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ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN



SECRETARIAT
Constitution Avenue G-5/2
Islamabad, 27th August, 2015

To

Heads of All Political Parties.

Subject: **PROVISION OF PARTY TICKET / CERTIFICATE TO THE CANDIDATES CONTESTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS, 2015 IN SINDH PROVINCE.**

Dear Sir,

I am directed to refer to Rule 3 of the Sindh Local Councils (Election) Rules, 2015 and to say that a contesting candidate, in case he / she is aspiring for a symbol allocated to a political party, shall submit before the Returning Officer a certificate on Party Letter Head duly signed by the Party Head or a person duly authorized by him under intimation to the Provincial Election Commissioner concerned **at the time of scrutiny of his / her nomination papers.**

2. Since, there may be a large number of candidates contesting Local Government Elections in Sindh Province and the party heads may feel difficulty in issuing party tickets to their candidates, so in order to facilitate the political parties and candidates in this regard, the Election Commission has been pleased to draw attention of parties to following guidelines for issuance of party tickets to their candidates to avoid any complications at the time of allotment of symbols by the Returning Officers:

- i. *The party head of each political party may consider the authorization of a party office bearer in each division to issue party-ticket to the candidates contesting elections in the **1st Phase** of elections in Sindh Province on behalf of political party head.*
- ii. *Party-ticket, either by the Party Head or by his authorized office bearer, shall be issued latest by 11.09.2015 for the **1st Phase** of elections for the purpose of allotment of symbol to such candidates by the Returning Officers at the time notified by the Commission for the purpose;*

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- iii. Party-ticket issued by the aforesaid authorized office bearer or by the party-head **may not be recalled or cancelled**;
- iv. Care may be taken that against one seat only one party ticket is issued;
- v. In case, the party head chooses to act in accordance with the provisions of sub-para-i, above, then he may provide a list of such authorized office bearers containing name, designation, NIC No. and other particulars of such authorized person to the Provincial Election Commissioner, Sindh **latest by 03.09. 2015** who shall forward such list to all Returning Officers in the province for information and necessary action in accordance therewith;
- vi. Party-ticket may contain name, parentage and NIC number of the candidate;
- vii. Party-head or the person authorized by him shall put his signature and stamp on each party-ticket / certificate on party letter head and write the date of issuance of the ticket;
- viii. Each candidate shall submit the party-ticket issued in his / their favour to the Returning Officer concerned at the time of scrutiny of his nomination papers.
- ix. Due care should be taken at the time of issuance that party ticket is issued to the desired candidate. However, in case the Nomination Papers of a candidate are rejected after issuance of party Ticket to him / her, the Political Party concerned does have the right to issue Party Ticket afresh to any other validly nominated candidate of that constituency, who has not submitted Party Certificate of any other party at the time of scrutiny, latest by 1st October, 2015.

Yours faithfully,


(Fida Muhammad)
Additional Secretary (Admn)