PART III

Other Notifications, Orders, etc.

ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 5th January, 2021

No. F. 6(PS-52)/2020-Elec-II.— In pursuance of Article 218(3) of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, it is the duty of Election Commission of Pakistan to organize and conduct election and to make such arrangements as are necessary to insure that the election is conducted honestly, justly, fairly and in accordance with law and that corrupt practices are guarded against. The Election Commission, in exercise of its powers under Article 220 & 245 of the constitution and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, has desired that Civil Armed Forces [Pakistan Rangers (Sindh)] shall assist the Election Commission of Pakistan and make necessary security arrangements to conduct of poll in constituency PS-52 Umerkot-II scheduled to be held on 18th January, 2021 by deployment of adequate force of Pakistan Rangers (Sindh) outside all the polling stations from 17th January, 2021 to 19th January, 2021.

(25)

Price: Rs. 5.00

[21(2021)/Ex. Gaz.]
2. The Election Commission of Pakistan in terms of Articles 220 & 245 of the Constitution, section 4 & 5 of Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997 (as amended) and section 5 read with section 193 of the Elections Act, 2017 (XXXIII of 2017) hereby authorizes that each designated officer in-charge of Pakistan Rangers (Sindh) deployed for providing security outside the polling stations of a constituency shall exercise powers of Magistrate First Class for entire duration of their deployment in respect of offences punishable under sections 169 (personation) and 171 (capturing of a polling station or polling booth) punishable under section 174 of the aforesaid Act and to take cognizance of any such offences under any of the clauses of sub-section (1) of section 190 of the Code of Criminal Procedure and to try and such offences in a summary way in accordance with the provisions of the said Code relating to summary trials.

3. Civil Armed Forces personnel [Pakistan Rangers (Sindh)] deployed (outside) all polling stations while performing their security duties are supposed to first report to the Presiding officer any irregularity / malpractice, they observe outside of polling station and act accordingly to the instruction issued by him in that regard. In case, the presiding officer does not act to prevent the commission of any reported irregularity/ malpractice, the security staff with immediately bring the matter to the notice of the designated officer-in-charge of Civil Armed Forces, of an area of the said constituency for action on light of the powers delegated to him under para 2/N above and also inform the Returning Officer concerned.

4. The troops so detailed shall also be governed by Article 245 of the Constitution of Pakistan (inclusive of all clauses and sub-clauses) and section 4 & 5 of Anti-Terrorism Act (1997) as amended, for the duration of deployment.

By Order of the Election Commission of Pakistan.

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