

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN**

**NOTIFICATION**

Islamabad, the 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2013.

**No.F.5(1)/2013-LGE(B):**— The Election Commission of Pakistan hereby issues the following Schedule for election to fill vacant seats in Rural and Urban wards of Local Councils of the respective district of the Province of Balochistan in terms of sub-section (1) of Section 30 of the Balochistan Local Government Act, 2010 read with sub-rule (1) of Rule 9 of the Balochistan Local Government (Election) Rules, 2013 and calls upon the electors of each such vacant ward to elect their representatives:

S.N o.	Activity	Date
1	Notice inviting nomination papers to be issued by the Returning Officer on	26-12-2013 (Thursday)
2	Nomination papers shall be received on	27-12-2013 to 28-12-2013 (Friday & Saturday)
3	Publication of notice of all the nomination papers received on	29-12-2013 (Sunday)
4	Objection to the nomination papers	29-12-2013 (Sunday)
5	Scrutiny of nomination papers and publication of names of validly nominated candidates on	30-12-2013 to 31-12-2013 (Monday & Tuesday)
6	Appeals against acceptance / rejection of nomination papers to be filed on	01-01-2014 & 02-01-2014 (Wednesday & Thursday)
7	Disposal of appeals on	03-01-2014 to 04-01-2014 (Friday & Saturday)
8	Withdrawal of candidature on	05-01-2014 (Sunday)
9	Publication of list of contesting candidates with symbols allotted to them on	06-01-2014 (Monday)
10	<b>Polling day on</b>	19-01-2014 (Sunday)
11	Declaration of results by the Returning Officer on	21-01-2014 (Tuesday)

2. With a view to ensure that elections to the respective local councils are conducted honestly, justly, fairly and in accordance with law and to ensure that the corrupt practices are guarded against, the Election Commission of Pakistan directs that:

- a. All Executive Authorities in the Federation and in the Provinces shall not use State Resources in Local Government Elections calculated to influence the elections in favour of a particular candidate or a political party.
- b. If any person in government service misuses his official position in any manner in order to influence results of elections, he shall be liable to be proceeded against under Section 60 of the Balochistan Local Government Act, 2010.
- c. No transfers / postings of the civil servants shall be made after the issuance of Schedule of local government elections without prior approval of the Commission till the publication of election results.
- d. After the issuance of Election Schedule, the Prime Minister, Governor, Chief Minister, Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Federal and Provincial Ministers, Advisors to the Prime Minister or Chief Minister or any other holder of public office will not visit the area of any local council to announce any development scheme or to canvass or campaign for any candidate or any political party.
- e. No Deputy Commissioner/ District Coordination Officer shall perform protocol duty with the Prime Minister, Chief Minister, Speaker, Deputy Speaker,

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Federal Ministers, State Ministers, Provincial Ministers, Advisors to the Prime Minister and Chief Minister or any person on their behalf till conclusion of the electoral process.

- f. Any holder of public officer, who is found to have violated any provision of election laws or the instructions issued by the Election Commission, shall be proceeded against as mandated in law.

**Note:** The offices of the Election Commission as well as the offices of District Returning Officers and Returning Officers shall remain open on all public holidays during the schedule period.

All electoral activities mentioned in the aforesaid schedule shall be undertaken during office hours (08:00 a.m. to 04:00 pm) and the said timing will also be followed on public holidays fixed for any electoral activity of the schedule.

**By order of the Election Commission of Pakistan.**

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**(Tanveer Zia Butt)**  
Joint Secretary (LGE)

*23/11/13*

To:

The Manager,  
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- i) The Chief Secretary, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.
- ii) The Secretary, Local Government Department, Balochistan, Quetta.

**II. Copy also forwarded for information to the:**

- i. The Provincial Election Commissioner, Balochistan, Quetta.
  - ii. All District Returning Officers.
  - iii) All Returning Officers.
  - iv) All Assistant Returning Officers.
  - v) All Regional Election Commissioners.
  - vi) All District Election Commissioners.
- Through PEC, Balochistan,

**III. Copy forwarded to the:**

- i. Additional Director General (Admn)
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  - viii. SPS to Hon'ble ACEC
  - ix. PS to Hon'ble Members
  - x. SPS to Secretary
  - xi. PS to Additional Secretary
  - xii. Director (Law)
  - xiii. Deputy Directors (LGE-P, S, KPK)
  - xiv. Deputy Director (Cord)
  - xv. Deputy Director (G.S)
- ECP Secretariat, Islamabad.

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**(Abdul Qayyum)**  
Deputy Director (LGE-B)