

ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

Islamabad, the 2nd June, 2023

ORDER

Whereas, according to the schedule issued by the Election Commission, the elections to the heads of local councils in Sindh Province i.e. Metropolitan Corporation, Municipal Corporations, Town Municipal Corporations, Municipal Committees, Town Committees and District Councils are scheduled to be held on 15.06.2023;

And whereas, the Election Commission has notified the District Returning Officers, Returning Officers for the said elections and also established polling stations for the elections to the heads of local councils (i.e. Mayors, Deputy Mayors, Chairmen and Vice Chairmen) in Sindh Province;

And whereas, under Section-18 of the Sindh Local Government Act, 2013, the directly elected members and members elected on reserved seats in the above-mentioned local councils are the Electoral College for the said elections, which are to be conducted through show of hands;

And whereas, the Commission has been approached by various political parties and contesting candidates and intimated that their candidates have been arrested and are under detention in different cases in the province of Sindh;

And whereas, under Article 218(3) of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the Election Commission is under obligation to ensure that the election is conducted honestly, justly, fairly and in accordance with law and the corrupt practices are guarded against;

Now therefore, the Government of Sindh is directed to ensure that voters for the elections of heads of local councils are brought on polling stations with all safety measures so that they could use their right of franchise in the aforesaid elections.

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Sikandai Sultan Raja Chairman / Chief Election Commissioner

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Mr. Nisar Ahmed Durrani Member -50/-

Mr. Shah Muhammad Jatoi Member

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Mr. Babar Hassan Bharwana Member



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<u>ORDER</u>

Whereas, the Election Commission has issued the election schedule for conduct of local government elections to the reserved seats in Union Councils and Union Committees in Sindh Province and as per timelines, polling will be held on 06.06.2023:

And whereas, the Election Commission has notified the District Returning Officers and Returning Officers and also declared the offices of Returning Officers as polling stations for the said elections:

And whereas, under Section-18 of the Sindh Local Government Act, 2013, and Rule 47 of Sindh Local Councils (Election) Rules 2015, the directly elected Chairman and Vice Chairman and general members elected from the respective ward are the Electoral College for the said elections, which are to be conducted through show of hands;

And whereas, the Commission has been approached by the various political parties and contesting candidates, who intimated that their candidates have been arrested and are under detention in different cases in the province of Sindh;

And whereas, under Article 218(3) of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the Election Commission is under obligation to ensure that the election is conducted honestly, justly, fairly and in accordance with law and the corrupt practices are guarded against;

Now therefore, the Government of Sindh is directed to ensure that voters for the elections to the reserved seats in Union Councils and Union Committees in Sindh Province are brought on polling stations with all safety measures so that they could use their right of franchise in the aforesaid elections.

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