

BEFORE THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

PRESENT

**MR. NISAR AHMED DURRANI,
MR. SHAH MUHAMMAD JATOI,**

**MEMBER-I
MEMBER-II**

Case No.F. 2(19)/2018-Conf.

In Re: **CHANGE OF PARTY'S NAME FROM "PAKISTAN TEHREEK-E-INSAF (GULALAI) TO "JAMAAT-E-SUFFAH".**

Ms. Aisha Gulalai Wazir, Chairperson, Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (Gulalai), Peshawar
Applicant

For the Applicant : In person
On behalf of ECP : Mr. Musaddiq Anwar, DD (Conf.)
Mr. M. Mehtab Ahmed Abbasi, AD (Conf.)
Date of Hearing : 21.03.2023

ORDER

Shah Muhammad Jatoy, Member.— Brief history of the case is that Ms. Aisha Gulalai Wazir, Chairperson, Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (Gulalai), Peshawar vide letter, dated 11.01.2023 has stated that Central Committee of the party in its meeting held on 25.09.2022, has passed a resolution to change the name of party from "Tehreek-e-Insaf (Gulalai)" to "Jamaat-e-Suffah" with the request for its approval. The Chairperson also sent intra party election related documents held on 07.10.2022 seeking there-with condonation of delay in submission of the said documents. Following documents have been submitted by the Chairperson of the party:-

- i) Amended party constitution.
- ii) Resolution of National Council dated 25-09-2022 (for change of party's name.)
- iii) Certificate of Intra Party Election (Form 65).
- iv) Notifications of elected office Bearers alongwith attested copies of CNIC.



2. The Confidential Branch returned back the documents to the applicant for fulfillment of certain deficiencies/observations. After removing the deficiencies / observations raised by the Confidential Branch, applicant again submitted requisite documents in support of change of name of the party for approval. The detail of observations and compliance thereof is given here under:-

S.No	Observations raised by this office	Compliance by the party
1	The party has submitted constitution with several amendments whereas nothing has been provided with regard to the proceeding/minutes of the meeting of the National Council which is empowered in this regard by 2/3rd majority of members present as per Article-XV of constitution of the party.	Party has provided unchanged constitution without any amendments only by replacing old name of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (Gulalai) with "Jamaat-e-Suffah".
2	The resolution of National Council passed on 25.09.2022 for the change of party's name found without any proceeding/minutes of meeting of the National Council.	Detailed documents relating to the meeting of the Central Committee and National Council held on 25.09.2022 wherein unanimous resolution was passed and approved the change of party's name as "Jamaat-e-Suffah" and holding of acting charge by Chairperson till intra-party election.
3	Official website of the party has not been mentioned in amended constitution.	https://jamaat-e-suffah.org
4	No clause for the candidates contesting election on party ticket has been included enjoining him/her to submit Form C (Return of Election Expenses) within due course of time in the constitution.	Certificate regarding submission of Form-C by the contesting candidates has been provided.

4. Confidential Branch scrutinized the documents and found to be in order in accordance with section 208 & 209 of the Election Act, 2017 which required to be



published on ECP's website as well as in official gazette in accordance with section 209 of the Act ibid & Rule 158 of the Election Rules, 2017.


5. Applicant appeared and has urged that the name of the party has changed through resolution from "**Tehreek-e-Insaf (Gulalai)**" to "**Jamaat-e-Suffah**". She has prayed that the same may be changed in the official record of Election Commission of Pakistan.

6. Deputy Director (Confidential) while apprising the Commission has contended that no such party is registered with Election Commission of Pakistan with the name as prayed for by the applicant.

7. We have heard the arguments and perused the record. As the law does not prohibit the party to change its name. Thus application is accepted and party is allowed to change its name from "**Tehreek-e-Insaf (Gulalai)**" to "**Jamaat-e-Suffah**". Office to take follow up action as per law.

Islamabad
the 21st March, 2023




(Nisar Ahmed Durrani)
Member


(Shah Muhammad Jatoi)
Member