESULTS OF THE COUNT**

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

1. No. and name of constituency: .....
2. Total number of polling stations: .....
3. Number of registered votes in the constituency: Male ..... Female ..... Total .....
4. Total number of votes polled: Male ..... Female ..... Total .....
5. Number of valid votes polled: .....
6. Number of votes excluded from the count: .....
7. Percentage of votes polled: .....

S. No.	Name of contesting candidate	Party affiliation	Number of votes obtained
1	2	3	4

1

2

3

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etc.

Signature and seal of the Returning Officer

Place.....

Date .....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

**FORM-48**[<sup>1</sup>see rules 85(1)&84C(2)]**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF THE RESULTS OF THE COUNT FURNISHED BY THE PRESIDING OFFICERS**Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab

Sindh

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Balochistan

No. and name of constituency: .....

No. of registered voters: Male ..... Female ..... Total .....

Total number of Polling Stations: Male ..... Female ..... Combined ..... Total .....

Sl No.	Polling Station	Number of valid votes (including Tendered & Challenged votes) cast in favour of **						Total votes per polling station		
		'A'	'B'	'C'	'D'	'E'	'F'	Valid	Invalid	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

1

2

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4

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6

7

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etc.

Total votes recorded at the polling stations.

Total votes recorded on postal ballots for the constituency.

<sup>2</sup>[Total overseas votes recorded for the constituency]**GRAND TOTAL**

Place .....

Date .....

Signature of the Returning Officer

\*Strike off the words not applicable. \*\*Write the names of the candidates in the columns having heading of alphabets

<sup>1</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.1232(I)/2018 dated 08<sup>th</sup> October, 2018.<sup>2</sup> Inserted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.1232(I)/2018 dated 08<sup>th</sup> October, 2018.

**FORM-49**

[see rule 88(1)]

**FINAL CONSOLIDATED RESULT**

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency .....

No. of registered voters: Male ..... Female ..... Total .....

Sr. No.	Name of contesting Candidate	Party Affiliation, if any	Number of valid votes polled
1	2	3	4

1

2

3

4

5

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7

8

9

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etc.

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Total number of valid votes polled .....

Total number of invalid votes .....

Date.....

Place.....

Signature of Returning Officer

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\*Strike off the words not applicable.

**FORM-50**

[see rule 89(2)]

**CERTIFICATE REQUIRED TO BE FURNISHED BY RETURNING OFFICER  
UNDER SECTION 99(2) OF THE ELECTIONS ACT 2017**

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency: .....

Date of election: .....

I hereby certify that in compliance with the provisions of sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 99 of the Elections Act 2017, I, ....., Returning Officer for ..... (No. and name of constituency) have sealed ..... (quantity) tamper-evident bags after putting therein the packets containing documents relating to all polling stations of the constituency and upon each such packet the description of its contents, the date of the election and the name and number of the constituency has been endorsed.

Date.....

Place.....

Signature and seal of Returning Officer

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\*Strike off the words not applicable.

[see rule 90(1)]

Election to the \*National Assembly  
Provincial Assembly of the Punjab  
Sindh  
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa  
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency: .....

Date of election: .....

Total number of polling stations .....

Total number of polling bags: .....

S.No	Name of polling station	Number of the seal affixed on the polling bag	Remarks, if any
1	2	3	4

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1

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etc.

**Receiving Officer**

Signature: .....

Signature: .....

Name: .....

Name: .....

NIC No.						-								-	
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JIC No.					-							-	
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Designation: .....

Designation: .....

Official Stamp: .....

Official Stamp: .....

Date.....

Place.....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.



**FORM-52**

[see rule 99]

**NOTICE IN RESPECT OF NOMINATED CANDIDATES**

Election to the Senate

From.....<sup>1</sup> [Province/Federal Capital]Category of seat..... \*(general, technocrat including *aalim*, woman and non-Muslim)

Serial no.	Name of candidate	Father's/husband's name	National Identity Card No.	Address of candidate	Name and parentage of proposer	Name and parentage of seconder
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

etc.

Place .....

Date .....

Signature of Returning Officer

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

**FORM-53**  
[see rule 101(1)]

**LIST OF VALIDLY NOMINATED CANDIDATES**

Election to the Senate

From.....<sup>1</sup> [Province/Federal Capital]

Category of seat..... \*(general, technocrat including *aalim*, woman and non-Muslim)

Serial no.	Name of candidate	Father's/husband's name	Address of candidate
1	2	3	4

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

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etc.

Place .....

Date .....

Signature of Returning Officer

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\*Strike off the words not applicable.

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

**FORM-54**

[see rule 102(1)]

**LIST OF CONTESTING CANDIDATES**

Election to the Senate

From .....<sup>1</sup>[Province/Federal Capital]Category of seat..... \*(general, technocrat including *aalim*, woman and non-Muslim)

Serial no.	Name of the contesting candidate in the Urdu alphabetical order	Father's/ husband's name	Address of the contesting candidate	Party affiliation, if any
1	2	3	4	5
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				
9				
10				
etc.				

Notice is hereby given that the poll shall be taken between the hours of ..... to ..... on  
.....(date)

Place .....

Date .....

Signature of Returning Officer

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\*Strike off the words not applicable.

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted vide ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

**FORM-55**

[see rule 104(2)]

**RETURN OF UNCONTESTED ELECTION**

Election to the Senate

From .....<sup>1</sup>[Province/Federal Capital]Category of seat..... \*(general, technocrat including *aalim*, woman and non-Muslim)

I, ..... Returning Officer, do hereby declare under section 118(1) of the Elections Act 2017 that the following candidate has been duly elected un-contested on general, technocrat including *aalim*, women and non-Muslim seat from ..... (<sup>2</sup>[Province/Federal Capital]):

Sr. No.	Name of contesting Candidate	Father's / Husband's Name	Party affiliation, if any	Address
1	2	3	4	5

Date.....

Place.....

Signature of Returning Officer

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\*Strike off the words not applicable.

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.<sup>2</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

**FORM-56**

[see rule 129]

**RETURN OF ELECTION**

Election to the Senate

From .....<sup>1</sup> [Province/Federal Capital]Category of seat..... \*(general, technocrat including *aalim*, woman and non-Muslim)

The result of poll and of the transfer of votes is as follows:

Number of valid votes: .....

Number of Members to be elected: .....

Quota (number of votes sufficient' to secure the election of a candidate): .....

Name of candidates	First count	Second count	Third Count	Fourth Count	Names of elected candidates and order of election
	Votes polled in favour of each candidate	Result of transfer	Result of transfer	Result of transfer	

I declare that –

(i) Name..... (ii) Name..... (iii) Name..... (iv) Name.....  
 Address..... Address..... Address..... Address.....

has/have been duly elected.

Signature of the Returning Officer

Place .....

Date .....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

<sup>2</sup> [\*\*\*]<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.<sup>2</sup> Form-57 omitted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

**FORM-58**

[see rule 130]

**CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION**

I, the Returning Officer for election to the Senate from the .....  
(<sup>1</sup>[Province/Federal Capital]) hereby certify that I have on the ..... day of .....20.....  
declared Mr./Mrs./Miss ..... to have been duly elected to be a  
Member of the Senate of Pakistan and that in token thereof I have granted to him/her this certificate of  
election.

Signature of Returning Officer

Place .....

Date .....

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

[see rule 148]

Election to the	<u>*Senate from ..... (1 [Province/Federal Capital])</u>
	<u>National Assembly</u>
	Provincial Assembly of the Punjab
	Sindh
	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
	Balochistan

No. and name of constituency.....

Before the Election Tribunal .....

In the matter of Election Petition No..... of 20 .....

..... (Petitioner)

*Versus*

..... (Respondent)

I ..... (name), respondent, do hereby give notice under section 163 of the Elections Act, 2017 that I do not intend to contest the aforesaid petition.

Signature .....

Thumb Impression .....

National Identity Card No.

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Address.....

Date.....

Place.....

\*Strike off the words not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Substituted *vide* ECP Notification S.R.O.791(I)/2018 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018.

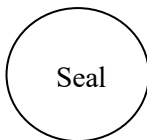
**FORM-60**

[see rule 151(2)]

**RECORD CONTAINING PROCEEDINGS OF CASES UNDER SECTION 193 OF THE ELECTIONS ACT, 2017**

Register of Mr. .... Returning Officer / Presiding Officer for  
 .... (No. and name of polling station) of constituency No. ....  
 (No. and Name of constituency) exercising summary powers of Magistrate of the first class under section 193 of the Elections Act, 2017.

S. No.	Date and Time of Commission of offence	Name of Complainant (if any)	Name of the accused	Father' s / husband' s name	Address	Nature of offence	Offence Proved	Value of property respecting which offence committed	Statement of complainant and summary of evidence of prosecution	Plea of the accused and his examination if any	Summary of evidence for the defence, if any	The finding and in the case of conviction a brief statement of the reason therefor	Imprisonment or fine imposed or any other order	Date on which the proceedings terminated	Signatures of the officer exercising the powers of the Magistrate of the first class
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16



Signature of the officer exercising the powers of the Magistrate of the first class .....

Name of constituency / polling station.....



**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

**FORM-61**

[see rule 151(3)]

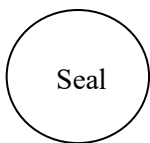
**FORM OF PROSECUTION FOR PERSONATION**

Whereas Mr. / Miss / Mrs.....  
s/o,d/o,w/o.....  
bearing national identity card No. 

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 resident of.....  
.....  
.....(complete address) has been found guilty  
of personation:

Now, therefore I, .....\*Returning  
Officer / Presiding Officer ..... (No. and name of polling  
station) for constituency No. .... (No. and name of constituency)  
do hereby direct that he be arrested and prosecuted for said offence under section 169 of the  
Elections Act, 2017.



Signature of the Returning Officer / Presiding Officer.....

Name of constituency / polling station.....

Place.....

Date.....

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\*Strike off the words not applicable.

[see rule 151(4)]

(see section 260 of the Code)

The Superintendent (or Keeper) of the Jail,

.....

WHEREAS on the ..... day of ..... 20....., Mr.....

.....(name of prisoner) s/o, w/o, d/o .....,

[illegible]

..... the prisoner in

case No..... of the calendar year for 20....., was convicted before me

.....(name and official designation) for the offence of .....

.....(mention the offence or offences concisely)

under section (or sections) ..... of the Elections Act, 2017, and was  
sentenced.....

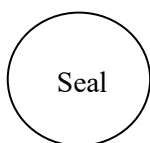
.....(state the punishment fully and distinctly).

This is to authorize and require you, the said Superintendent [or Keeper], to receive the said .....(convict's name) into your custody in the said Jail, together with this warrant, and to carry the aforesaid sentence into execution according to law.

Given under my hand and my seal, the ..... day of.....20.....

Signature of the Returning Officer / Presiding Officer.....

Name of constituency / polling station.....



[see rule 151(4)]

(see section 260 of the Code)

.....

Given under my hand and my seal, the ..... day of ..... 20.....



[see rule 154(2)]

Name of political party.....

S.No.	Name of party member	National Identity Card No.	Signature	Thumb impression	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6

etc.

4

.....

.....

[illegible]

Date.....

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[see rule 158(1)]

I ..... (name) Party Head/authorized  
office-bearer of ..... (name of political party) do  
hereby certify that intra party elections have been held in accordance with the constitution of the party  
and the provisions of the Elections Act 2017 and furnish the following information and documents  
annexed hereto in respect of:

- (i) the date of the last intra party elections;
- (ii) the names, designations and addresses of the party leader and all other office-bearers (along with their attested copies of National Identity Cards) elected at the federal, provincial and local levels, wherever applicable;
- (iii) the election results, including the total number of votes cast and the number of votes secured by each contestant for all of party offices; and
- (iv) copy of the party's notifications declaring the results of the election.

2. It is hereby certified that the information furnished along with this certificate is correct and nothing has been concealed therefrom.

Name, signature and seal of  
Party Head/authorized office-bearer .....

Address.....

National Identity Card No.

[illegible]

Contact No. ....

Place.....

Date.....

**PARTY LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO THE RESERVED SEATS IN AN ASSEMBLY**