

## No.F. 16(1)/2021-LGE-KP ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

Secretariat Constitution Avenue, G-5/2 Islamabad, the 19th December, 2021

## ORDER

The Deputy Commissioner Bannu/District Returning Officer and District Police Officer Bannu have inquired and reported the incident of abduction of Police personnel, Polling staff (including females) and snatching of polling bags/material at different polling stations of Tehsil Baka Khel of District Bannu and resultant uncertain law and order situation in the Tehsil Baka Khel. They further stated that situation warrants the postponement of polling process in Tehsil Baka Khel till the normalization of Law and order situation. The Chief Secretary Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa also endorsed the recommendations of the Deputy Commissioner and District Police Officer Bannu with the officers of the Election Commission.

- Keeping inview the deteriorating law and order situation in Tehsil Baka Khel, the Hon'ble Commission has ordered the postponement of polling in the entire Tehsil which was to be held today i.e. 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 till the situation normalizes.
- The Hon'ble Commission has also constituted inquiry committee comprising Mr. Zafar Iqbal Hussain, Special Secretary, Mr. Khurram Shahzad, Additional Director General Law and Mr. Khushal Zada, Director (Elections) for fact finding inquiry of the incidents and submission of report to the Commission within 7-days.

This issues with the approval of the Hon'ble Commission.

Time: - 03:30 AM