## ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 11th September, 2024

Subject: - 2<sup>nd</sup> BYE-ELECTION OF VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF SEATS IN NCs/VCs OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA.

No.F.16(1)/2024-LGE-KP:- In exercise of the powers conferred upon it under Articles 140A (2) and 219(d) of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan read with Section 219 of the Elections Act, 2017, sub-section (1) of Section 75 and Section-81(4) and Section-86 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Local Government Act, 2013, sub-rule (1) of Rule-15 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Local Councils (Conduct of Elections) Rules, 2021 and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Election Commission of Pakistan hereby fixes the following dates for Local Government Bye-Election to fill different categories of vacant seats i.e. General, Woman, Peasant/ Worker, Non-Muslim and Youth in various Local Councils of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province notified as vacant by Election Commission of Pakistan vide Notification No.32(2)/2024-LGE-KP(Vol-I) dated 04-07-2024 and 28-08-2024 and those seats against which no Nomination was filed at the time of filing of Nomination Papers in election and calls upon the voters to elect their representative to respective Local Councils:

S#	Activity	Date
1	Public Notice to be issued by the Returning Officer for inviting nomination papers	13.09.2024
2	Dates for filing of nomination papers by the candidates	16.09.2024 to 19.09.2024 (Excluding the Holiday of Eid-Millad-un-Nabi)
3	Publication of list of Nominated Candidates (Form VIII) by RO	20.09.2024
4	Scrutiny of nomination papers by the Returning Officer	21.09.2024 to 24.09.2024 (Excluding Sunday)
5	Publication of List of Validly Nomination Candidates (Form-IX)	25.09.2024
6	Appeals against acceptance/rejection of nomination papers to be filed on by	26.09.2024 to 28.09.2024
7	Last date for Disposal of appeals by the Appellate Tribunal	30.09.2024 to 02.10.2024
8	Withdrawal of candidature by the validly nominated candidates	03.10.2024
9	Allotment of Symbols and publication of list of contesting candidates	04.10.2024
10	Polling day on	20.10.2024 (Sunday)
11	Consolidation and Declaration of result by the Returning Officer till	23.10.2024

To ensure that elections to the Local Government are conducted honestly, justly, fairly in accordance with law and to ensure that the corrupt practices are guarded against, 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 favor of a particular candidate;
- ii. 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 the Law;
- iii. District in respect of which election schedule of local government elections has been issued, no transfers / postings of the Government Officers and Officials including Autonomous Bodies/ Authorities shall be made without prior approval of the Commission till the publication of election results;
- iv. After the issuance of Election Schedule, the President, Prime Minister, Chief Minister, Governor, Speaker and Deputy Speaker of any assembly, Chairman and Deputy Chairman, of Senate, Federal and Provincial Ministers, Advisors to the Prime Minister or Chief Minister or any other holder of public office shall 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. In case if someone is resident of the district where election are being held he may visit the district however shall not take part in any kind of political activity.
- v. District in respect of which election schedule has been issued, no leave of the Government Officers and Officials including Autonomous Bodies/ Authorities will be granted after the issuance of Election Schedule of the Local Government Elections without prior approval of the Commission till the publication of election results. In case leave has already been sanctioned, the officer will not relinquish his charge without approval of the Hon'ble Commission:
- vi. Any holder of public office, who is found to have violated any provision of Elections Act 2017 and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Local Government Act, 2013 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 Officer and Returning Officer shall remain open on all public holidays if any activity provided in the schedule falls on that day.
- ii. All electoral activities mentioned in the aforesaid schedule shall be undertaken during office hours and the said timing will also be followed on public holidays fixed for any electoral activity of the schedule.
- iii. Polling Hours will be observed from 08:00 AM to 05:00 PM.

iv. Appellate Tribunals may start proceedings of hearing/deciding of appeals simultaneously from 30.09.2024 to 02.10.2024.

By order of the Election Commission of Pakistan

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