ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 27th July, 2021

DIRECTIVE

No. F. 7(3)/2021-LGE-C.— WHEREAS, the Election Commission of Pakistan under Article 140(a) & 219(d) of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Section 219 of the Elections Act, 2017 and Section 58 of the Cantonment Ordinance, 2002, is charged with the duty for conducting Local Government Elections in the Cantonment Boards in accordance with relevant provisions of law;

WHEREAS, Article 218 (3) provides that it shall be the duty of the Election Commission to organize and conduct the election and to make such arrangements as are necessary to ensure that the election is conducted honestly, justly, fairly and in accordance with law, and that corrupt practices are guarded against;

(1413)

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[1116(2021) Ex.Gaz.]
WHEREAS, Election Commission of Pakistan has issued election programme for conduct of Local Government Elections in Cantonment Boards, whereby, proceedings have been started on 15-07-2021 and polling will be held on 12-09-2021 and ECP has to make necessary arrangements for the purpose in all Cantonment Boards in accordance with law;

WHEREAS, it has been reported by the Director General, Military Lands and Cantonments Department that Hon’ble Lahore High Court, Rawalpindi Bench, has declared the notification dated 05-10-2020 of varied Cantonments without lawful authority and Law & Justice Division opined that previous boards are in field in the absence of any restraining order by the Court, meaning thereby, that the previous board are continuing by virtue of order dated 23-12-2020.

NOW THEREFORE, to ensure free and fair elections in the Cantonment Boards, the Election Commission in exercise of the powers conferred upon it under Article 218 (3) of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan Section-219 (6) of the Elections Act, 2017, Section 58 (5) of the Cantonment Ordinance, 2002 and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, is pleased to direct that Cantonment Boards across the country shall neither announce and approve any development scheme till the culmination of election process nor member of the any board shall use resources of Cantonment Boards or his office, however, developments schemes which are already approved and work order thereof issued, will remain continue.

By Order of the Election Commission of Pakistan.

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Director (LGE).