



Sikandar Sultan Raja
Chief Election Commissioner of Pakistan

5th July, 2023

Subject: **PROVISION OF FOOLPROOF SECURITY DURING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS TO BE HELD ON 06-07-2023.**

My dear Chief Secretary!

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You are aware that the oath taking ceremony as well as election to the slots of chairman / vice chairman of all the District councils in Balochistan province is scheduled to be held on 06-07-2023. Provision of foolproof security during the event is the sole responsibility of the Provincial Government of Balochistan. Under Article 220 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, all the Executive Authorities in the Federation and in the provinces are under obligation to assist the Commission in discharge of its functions to conduct free, fair & transparent elections.

2. It is pertinent to mention here that despite the request for provision of foolproof security, the Election Commission apprehends that proper security arrangements have not been ensured by the Provincial Government for the smooth conduct of elections in the entire province especially in Dera Bugti and that there may be an apparent risk of violence.

3. Keeping in view the above circumstances, sensitive law and order situation, it is reiterated to ensure seamless and full provision of security cover during the oath taking and polling process. It may also be ensured that the voters are enabled to cast their votes without any coercion, threat or fear.

With best regards.

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Abdul Aziz Uqaili,
Chief Secretary,
Government of Balochistan,
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My dear Sheikh Sahib,

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3. Keeping in view the above circumstances, sensitive law and order situation, it is reiterated to point out that it is your legal and constitutional duty for ensuring seamless provision of security cover during the oath taking and polling process. It may also be ensured that the voters are enabled to cast their votes without any coercion, threat or fear.

With best regards.


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Abdul Khaliq Shaikh,
Inspector General of Police,
Government of Balochistan,
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Dere Ali Mustaza!

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2. It is pertinent to mention here that despite the deployment order issued by Ministry of Interior, regarding Frontier Corps, Balochistan (North), the threats of disruption and interference in the polling process including terrorist attack cannot be ruled out. The Election Commission apprehends that proper security arrangements have not been ensured for the smooth conduct of elections in the entire province especially in Dera Bugti and that there may be an apparent risk of violence.

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With best regards.


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Syed Ali Murtaza,
Secretary,
Ministry of Interior,
Government of Pakistan,
Islamabad.