ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 18th May, 2016.

No.F.6(15)/2015-LGE (S):—In exercise of the powers conferred upon it under Article 140(A) of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, sub-section (1) of Section 34 & sub sections (3), (4), (6), (7), (8) and (9) of Section 18 of the Sindh Local Government Act, 2013 read with sub-rule (1) of Rule 49 of the Sindh Local Councils (Election) Rules 2015 and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Election Commission of Pakistan hereby issues Schedule for filling up the seats in District Councils, Municipal Committees, Town Committees, Municipal Corporation, District Municipal Corporations and Metropolitan Corporation relating to Sindh Province and calls upon the members of the electoral college of concerned Councils, Committees and Corporations to elect Mayor / Deputy Mayor and Chairman / Vice-Chairman and specifies in relation thereto, the following dates.

Sr. No.	Activity	Date
1	Issuance of Schedule by the ECP	18.05.2016
2	Public Notice to be issued by the Returning Officers on	20.05.2016
3	Filing of Nomination papers with the Returning Officers by the Candidates	23.05.2016 & 24.05.2016
4	Scrutiny of nomination papers by the Returning Officers	25.05.2016 & 26.05.2016
5	Last date for filing of appeals against decisions of the Returning Officers (accepting / rejecting the nomination papers)	28.05.2016
6	Last date for deciding appeals by Appellate Authorities.	30.05.2016
7	Last date for withdrawal of candidature	31.05.2016
8	Publication of revised list of candidates along with symbols.	01.06.2016
9	Poll day	08.06.2016
10	Consolidation and Declaration of result by the Returning Officer	09.06.2016

- 2. To ensure that elections to the Seats of Mayor / Deputy Mayor and Chairman / Vice-Chairman in the District Councils, Municipal Committees, Town Committees, Municipal Corporation, District Municipal Corporations and Metropolitan Corporation in Sindh Province are conducted in accordance with the provisions of Article 218(3) of the Constitution, the Election Commission of Pakistan directs that:
 - All Executive Authorities in the Federation and in the Provinces shall neither announce any development project nor use State Resources in Local Government Elections calculated to influence the elections in favour of a particular candidate;
 - If any person in Government Service misuses his official position in any manner in order to influence results of the elections, he shall be liable to be proceeded against under Section 68 of the Sindh Local Government Act, 2013;
 - (iii) No transfers / postings of the civil servants shall be made after the issuance of Election Schedule of the Local Government Elections without prior approval of the Commission till the publication of election results;
 - (iv) Any holder of public office, 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.

All electoral activities mentioned in the aforesaid schedule shall be undertaken during office hours (07:30 A.M. to 04:30 P.M.) 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.

(Atta-ur-Rehman)
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