

ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN



Secretariat
Constitution Avenue, G-5/2,
Islamabad, the 3rd November, 2025

NOTIFICATION

Subject: **MAGISTERIAL POWERS OF THE DISTRICT RETURNING OFFICER AND RETURNING OFFICERS (LG. ELECTIONS IN QUETTA DISTRICT OF BALOCHISTAN PROVINCE.**

No.F.2(2)/2025-LGE-B(Vol-IV):- In exercise of powers under Section 193 of the Elections Act, 2017 (Act No. XXXIII of 2017), the Election Commission is pleased to authorize the District Returning Officer and Returning Officers appointed for the conduct of Local Government Elections in Quetta District of Balochistan Province, scheduled to be held on 28.12.2025 to exercise the powers of the Magistrate of the First Class under the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (Act V of 1898) with immediate effect and until the consolidation and announcement of official results.

2. The aforesaid officers may exercise the powers of Magistrate First Class in respect of the offences defined in Sections 169 and 171, punishable under Section 174 of Elections Act, 2017 (Act No. XXXIII of 2017); and take cognizance of any such offence under Section 190 of the Code of Criminal Procedure; and shall try it summarily under Chapter XX of the Code.

By Order of the Election Commission of Pakistan.


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Deputy Director (LGE-B/ICT)

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2. Secretary to the Prime Minister, Prime Minister, Secretariat, Islamabad.
3. Chief Secretary, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.
4. Secretary, Local Government Rural Development and Agrovilles Department, Balochistan, Quetta (Balochistan Local Councils Election Cell,)
5. Inspector General of Police Balochistan.
6. Commandant Frontier Corps in Balochistan, Quetta.

II. Copy also forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. The Provincial Election Commissioner, Balochistan, Quetta
 2. The Regional Election Commissioner concerned,
 3. The District Election Commissioner concerned,
 4. The District Returning Officer, concerned,
 5. The Returning Officers, concerned,
- } **Through PEC, Balochistan.**

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