



ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

SECRETARIAT,
Constitution avenue, G-5/2,
Islamabad, the 27th February, 2025.

NOTIFICATION

No.F.3(5)/2023-LGE-S(Vol-VI)(2):— In exercise of the powers conferred upon it under Article 140(A) of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Sections 219 and 229 of the Elections Act, 2017, Section 34 of the Sindh Local Government Act, 2013 read with Rule-72 of the Sindh Local Councils (Election) Rules, 2015 and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Election Commission of Pakistan is pleased to issue election programme for Bye-Elections to the vacant seats of Chairman / Vice Chairman in Town Municipal Corporation, Town Committee, Municipal Committee and District Councils of Sindh province as declared vacant *vide* this Commission's Secretariat Notification No. **F.3(5)/2023-LGE-S(Vol-VI)(1)** dated 27th February, 2025 and call upon the members of the electoral college of concerned Councils to elect the Chairman / Vice Chairman specifying dates for various stages of election as following:

Sr. No.	Activity	Date
1	Public Notice to be issued by the Returning Officer on	05.03.2025
2	Filing of Nomination papers with Returning Officers by the Candidates	06.03.2025 to 07.03.2025
3	Scrutiny of Nomination papers by the Returning Officers	08.03.2025 to 10.03.2025 (excluding Sunday)
4	Dates for filing of appeals with Appellate Authorities against the decisions of the Returning Officers (<i>accepting / rejecting the nomination papers</i>)	11.03.2025 to 12.03.2025
5	Last date for deciding appeals by the Appellate Authorities	14.03.2025
6	Last date for withdrawal of candidature	15.03.2025
7	Publication of revised list of candidates along with party affiliation	16.03.2025
8	(i) Assembling of electoral college: From 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM (ii) Proceedings of Show of Hands: From 11:30 AM to 01:00 PM (iii) Compilation and declaration of result by the Returning Officer after the completion of proceeding of Show of Hands.	17.03.2025
9	Communication of result to the ECP	18.03.2025

2. To ensure that elections to the Local Governments 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:

- (i) *All Executive Authorities in the Federation and in the Provinces including the Governor, Chief Minister, Ministers, advisors, Special assistance and other setup 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;*
- (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;*
- (vii) *The Election Officials appointed for the conduct of elections as DRO, RO and ARO shall not be **transferred / posted** till the publication of election results;*
- (viii) ***No leave of the Election Officials** will be granted after the issuance of Election Schedule of the Local Government Elections 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.*

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 (including Sunday) if any activity provided in the schedule falls on that day.

Appellate Tribunals may start proceedings of hearing/deciding of appeals simultaneously from 11.03.2025

By order of the Election Commission of Pakistan.


27.02.25
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Deputy Director (LGE-S)

To

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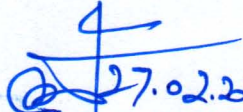
- 1 Registrar, High Court of Sindh, Karachi.
 - 2 Chief Secretary, Government of the Sindh, Karachi.
 - 3 Secretary, Local Government Department, Government of the Sindh, Karachi.
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II. Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

1. The Provincial Election Commissioner, Sindh, Karachi.
 2. Concerned Regional Election Commissioner.
 3. The concerned District & Sessions Judge (Election Tribunal) of Sindh Province.
 4. Concerned District Election Commissioner.
 5. Concerned Assistant Director (LG Housing & Town Planning Department).
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III. Copy also forwarded to the:-

1. Director to the Hon'ble CEC.
 2. Staff Officer to the Secretary ECP.
 3. PS to Hon'ble MEC-I, MEC-II, MEC-III, MEC-IV.
 4. JPA to the Special Secretary ECP
 5. SPA to the Special Secretary (Law).
 6. Director General (Political Finance)
 7. Director General (Training)
 8. Director General (IT)
 9. ADG (Electoral Rolls)
 10. ADG (MCO /Monitoring)
 11. Deputy Director (Budget)
 12. Deputy Director (GS)
 13. Deputy Director (Web) for uploading the same on the ECP website.
- } ECP Secretariat, Islamabad


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