

ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 1st July, 2019

No. F. 3(PK-100)/2019-Elec-II:- In supersession of this Commission's Notification of even number dated the 19th June, 2019, the Election Commission, in exercise of its powers under Articles 220 & 245 of the Constitution and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, has decided that Pakistan Armed Forces/Civil Armed Forces shall assist Election Commission of Pakistan and make necessary security arrangements for conduct of elections in KP assembly in erstwhile FATA districts scheduled to be held on 20th July, 2019, in the following manner:

- i. Pakistan Armed Forces/Civil Armed Forces shall be deployed outside all polling stations and inside & outside highly sensitive polling stations from 18th July, 2019 to 21 July, 2019 for provision of secure environment to assist ECP in conduct of election in free, fair and transparent manner. After the close of poll, the troops shall be deployed at the offices of Returning Officers till consolidation of election results;
- ii. Pakistan Armed Forces/Civil Armed Forces shall be deployed at Printing Corporation of Pakistan, Islamabad from 5th July, 2019 to 20 July, 2019 to make fool proof security arrangements during printing/staking and storage of ballot papers;
- iii. Pakistan Armed Forces/Civil Armed Forces shall provide security during transportation of ballot papers from printing press to the offices of District Returning Offices/Returning Offices, from the offices of the Returning Officers to polling stations and back to district treasuries/ECP's strong rooms as per Communication Plan issued by the competent authority;
- iv. Pakistan Armed Forces/Civil Armed Forces shall be deployed at all training venues for the training of Presiding Officers/Senior Assistant Presiding Officers and Polling Officers from 1st July 2019 to 14th July, 2019 as per schedule issued by the Election Commission.
- v. Pakistan Armed Forces/Civil Armed Forces shall also deploy sufficient number of Mobile Vigilance Teams/Quick Reaction Force (QRF)/Reserves in all constituencies as part of an integrated security mechanism to provide secure environment.

2. The Election Commission of Pakistan in terms of Articles 220 and 245 of the Constitution, section 4 and 5 of Anti-Terrorism Act, 1991 (as amended), and section 5 read with section 193 of Elections Act, 2017 (XXXIII of 2017) hereby authorizes each designated officer in-charge of Pakistan Armed Forces/Civil Armed Forces (Gazetted as well as Junior Commissioned Officer) deployed for providing security inside and outside polling stations of a constituency shall exercise powers of Magistrate First Class for entire duration of their deployment in respect of offences under sections 169

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(personation) and 171 (capturing of a polling station or polling booth) punishable under section 174 of aforesaid Act and to take cognizance of any such offences under any of the clauses of sub-section (1) of section 190 of the Code of Criminal Procedure and to try any such offence in a summary way in accordance with provisions of said Code relating to summary trials.

3. Pakistan Armed Forces/Civil Armed Forces personnel deployed (inside and outside) a polling station while performing their security duties are supposed to first report to Presiding Officer any irregularity/malpractice, they observe inside or outside a polling station and act according to instructions issued by him in that regard. In case, Presiding Officer does not act to prevent commission of any reported irregularity/malpractice, security staff will immediately bring the matter to notice of designated officer-in-charge of Pakistan Armed Forces/Civil Armed Forces of an area of said constituency who shall immediately take action in light of powers delegated to him under para 2/above and also inform the Returning Officer concerned.

4. The troops so detailed shall also be governed by Article 245 of the Constitution of Pakistan (inclusive of all clauses and sub-clauses) and section 4 & 5 of Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997 (as amended), for the entire duration of deployment.

By order of the Election Commission of Pakistan.


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