ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 3rd July, 2023

Subject:-

ELECTION TO THE SEATS OF CHAIRMEN VILLAGE COUNCILS IN KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA.

No.F.16(1)/2023-LGE-KP: In exercise of the powers conferred upon it under Article 140A(2) of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, sub-section (1) of Sections-75 and 86 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Local Government Act 2013, read with Rule-52(6) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Local Councils (Conduct of Elections) Rules 2021, and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Election Commission of Pakistan hereby fixes 10th July, 2023 (Monday) as the date for the conduct of election to the seats of Chairmen of Village Councils and calls upon the Members/Electoral College of following Village Councils to elect Chairmen of their respective Councils which fall vacant due to death/ resignation of elected Chairmen:-

S#	District /Tehsil	Name of VC	Category of seat	No. of seats
1	2	3	4	5
1	Peshawar/ Peshawar City,	VC Regi Yousafzai	Chairman	1
2	D I khan/ D I Khan City,	VC Saggu Janubi	Chairman	1
3	Tank/Tehsil Tank	Vc-41,Fateh Chadrar	Chairman	1
4	Torghar/ Tehsil Daur Mera	VC Dada Banda	Chairman	1
5	Kohistan Lower/ Tehsil Bankand/Ranulia,	VC-9 Kass Dubair	Chairman	1
6	Mardan/Takht Bhai	VC Ahmed Abad	Chairman	1
7	Mardan/ Katlang	VC Sangao	Chairman	1

- 2. The Returning Officers (ROs) appointed vide this Commission Notification No.F.7(2)/2022-LGE-KP dated 03.07.2023 shall call meeting of Village Councils under their respective jurisdiction and inform all the Members of the concerned Council before election day clearly intimating the date, time and place of the meeting. The date of the meeting shall be 10th July, 2023 i.e. Election Day.
- 3. The nomination Form-XXVI attached with the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Local Councils (Conduct of Elections) Rules, 2021 shall be used for filling of nomination papers by the contesting candidates.

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- 4. The Returning Officer (RO) shall receive nomination papers till 01:00 PM.
- The Returning Officer (RO) shall scrutinize the nomination papers till
 02:00 PM.
- A member of the council can propose or second the nomination paper however they cannot propose or second more than one candidate.
- Any validly nominated candidate can withdraw his nomination till 02:30
 PM.
- 8. The RO shall read out to the Local Council, the names of contesting candidates in the order in which nomination papers are received and proceed to effect the election by an open division in the following manner. The RO will ask the members to proceed to a place specified in the room/hall, where an officer will be deputed to ascertain the support of each member for the candidate of his/her choice in a Register to be supplied by the PEC (Specimen of Register is given at the end).
 - a. Each member will enter name of the candidate of his/her choice in the relevant column in the Register, sign it and put his/her thumb impression before leaving the meeting room/hall.
 - b. A member who is unable to enter name of candidate due to any reason, may seek assistance of the person of his/her choice but the person providing the assistance shall not be polling agent or candidate himself.
 - c. No member who has recorded his/her support will be allowed to re-enter the meeting room/ hall, unless all members present have recorded their support.

A Chairman has to secure support of majority of the present strength of the Council:

- If two or more candidates are supported by an equal number of members, the Returning Officer shall draw a lot in respect of such candidates and the candidate on whom the lot falls shall be the Chairman of the Council.
- The lot shall be drawn in presence of the contesting candidates and their election agents as may be present.
- iii. If no candidates secure support/majority of the members in the meeting, the RO will report the matter to PEC who will send the same to ECP and the Commission will fix another date for the election.
- iv. On the conclusion of the election of chairman of the Council the RO shall prepare the result of election to the seat of Chairman of the council on the Format-A and shall immediately forward the same to the Provincial Election Commissioner through District Election Commissioner concerned along with attested copy of the relevant pages of the Register provided for maintaining record of the proceedings of recording support of the candidates for the seat of Chairman.

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- v. The Provincial Election Commissioner shall forward the consolidated result of councils in soft as well as in hard form on Format-B to the Commission.
- 9. All the activities of election i.e. Filling of Nomination, Scrutiny of Nomination Papers and Withdrawal of candidature shall be completed on the same day as fixed for the election i.e. <u>10th July, 2023</u>.
- 10. Election Hours shall be observed from 02:30 PM to 05.00 PM.

By Order of the Election Commission of Pakistan

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