

ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 25th September, 2023.

No.F.3(5)/2022-LGE-S:— 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, sub-section (1) of Section 34 & sub sections (3), (4), (6) ,(7), (7-A), (8) and (9) of Section 18 of the Sindh Local Government Act, 2013 and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Election Commission of Pakistan hereby issues schedule for filling up the vacant indirect seats in various councils, Committees and Corporation of District Jacobabad, Kashmore, Shikarpur, Larkana, Kamber Shahdadkot, Ghotki, Sukkur, Khairpur, Naushero Feroze, Shaheed Benazirabad, Sanghar, Mirpurkhas, Umerkot, Tharparker, Matiari, Tando Allahyar, Hyderabad, Tando Muhammad Khan, Jamshoro, Dadu, Badin, Sujawal, Thatta, Malir, Korangi Karachi, Karachi East, Karachi South, Karachi West, Karachi Central and Keamari Karachi, which have been notified as vacant by the Commission vide Notification No. F.3(5)/2023-LGE(S) dated 25th September 2023, against reserved seats of Women, Youth, Non-Muslims, Labourers / Peasants, Persons With Disabilities and Transgender Person Members in manner as provided in Section 18-A of the Act *ibid* and specifies in relation thereto, the following dates:

Sr.No.	Activity	Date
1	Public Notice to be issued by the Returning Officer on	02.10.2023
2	submission of Priority Lists of candidates with the Returning Officers by the Political Parties (if exhausted) & Filing of Nomination papers by the candidates	04.10.2023 to 07.10.2023
3	Scrutiny of Nomination papers by the Returning Officers	09.10.2023 to 11.10.2023
4	Dates for filing of appeals against the decisions of the Returning Officers (<i>accepting / rejecting the nomination papers</i>)	12.10.2023 to 14.10.2023
5	Last date for deciding appeals by the Appellate Authority	17.10.2023
6	Last date for withdrawal of candidature and publication of revised list of candidates with party affiliation	18.10.2023
7	Announcement of Result by the Returning Officers	20-10-2023
8	Communication of Result to ECP by the Returning Officers	23-10-2023



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:

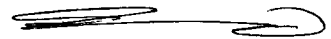
- (i) *All Executive Authorities in the Federation and in the Provinces shall **neither announce any development project nor use State Resources** in Local Government Elections calculated to influence the elections in favour of a particular candidate;*
- (ii) *If any person in Government Service misuses 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;*
- (v) *The Election Officials appointed for the conduct of elections as DRO and RO shall not be **transferred / posted** till the publication of election results;*
- (vi) ***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.

All electoral activities mentioned in the aforesaid schedule shall be undertaken during office hours and the said timings will also be followed on public holidays fixed for any electoral activity of the schedule.

Appellate Tribunals may start proceedings of hearing/deciding of appeals simultaneously from 12-10-2023.

By order of the Election Commission of Pakistan.



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To

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