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Statutory Notifications (S.R.O.)

ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 22nd June, 2018

S.R.O. 791(I)/2018.—In exercise of its powers conferred under section 239 of the Elections Act 2017 (Act No. XXXIII of 2017) the Election Commission is pleased to direct that following amendments shall be made in the Election Rules, 2017 namely—

In the Election Rules 2017-

- (a) The words namely "or agency, as the case may be," and the words "or Agency Election Commissioner" appearing in sub-rule (5) of rule 6 shall be omitted.
- (b) The comma appearing after the words "to each Province" in rule 7 along with the words appearing thereafter namely "Federally Administered Tribal Areas (hereinafter referred to as "the Tribal Areas")" shall be omitted.
- (c) In respect of both instances, the comma appearing after the word "Province" in sub-rule (1) of rule 8 along with the words appearing thereafter namely "the Tribal Areas" shall be omitted.

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- (d) The words namely "an agency or agencies" appearing in sub-rule (2) of rule 8 shall be omitted.
- (e) The words appearing in sub-rule (2) of rule 9 namely "and the Tribal Areas" and "the Tribal Areas and" shall be omitted.
- (f) The words namely "or agency or agencies" appearing in sub-rule (3) of rule 9 shall be omitted.
- (g) The comma appearing after the words "a district" along with the words namely "an agency," appearing in sub-rule (1) of rule 10 shall be omitted.
- (h) The words namely ", or, as the case may be, the agency" appearing in sub-rule (5) of rule 10 along with the words "or the agency" and the words "or agency" appearing in first proviso to sub-rule (5) shall be omitted.
- (i) The words namely "or the agency, as the case may be," appearing in sub-rule (1), the words namely "or agency" appearing in sub-rule (2), the words "or the agency" appearing at the end of sub-rule (4) and the words "or agency" appearing two times in sub-rule (5) of rule 12 shall be omitted.
- (j) The comma appearing after the word "Commissioner" along with the words namely "or, as the case may be, Agency Election Commissioner" appearing in proviso to sub-rule (1) of rule 16 shall be omitted.
- (k) After sub-rule (3) of rule 74, following new sub-rule (4) shall be inserted:
 - "(4) In case a disabled voter is having no finger at all to receive a personal mark of indelible ink under clause (c) of sub-section (4) of section 84, the personal mark shall be applied on the backside of lobe of his right ear."
- (I) After sub-rule (2) in sub-rule 80, following new sub-rule namely sub-rule (3) shall be added:
 - "(3) Before start of proceedings at the close of poll under this rule, the Presiding Officer shall require the polling agents belonging to same candidate who performed their duties at the polling booths of the polling station to nominate one polling agent from amongst them to witness the counting process:

Provided that only the polling agent so nominated in respect of each candidate shall be allowed to observe the counting process and he shall put his signature on the statements and the packets as and when asked by the presiding officer to do so."

- (m) After sub-rule (6) of rule 92, a following new sub-rule namely sub-rule (7) shall be inserted:
 - "(7) The political parties' lists of candidates to be submitted under this rule to the Commission in connection with election to the reserved seats for women or non-Muslims in an assembly shall be on Form-66."
- (n) The existing provision of the rule 93 sha!l be numbered as sub-rule(1) and thereafter following new sub-rule (2) shall be added:
 - "(2) If nomination paper of a candidate for election to the seat reserved for women or non-Muslims is rejected, the sum deposited by that candidate under sub-section (1) of section 61 may be refunded to him or her when he or she so applies under sub-section (5) of section 61:

Provided that the deposit made by the candidate, whose nomination paper has been accepted by the Returning Officer, shall become non-refundable and shall be forfeited to the Federal Government."

- (o) The words namely "or Federally Administered Tribal Areas" appearing in sub-rule (2) of rule 100 shall be omitted.
- (p) The words "or Federally Administered Tribal Areas," appearing in sub-rule (2) of rule 133 shall be omitted.
- (q) Chapter VIIA titled "Special procedure for voting and counting" shall be omitted.
- (r) In the table containing election symbols appearing under sub-rule (1) of rule 162, after serial No.174, a new symbol namely "Minar-e-Pakistan" shall be inserted against new serial No.174-A.
- (s) The words namely "District/Agency" wherever appearing in the Forms appended to the Rules shall be substituted with the word "District".
- (t) The words namely "Province/Areas" wherever appearing in the Schedule-II and the Forms appended to the Rules shall be substituted with the words "Province/Federal Capital".

- (u) Form-57 appended to the Rules shall be omitted.
- (v) After Form-65 appended to the Rules, following new form namely Form-66 shall be added:

"FORM-66

[see rule 92(7)]

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