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The Worthy Secretary,
Election Commission of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

03/04/2018

Subject:

**OBJECTIONS OF THE DELIMITATION OF THE CONSTITUENCY PB-8,
SIBI-CUM-LEHRI.**

Respected Sir,

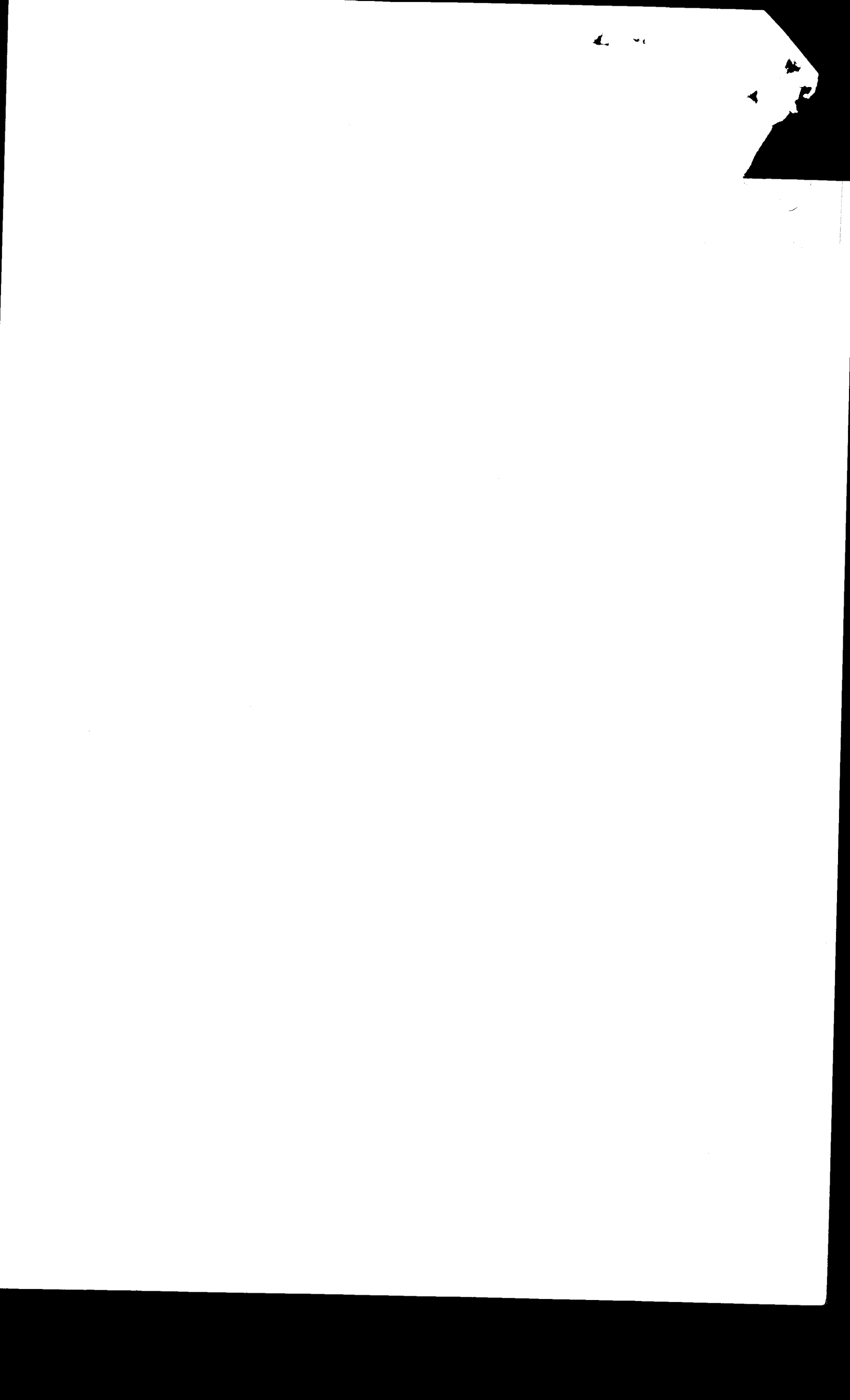
It is submitted that the Election Commission of Pakistan vide its Notification No. F.8 (3)/2018-Elec-I, dated 05-03-2018, has made preliminary delimitation of the Constituencies of the Nation Assembly & Provincial Assemblies of Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Punjab and Sindh and the same has been published openly by inviting the objections from registered voters of the respective constituency for which the last date is fixed as April 3, 2018.

Sir,

The applicant/objector being a registered voter of the preliminary delimited constituency PB-8 Sibi-cum-Lehri is very much entitled for raising objections of the preliminary delimited constituency PB-8, Sibi cum-Lehri, which are as under:

OBJECTION NO. 1.

That presently District Sibi and District Lehri have been combined and only one constituency of the Provincial Assembly is constituted as PB-8 Sibi-cum-Lehri, which is not correct because District Sibi is part of Sibi Division comprising of District Harnai, District Kohlu Agency & District Dera Bugti Agency while presently District Lehri does not belong to Sibi Division rather District Lehri is the part of Nasirabad Division, so by combining two districts of two different Divisions for delimitation of one constituency itself creates conflicts in the Administrative Divisional Unit, which is against the interest of general public and the voters of the area, hence it would be more plausible that the District Lehri be separated from



District Sibi and be combined with some other constituency of Nasirabad Division.

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OBJECTION NO. 2.

That present preliminary delimitation of the constituency of PB-8 Sibi-cum-Lehri is based upon the census 2017 whereby the population of District Sibi is shown to be 135572, which itself is not correct because the census was carried out in the summer season and admittedly Sibi is the hottest area of Pakistan and almost half of the population of Sibi temporary migrate to other cities e.g. Quetta, Kalat, Mach, Ziarat etc and then come back in the winter season, so during the census more than half of the residents of Sibi were not present at Sibi and, if the census was carried out in the winter season, the population of District would have been increased than Quetta which is 242051 (which is enough to reserve a separate constituency of Provincial Assembly) due to the reasons that:

- There is a Municipal Committee in Tehsil Sibi comprising of 8 Circles and 48 Blocks, whose population is shown to be 64428 (which is incorrect due to the reason mentioned above.
- There is a massive/large cantonment area in Sibi City since the time of English regime.
- The Bench of High Court of Balochistan is also functioning at Sibi under the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973.
- There are Boys & Girls Degree Colleges, Alimentary College, Nursing College, numerous Boys & Girls High Schools including Boys & Girls Model Schools while an University is also under construction at Sibi.
- There is Governor House situated in the heart of Sibi City which is winter Headquarter of Governor of Balochistan.
- Besides all the villages of District Sibi are well populated.

All above cumulative factors clearly indicate that the original population of District Sibi is so more than the figures shown in the census 2017 rather is more than the "Quota per seat" that's why Sibi District is the Headquarter of Sibi Division while the remaining districts of the Division i.e.

Kohlu, Harnai & Dera Bugti have less population than Sibi, so it would be more appropriate that a separate constituency for Sibi District be delimited, which will also meet the requirements of the citizens of Sibi.

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OBJECTION NO. 3.

It is suffice to mention here that as per Para No. 2 of Section 8 (4) of CHAPTER-III of the Election Rules, 2017 the fraction of more than 0.5 shall be counted as (enough quota for) one seat for provincial assembly while the fraction of District Sibi is more than 0.5 which is 0.56, hence delimitation of the constituencies is hit by the provisions of above section and under the above provisions of the Election Rules, 2017 the citizens of Sibi District are very much entitled for a separate constituency of Provincial Assembly of Balochistan.

OBJECTION NO. 4.

That in the past District Lehri was part of District Sibi (as District Sibi was comprised of Tehsil Sibi, Tehsil Lehri & Tehsil Harnai) and in the previous delimitation there were two seats of District Sibi in the provincial Assembly i.e. PB-21 Sibi-I comprising of Tehsil & Lehri Lehri (without Tehsil Bhag) and PB-22 Harnai-cum-Sibi comprising of Tehsil Harnai, Sub Tehsil Kut Mundai & Sub Tehsil Sangan and during the General Elections 2013 Sardar Sarfaraz Chakkar was elected from PB21-Sibi-I and Mr, Abdul Rahim Ziaratwal Advocate was elected from PB-22 Harnai-cum-Sibi.

It is worthwhile to mention here that the above delimitation of constituencies were also based upon the population as per law and when in the year 2013 (when the population was less than the present as a natural formula) District Sibi was entitled for two seat then how in present the number of seats is decreased despite the fact that the number of population has been increased, which is totally against the norms of justice as well as against the public interest, which has also caused great prejudice to the voters/citizens of Sibi.



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OBJECTION No. 5.

That even prior to 2001, District Sibi was comprised of two seats of the Provincial Assembly i.e. PB-16 Sibi-I and PW-17 Sibi-II, which delimitations were also based upon the population while now when the population has been increased (despite the situation narrated in Objection No. 1), one seat of District Sibi has been allocated to other District which is injustice and has caused serious prejudice to the residents of Sibi.

OBJECTION No. 6.

That in the present delimitation of the constituencies, the quota of population i.e. 242054 has been relaxed for some district of Balochistan Province and separate seats have been allocated for these districts, but despite the fact that the fraction of District Sibi is more than fixed in the Election Rules, 2017 (as mentioned above), District Sibi has been ignored and even the seats of District Sibi have been decreased from two to one, which is injustice. For ready reference the list of district (for which is quota has been relaxed) is as under:

S. No.	Name of District	Total Population (as per Census, 2017)	Fixed Quota	Relaxation in Population
01.	District Sherani	153116	242054	88938
02	District Dukki	153000	242054	89054
03	District Barkhan	171556	242054	70498
04	District Musakhail	167017	242054	75037
05	District Jhal Magsi	149225	242054	92829
06	District Nushki	178796	242054	63258

All above mentioned district have less population than the fixed quota, but separate seats have been allocated for these districts. But District Sibi has been ignored badly despite the fact that District Sibi is headquarter of the Division and is an important Administrative Unit while none of the above mentioned districts is the headquarter of the division.



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As mentioned above, huge relaxation in the population has been granted to these districts, but surprisingly a whole of District Lehri is included in District Sibi and by increasing the fixed quota of population i.e. 251547 (fixed quota is 242054) only one seat is allocated to District Sibi, which is grave injustice because besides Provincial Capital of Balochistan (i.e. Quetta) Sibi is the most populated District of the province.

In view of the above submissions, it is prayed that a separate seat for Provincial Assembly Balochistan (with the name of PB-8 Sibi) may kindly be allocated to District Sibi in order to maintain the historical status of Sibi and the citizens of Sibi could elect its separate representative in the Balochistan Assembly, which could resolve the problems of the voters of Sibi by having relaxing the Quota/Rules (as relaxed for the above mentioned Districts) in order to provide justice to the citizens of Sibi District, which, in any case, has more population than the districts given relaxation in the quota/rules in the interest of justice, fair play & equity, please.

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