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#### THE SECRETARY

Election Commission of Pakistan G-5/12, Constitution Avenue Islamabad.

Subject:

OBJECTION ON PRELIMINARY DELIMITATION OF PROVINCIAL CONSTITUTIONS OF DISTRICT LODHRAN.

SPECIALLY WITH REFERENCE TO DEMARCATION OF PP224 AND PP-228

Dear Sir,

I am resident of Chowki Rango Khan, Tehsil Kehror Pacca District Lodhran. My vote is registered in the said village Chowki Rango Khan. I have gone through the detail of constituencies of District Lodhran released on the commission website. I have seen the demarcation of boundaries of all the constituencies of the District on an official map of the District Annexure-A. The colored maps of preliminary delimitation 2018 and old delimitation 2002 alongwith detail of constituencies are submitted as per Annexure-B, B1, B2, B3, B4, B5 and B6 and C, C1, C2, C3, C4, C5 and C6 for kind perusal of the members of the commission.

- 2. I have the following objections/reservations on the delimitation of PP-224, PP-228 adjacent to each other.
  - I. PP-224 has been delimited in contravention of the principles laid down in Section 20 of the Election Act, 2017. It has been delimited on the basis of pick and chooses without following the principles laid down in the said section.
  - II. It is neither compact block nor homogenous in character. It is also neither convenient to the public nor has better communication facility. The committee responsible for delimitation has attached

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Patwar Circles of its choice. The committee has ignored the policy adopted in the delimitation of other constituencies. In PP-225 they have detached two Patwar Circles of Bhoteji QH (Malik Pur and Pogalwari) from PP-225 (old PP-210) on the border line and attached these Patwar Circles with PP-226 (Old PP-211). Similarly two Patwar Circles Rawani and Chono Shahbaz of Rawani QH of Tehsil Lodhran on the border line of old delimitation were attached with PP-227 (Old PP-207). Accordingly three Patwar Circles of PP-227 (Old PP-207) were attached with PP-228 (Old PP-208) on border line of old delimitation. But in case of PP-228 (Old PP-208) one bigger Patwar Circle Jibrani Wah of 23289 was shifted from PP-224 (Old PP-209) and included in PP-228 (Old PP-208). And in exchange five Patwar Circles shifted from PP-228 (Old PP-208) leaving one Patwar Circle Burhan Pur with Population of 12867 within the territory of PP-228 (Old PP-208) to PP-224 (Old PP-209). There appears to be no reason for making such exchanges. Population adjustment could have been easily made by attaching hardly one or two Patwar Circles at the border line of two old constituencies PP-209 (Now PP-224) and PP-208 (Now PP-228) as has been done by me the applicant. I have proposed shifting of only two Patwar Circles Burhan Pur and Pacca to PP-224 (Old PP-209) to balance the population of both the constituencies PP-224 and PP-228. There was hardly any justification for such exchanges. The leaving of Patwar Circle Burhan Pur within the territory of PP-224 for attachment with PP-228 was astonishing. This Patwar Circle is surrounded by PP-224 how it could be attached with PP-228?.

III. From the perusal of the map of old delimitation **Annexure-C** the commission would appreciate the alignment and shape of PP-209 presently numbered as PP-224 and PP-208 presently numbered as PP-228 was compact, homogenous and was

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symmetrical as compared with the shape of present delimitation of the said constituencies PP-224 (Old PP-209) and PP-228 (Old PP-208). Present constituencies PP-224 and PP-228 are neither compact nor homogenous in character. The delimitation of PP-224 appears to have been made to look after the interest of any particular person or the party at the cost of PP-228.

I proposed the following delimitation of all the five constituencies of the District Lodhran for consideration of the Commission.

#### PP-224 Lodhran-I

Population 339348

- (a) MC Kehror Pacca
- (b) Kehror Pacca QH excluding following PC's
  - i. Lal Bagheli
- (c) Dakhna Gharoo QH excluding following PC's
  - i. Rind Jadha
  - ii. Chowki Sobhay Khan
- (d) Following Patwar Circles of Amir Pur Sadat QH
  - i. Burhan Pur

## PP-225 Lodhran-II

Population 340284

- (a) MC Lodhran
- (b) Lodhran QH
- (c) Bhoteji QH Excepts PC's Malik Pur and Pogalwari

#### PP-226 Lodhran-III

Population 346816

- (a) Goghran QH
- (b) Raja Pur QH
- (c) Rawani Qanoogoi Except Patwar Circle Chono Shahbaz and Rawani
- (d) The following PC's of Bhoteji QH
  - i. Malik Pur
  - ii. Pogalwari

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#### PP-227 Lodhran-IV

Population 338091

- (a) Tehsil Lodhran
- (b) The Following PC's of Rawani QH
  - i. Chono Shahbaz
  - ii. Rawani
- (c) MC Dunyapur
- (d) 02/L QH
- (e) The following PC's of 034/M QH of Dunyapur Tehsil
- 1. 38/M
- 2. Fateh Pur
- 3. Kotli Wajwah
- 4. 044/M and
- 5. Chak No. 001 to 4/MPR

### PP-228 Lodhran-V

Population 336081

- (a) The following QH's of Dunyapur Tehsil
- 1. 12-L
- 2. The following PC's of 034/M QH of Dunyapur Tehsil
  - i. 38/M
  - ii. Fateh Pur
  - iii. Kotli Wajwah
  - iv. 044/M and
  - v. Chak No. 001 to 4/MPR
- (b) Following areas of Kehror Pacca Tehsil

# Following PC's of Kehror QH

- i. Lal Bagheli
- (c) Following PC's of Dakhna Garhoo QH
  - i. Rind Jadha
  - ii. Chowki Sobhay Khan
- (d) Amir Pur Sadat QH excluding following PC's
  - i. Burhan Pur
- (e) Dhanote TC (old)

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The map of proposed delimitation alongwith detail of proposed constituencies is submitted as per Annexure-D and D1, D2, D3, D4, D5 and D6.

From the above detail the commission would appreciate that I have only added only two Patwar Circle Burhan Pur and Pacca in PP-224 (Old PP-209) to balance out the population between two constituencies PP-224 (Old PP-209) and PP-228 (Old PP-208). It was the simplest adjustment of population in the old delimited constituency PP-209 which has been made a complex one by making shifting of several Patwar Circles from both ends of the border line. There appears to be hardly any justification for detaching one bigger circle from one end and attaching five small Patwar Circles from the other end of the border line leaving one Patwar Circle Burhan Pur within the territory of PP-224 (Old PP-209).

It is humbly requested that delimitation may kindly be reviewed and PP-224 and PP-228 may be delimited as proposed above. No changes have been proposed in PP-225, PP-226 and PP-227.

Thanking you, I remain.

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