

## ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

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### NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2013.

**No.F.5(1)/2013-LGE(P):**— In compliance with the Order dated 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2013 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of Pakistan (C.P.No.77/2010) passed pursuant to the commitment made by the Government of Balochistan before the August Court, the Election Commission of Pakistan hereby issues the following Schedule for Election to each ward in a local council and in Union Councils of each district of the Province of Balochistan in terms of sub-rule (1) of Rule 9 of the Balochistan Local Government (Election) Rules, 2013 and calls upon the electors of each ward and Union Council to elect their representatives:

S.No.	Activity	Date
1	Notice inviting nomination papers to be issued by the Returning Officer on	06-11-2013
2	Nomination papers shall be received on	07-11-2013 to 08-11-2013
3	Publication of notice of all the nomination papers received on	09-11-2013
4	Objection to the nomination papers	09-11-2013
5	Scrutiny of nomination papers and publication of names of validly nominated candidates on	10-11-2013 to 11-11-2013
6	Appeals against acceptance / rejection of nomination papers to be filed on	12-11-2013 & 16-11-2013
7	Disposal of appeals on	17-11-2013 to 18-11-2013
8	Withdrawal of candidature on	19-11-2013
9	Publication of list of contesting candidates with symbols allotted to them on	19-11-2013
10	<b>Polling day on</b>	<b>07-12-2013</b>
11	Declaration of results by the Returning Officer on	10-12-2013

2. With a view to ensure that elections to the local councils are conducted honestly, justly, fairly and in accordance with law and to ensure that the corrupt practices are guarded against, the Election Commission of Pakistan directs that:

- a. All Executive Authorities in the Federation and in the Provinces shall not use State Resources in Local Government Elections calculated to influence the elections in favour of a particular candidate or a political party.
- b. If any person in government service misuses his official position in any manner in order to influence results of elections, he shall be liable to be proceeded against under Section 60 of the Balochistan Local Government Act, 2010.
- c. No transfers / postings of the civil servants shall be made after the issuance of Schedule of local government elections without prior approval of the Commission till the publication of election results.
- d. After the issuance of Election Schedule, the Prime Minister, Governor, Chief Minister, Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Federal and Provincial Ministers, Advisors to the Prime

Minister or Chief Minister or any other holder of public office will not visit the area of any local council to announce any development scheme or to canvass or campaign for any candidate or any political party.

- e. No Deputy Commissioner/ District Coordination Officer shall perform protocol duty with the Prime Minister, Chief Minister, Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Federal Ministers, State Ministers, Provincial Ministers, Advisors to the Prime Minister and Chief Minister or any person on their behalf till conclusion of the electoral process.
- f. Any holder of public officer, who is found to have violated any provision of election laws or the instructions issued by the Election Commission, shall be proceeded against as mandated in law.

**Note:** The offices of the Election Commission as well as the offices of District Returning Officers and Returning Officers shall remain open on all public holidays during the schedule period except 9th and 10th Moharram-ul-Haram.

All electoral activities mentioned in the aforesaid schedule shall be undertaken during office hour (08:00 a.m. to 04:00 pm) and the said timing will also be followed on public holidays fixed for any electoral activity of the schedule.

**By order of the Election Commission of Pakistan.**

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