ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 9th December, 2022

S.R.O. No......Law—In exercise of its powers conferred through section 239 of the Elections Act, 2017 (Act No. XXXIII of 2017), the Election Commission is pleased to make following amendments in the Election Rules, 2017, namely_

In the Election Rules, 2017—

(a) In Rule 58, the following proviso shall be inserted namely;

"Provided that the polling agent or agents so appointed under section 77 shall be the voter of the constituency."

By order of the Election Commission of Pakistan.

No. F. 23(71)/2021-Law (P/F)

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No. F.23(71)/2022-Law Whereas, the Elections Act, 2017 was promulgated on 2nd October 2017, Section 239 where of empowers the Election Commission to make Rules for carrying the purposes of the Act. Aforesaid Section 239 is reproduced as under:

"Power to make rules-(1) The Commission may, by notification in the official Gazzette and publication on the website of the Commission, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

(2) The Commission shall make the Rules under Sub-Section (1) subject to prior publication and after hearing and deciding objections or suggestions filed within fifteen days of the publication."

WHEREAS, the Election Commission accordingly framed the Election Rules, 2017 in pursuance of section 239 *ibid* and thereafter, in view of different situations, the Election Commission has carried out several amendments therein.

WHEREAS, the present situation so warrants and it is expedient to carry out further amendments in Rules 58 of the Election Rules, 2017 and these amendments are required to be published for inviting objections or suggestions to be filed within fifteen days of the publication which will be decided by the Commission after hearing as aforesaid.

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of its powers conferred under section 239 of the Elections Act, 2017 and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Election Commission is pleased to publish the aforesaid draft amendments with the direction that objections or suggestions in respect of any amendment may be filed in ECP Secretariat, Islamabad by 24th December, 2022 which will be decided by the Commission by hearing. The draft amendments are uploaded on the official website of the Commission i.e www.ecp.gov.pk.

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