## **ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

## PRESS RELEASE

Islamabad, the 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. - The Election Commission of Pakistan has drawn attention of contesting candidates for Bye-Elections in constituencies No.NA-45 Kurram-I, NA-75 Sialkot-IV, PP-51 Gujranwala-I and PK-63 Nowshera-III, to the provisions of Section 182 of the Elections Act, 2017, which provide that no person shall convene, hold or attend any Public Meeting and no person shall promote or join in any procession within the area of the constituency during a period of forty-eight hours ending at midnight following the conclusion of the PolI for an election in that constituency. Any person who contravenes these provisions of law shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years or with fine which may extend to one hundred thousand rupees or with both.

Accordingly, the election campaign for Bye-Election in aforesaid constituency shall come to an end with effect from the <u>midnight falling between</u> the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. The Political Parties and the candidates are requested to follow the provisions of law and exercise self-restraint so that the Poll is held in an orderly and peaceful manner on the 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.