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No.F.18(2)/2023-Cord
ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN



Secretariat

Constitution Avenue, G-5/2,
Islamabad, the 04th August 2023

Deputy Director-Web,
ECP, Sectt. Const. Ave. G-5/2, Islamabad.

Subject: **PROPOSED AMENDMENT IN FORM-31.**

Dear Sir,

Appended herewith is a copy of a notification and a copy of Form-31, for uploading on the official Website of ECP for 15 days for seeking objection from the parties.

Encl: **As above**

Yours faithfully,


(Saima Tariq Janjuha)
Deputy Director (Law)

ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN
NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 4th August, 2023

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) The Rule 46 shall be substituted with the following provisions namely;

46. Appointment of District Returning Officer.— The officer to be appointed by the Commission as District Returning Officer for each district or a specified area under section 50 may be in basic pay scale 18 or above, having good integrity and reputation:

Provided that the remaining period of service for such officer may be at least one year from the date of appointment as District Returning Officer.

(b) The Rule 47 shall be substituted with the following provisions namely;

47. Appointment of Returning Officer and Assistant Returning Officer.—
(1) The officer to be appointed by the Commission as Returning Officer for a constituency under section 51 may be in basic pay scale 17 or above, having good integrity and reputation:

Provided that the remaining period of service for such officer may be at least one year from the date of appointment as Returning Officer.

(2) The officers to be appointed by the Commission as Assistant Returning Officers for a constituency under section 51 may be in basic pay scale 16 or above, having good integrity and reputation:

Provided that the remaining period of service for such officer may be at least six months from the date of appointment as Assistant Returning Officer.

(c) The Rule 48 shall be substituted with the following provisions namely;

48. Appointment of Presiding Officers, Assistant Presiding Officers and Polling Officer.— (1) For a simultaneous election to the National and Provincial Assembly, there shall be a Presiding Officer for each polling station and as far as possible, two Assistant Presiding Officers and a Polling Officer for each booth at a polling station:

Provided that in case of a bye-election to a single seat of national, or, as the case may be Provincial Assembly, there shall be one Assistant Presiding Officer for each booth at a polling station.

(2) The person to be appointed by the Returning Officer as Presiding Officer under section 53 may be in basic pay scale 16 or above, having good integrity and reputation:

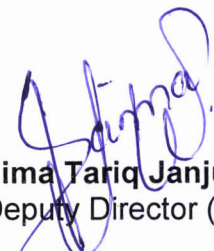
Provided that a person whose remaining service is less than six months from the date of appointment may not be appointed as Presiding Officer.

(3) The person to be appointed as Assistant Presiding Officers under section 53 may be drawn from amongst officials working in BPS-11 and above whereas the Polling Officers shall be the officials working in BPS-5 or above, having good integrity and reputation:

Provided that a person whose remaining service is less than six months from the date of appointment may not be appointed as an Assistant Presiding Officer, or, as the case may be, a Polling Officer.

By order of the Election Commission of Pakistan.

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Deputy Director (Law)

Proposed amended **FORM-31**
[see rule 53]

NOTICE IN RESPECT OF NOMINATED CANDIDATES

Election to the *National Assembly

Provincial Assembly of the Punjab

Sindh
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
Balochistan

No. and name of constituency

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Serial No.	Name of Candidate	Father's/ husband's name	National Identity Card No	Date of Birth as per NIC	Address of candidate
1	2	3	4	5	6

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etc.

Place

Date

Signature of Returning Officer

*Strike off the words not applicable.

