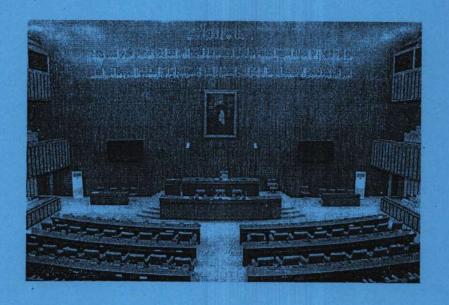


REPORT

ON
THE HOLDING OF FREE, FAIR &
TRANSPARENT ELECTIONS /
SECURITY OF
GENERAL ELECTIONS, 2018



Presented by:
Senator A. Rehman Malik,
Chairman
Senate Standing Committee on Interior /
Coordinator
Senate-nominated Coordinating Committee to Oversee the
General Elections 2018

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Senate House vide letter dated 12th July, 2018 had appointed the Senate Standing Committee on Interior as a Coordinator to monitor the security, free, fair and transparent Elections, 2018. The Committee has held number of meetings on the security of Voters, Candidates, Heads of the Political Parties, Polling Staff and Vicinity/Polling Stations. Five meetings on the subject matter were held on 28th May, 2018, 19th July, 2018, 20th July, 2018, 24th July, 2018 and 8th August, 2018 respectively.

All the concerned Departments including Secretary Interior, Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan, Secretary Defence, Chairman PEMRA, Chairman NADRA, Chairman, PTA, Chief Commissioner Islamabad, all I.G.Ps attended the meetings of the Committee.

The Representative of GHQ also attended the meeting held on 19th July, 2018 and briefed the Committee about the arrangements made for the security of the General Election, 2018. I would like to appreciate the Pakistan Army, Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) for keeping the Elections vicinities secured as there was hardly any security related incident. I, however, condemn the incident of terrorist attack in Quetta which took place on the Elections Day i.e. 25th July, 2018, near a Polling Station.

I am grateful to all learned Members of the Committee/Special Invitees who attended all the meetings with extra ordinarily contributions which were very helpful enabling us to generate this pragmatic outcome in the shape of this report. It will serve as a guideline for any further investigation by any Judicial or a Parliamentary Commission.

I am also thankful to the Chairman Senate for his continued support and confidence reposed in me and the Committee.

I would also like to appreciate Mr. Amjed Pervez Malik, Secretary Senate, Mr. Tanvir Ahmed, Secretary Committee, Mr. Saifullah Khan, Director Staff, Mr. Imran Ali, APS, and all other Staff Members of the Senate Secretariat who dedicated day and night and spent extra hours in assisting me to compile this report. A final report shall be submitted after the final deliberations on it in the due course of time.

(Senator A. Rehman Malik)



(Sitara-i-Shujaat Gallantry, Nishan-i-Imtiaz)
Former Federal Interior Minister/
Chairman Senate Standing
Committee on Interior

Islamabad, dated 11th August, 2018

The Chairman, Senate of Pakistan, Islamabad.

Subject:

INTERIM REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR/ COORDINATOR TO MONITOR FREE, FAIR AND TRANSPARENT, ELECTIONS / SECURITY ON THE ELECTIONS DAY I.E. 25TH JULY, 2018.

Dear chairman.

Reference your earlier directions in the House, as a ruling, dated 12th July, 2018, I as Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior / Senate-nominated Coordinator, held series of formal and informal meetings on the subject to monitor the security of the General Elections, 2018 and the official functionaries also assisted the Committee on the subject above.

I am of the view that we should not discard the Elections, 2018 based on hearsays but let there be thorough probe on each TOR / series of complaints enabling us to reach to a definite conclusion either through the Judicial Commission, Parliamentary Commission or complete forensic audit of the ballot papers and biometric of voters thumb impressions.

The Committee after long deliberations based on the available information and material considered the situation emerging pre and post Elections, 2018. A progress Report in the form of minutes of the meeting has already been submitted to the House on 21st July 2018. The complete Report (Volume-II) is in process and will be submitted as soon as possible.

I would like to submit the following for your perusal as it is the gist of the progress achieved by the Committee and also have proposed a course of future action.

PART - I:

The investigation on the alleged failure of RTS/RMS Systems:

 The Committee along with its finding had referred the matter of failure of Result Transmission System (RTS) and Result Management System (RMS) to ECP, vide this Committee's letter dated 26th July, 2018. (copy enclosed).

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- 2) The ECP has asked the Cabinet Division for further investigation as per the TORs, vide ECP's letter dated 2nd August, 2018 (copy enclosed).
- 3) The Committee reviewed both the letters in its meeting held on 08th August, 2018 openly and have asked the ECP and Cabinet Division for induction of additional members at the level of Sr. Joint Secretary of M/o Interior and a senior member of Law Division, for additional input/expertise.
- 4) The Committee has directed for an interim Report by 20th August, 2018, from the ECP/Cabinet Division and NADARA in the above specific matter of failure of RTS/RMS Systems.
- 5) The question of investigation by Judicial Commission or Parliamentary Commission into failure of RMS and RTS came into discussions in the meeting held on 08th August, 2018 and finial deliberations will take place in the next meeting of the Committee. A clear point of view from the ECP and Cabinet Division will be before the Committee and the position will be much clearer enabling the Committee to conclude the discussion based on the facts.
- 6) In the meantime, the initial Reports from Cabinet Division/ ECP/ NADRA & other Stakeholders will be available for the consideration of the Committee. The House shall be informed accordingly after the next meeting.

PART - II:

Other alleged complaints surfaced through the Pressers of Leadership of different Political Parties, Media and etc., as under:-

- 1) Form 45 and its short supply to some polling stations.
- Non-provision of Form-45 to the candidates post polling time after the counting of votes.
- 3) Delay in announcing the results by ECP, whereas the results should have been announced within the specific appropriate time period by the ECP.
- 4) Forced ouster of Polling Agents from the polling stations the ground reality can be verified from the thorough probe in all the polling stations.
- 5) Discovery of ballot papers from garbage/ dust bins/ road side in the bags. Police is already investigating this discovery of ballot papers.

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- 6) The ECP has already been asked to submit a detailed report from points 1 to 4 above as per this Committee letter dated 26th August, 2018 (copy enclosed).
- 7) The Committee has already taken the matter at Serial No.5 above regarding discovery of ballot papers from garbage dumps etc. and has already been referred to the all I.G.Ps, Home Secretaries and Secretary, ECP vide letter dated 06th August, 2018, (copy enclosed) directing all concerned that report to be submitted by 20th August, 2018 to the Secretary Committee.
- 8) All these issues are already in the public domain and media. This Committee has listed out all the issues and referred for investigation and has asked for the reports as clearly stated above.
- 9) The above background and substantive outcome has already been achieved by this committee which will serve as basic documents and guide lines for any Judicial Commission or Parliamentary Commission/ Forensic audit by teams experts.
- 10) In other words the basic material and TORs are ready for any investigating forums which include the Government, Parliamentary or Judicial Forums.

The Committee will deliberate on the above proposals namely Judicial Commission, Parliamentary Commission and forensic audit though there were views from the Members of the Committee for and against on these proposals generated in the Committee by the various members.

The Committee will discuss the above proposals separately for RTS and RMS and the second segment of TORs from Serial No. 1 to 5 in the presence of all the stake holders to come to some logical workable solution.

The Committee in its next meeting will suggest a proper legal road map for further probe considering all the complaints / media reports / official reports based on hard facts and not hearsay and no aspect will be left un-probed.

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I propose that you may like to discuss these findings and on-going probe by the Senate Standing Committee on Interior / Coordination of the Upper House with the Speaker of the National Assembly enabling him to have the full background and readily available TORs for the new members of the National Assembly and other Stakeholders.

(Senator A. Rehman Malik)

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.

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2. The Secretary, National Assembly, Islamabad.



PREAMBLE

Reference the decision of the Chairman Senate, after detailed deliberations on the General Elections 2018 in the House on 12th July 2018, wherein Senator A. Rehman Malik, Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior was appointed as a Coordinator / Focal Point to "Oversee the General Elections 2018" and accordingly he was empowered to proceed in it and to coordinate with the concerned departments.

Accordingly five meetings on the subject matter were held on 28th May, 2018, 19th July, 2018, 20th July, 2018 and 8th August, 2018 respectively. The agendas of the meetings are reproduced as under:-

1) Agenda Item Discussed On 28th May, 2018:

"The detail of the measures being taken to ensure external and internal security of the polling stations during Elections, 2018".

2) Agenda Items Discussed On 19th July, 2018:

- Briefing on the Security arrangements made for Voters, Candidates, Electoral Staff and the Vicinity/Locations of the Polling Stations on the Election's Day, 2018.
- ii. Briefing by the NACTA on security measures taken for the Heads of the Political Parties and other Political Leadership in the light of recent Security Threats.

3) Agenda items discussed on 20th July, 2018:

"Briefing by the FIA on the action to be taken on spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties, individuals and the complaints received under Cyber Crime Act. (The point raised by some Members of the Committee that some elements are going scot-free and there is no proper deterrence against those who are involved in the negative / immoral use of the Social Media".

4) Agenda item discussed on 24th July, 2018:

"Briefing by the FIA on the action to be taken on spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties, Individuals and the complaints received under Cyber Crimes Act:-

(This point was raised by Honourable Senator Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh in the meeting of the Committee held on 19th July, 2018 that some elements are going scot-free and there is no proper deterrence against those who are involved in the negative/immoral use of the Social Media)"

5) Agenda item discussed on 08th August, 2018:

"Discussion on the complaints and reservations expressed by the Political Parties, Media and General Public on the conduct of General Elections, 2018".



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All the recommendations made in the said meetings of the Committee were incorporated in the minutes of the meetings separately. (Copies of all minutes of the meetings are attached in this report).

PRE - ELECTION MEETINGS HELD ON 19TH & 20th JULY, 2018:

The meeting of the Interior Committee held on 19th July, 2018 emerged into a larger Committee by inviting all the available Members of the House as Special Invitees/Coopted Members. Senator A. Rehman Malik, Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior personally contacted Secretary Defence, with the request to have a Senior Representative of GHQ nominated to brief the Committee on the Security plan chalked out by the Pakistan Army for the Election's Day, i.e. 25th July, 2018.

The Secretary Interior, Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan, Secretary Defence, Representative of the GHQ (Maj. Gen. Asif Ghafoor), Chairman PEMRA, National Coordinator NACTA, D.G.FIA, Chairman NADRA, Chief Commissioner Islamabad, Home Secretaries of all Provinces and I.G.Ps of Islamabad, Punjab, Balochistan, Sindh and KPK attended the meeting and briefed the Committee in detail. Thereafter, the forum was given to the Hon'ble Members / Coopted Members to ask questions on the briefings given by all above Stakeholders. (Copy of the minutes attached).

DISCUSSIONS ON THE MISUSE OF SOCIAL MEDIA:

On the pointation of some of the Members, the matter pertaining to misuse of social media was taken into consideration and the directions were given to FIA/PTA to submit the detail of the cases wherein the candidates of the Political parties were directly hit with negativity affecting the election process. The FIA informed the Committee in the meeting held on 20th July, 2018 that they had undertaken inquiry into the complaints received. The Committee reviewed the progress made by FIA and appreciated for doing professional job. FIA was further directed to complete the inquiries and ensure the legal action against those who found involved in spreading disinformation against the politicians and other personalities.

The Committee recommended that FIA and PTA to form a Joint Cell for immediate redressal of complaints regarding spread of abusive material on social media and to enhance the capacity of Cyber Crimes Cell. In pursuance of the recommendation of the Committee, PTA and FIA have nominated their Focal Persons to coordinate against Cyber Crimes in the country. (Copy of the minutes attached)

DISCUSSIONS ON SECURITY RELATED ISSUES:

Maj. Gen. Asif Ghafoor, Representative of GHQ, briefed the Committee on the security matters as to how the Pak Army will provide security to the Voters, Candidates, Polling Staff and Vicinities of Polling Stations. He ensured the Committee that foolproof security will be provided as 371,388 troops to be deployed on the Polling Stations across the country. The Representative of the GHQ stated "Pakistan Army do not have any link with the Elections; we are only working on the election commission's directives to improve the law and order situation and to secure the polling station. We do not have any direct or indirect role in poll processes".

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The Chairman Committee after hearing the briefing appreciated the Representative of Pakistan Army and instructed the Police to ensure foolproof security in the coordination with the Pakistan Army to the Heads of the Party, Candidates, Polling Staff and vicinities during the General Elections, 2018. The Home Secretaries and I.G.Ps of all Provinces were also directed to take immediate measures on the following points:-

- Provision of Security to the Voters, Candidates, Electoral Staff and the Vicinity/Locations of the Polling Stations on the Election's Day, 2018.
- ii. Police should ensure "Violence- Free" Polls on the Election's Day.

The Committee recommended that Ministry of Interior to direct all the Provincial Governments to make arrangements for installation of maximum number of CCTV Cameras operational as desired by the Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan.

It was reported by NACTA that there are serious threats to Heads of the Political Parties and other 65 politicians. The NACTA to share the threat alerts list with Heads of all the Political Parties and individual under threats and with the Senate Standing Committee on Interior for information of the House. It was also directed that district level committees should be formed to coordinate with NACTA and coordination level should be raised between NACTA, ECP, Provincial Governments and Heads of Political Parties. (Copy of the minutes attached)

DIRECTIONS BY THE COMMITTEE ON USE OF ABUSIVE LANGUAGE BY THE POLITICAL LEADERS DURING THEIR ELECTION CAMPAIGNS/JALSAS:

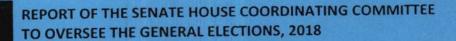
The Committee recommended that all Parties should be directed to follow the code of conduct of the General Elections, 2018. The Election Commission should take cognizance of the abusive language used by some Political Leaders against their opponents and action under Code of Conduct of ECP should be taken against those who used abusive language. The Election Commission of Pakistan informed the Committee that inquiries are already initiated against those who have reportedly used abusive language and action will be taken accordingly. (Copy of the minutes attached).

RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMITTEE TO RELEASE THE POLITICAL WORKS/LEADERS WHO WERE ARRESTED DURING THE RALIES OF POLITICAL PARTIES:

On the point raised by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi and Senator Sadia Abbasi, the Committee recommended that cases registered against Senator Zafar-ul-Haq and Former Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi, Senator Javed Abbasi and Senator Ch. Tanveer should be withdrawn and all political workers arrested on 13th July, 2018 should be released, immediately. (Copy of the minutes attached).

DIRECTIONS GIVEN TO PEMRA FOR ALLOCATING ATLEAST 3 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC AWARENESS FOR CASTING OF VOTE:

The Committee recommended that PEMRA to direct all the Private TV Channels to dedicate atleast 3 minutes daily for Public Awareness to motivate the voters to come out of their houses on 25th July and vote for the future of Pakistan. (Copy of the minutes attached.)



POST - ELECTIONS MEETING HELD ON 8TH AUGUST, 2018:

During the meeting of the Committee held on 8th August, 2018 the caretaker Minister of Interior, Mr. Azam Khan overwhelmingly appreciated the role of the Committee to have pointed out important issues pertaining to General Elections, 2018. He informed the Committee that Pakistan Army, Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs), Election Commission of Pakistan, Police and all other Stakeholders were provided guidelines in pursuance of the recommendations of the Committee. He was of the opinion that the security situation remained satisfactory and no unwanted/tragic incident of security lapse was reported. Responding to the question on the non-availability of Form-45 raised by the Committee, he informed the Committee that there was no negative intention on the part of any department. It happened due to the shortage of Form-45 which has also been pointed out by various political parties. The Committee asked the Election Commission of Pakistan to submit a detail report on the non-availability of the Form-45 before the next meeting of the Committee. (Copy of the minutes attached)

INFORMAL MEETING:

The Committee also held an informal meeting on 3rd August, 2018 to discuss the post General Elections, 2018 scenario and to discuss the way forward for finalizing the recommendations of the Committee to constitute a Judicial Commission or Parliamentary Commission to probe all the complaints and reservations expressed by various Political Parties, reported in media and expressed by general public pertaining to the General Elections, 2018.

LETTERS WRITTEN BY THE COMMITTEE:

Following letters were written by the Committee on the issues relating to Post Elections Scenario (Copies of the letters are attached in this report):

- The Committee wrote a letter to the Election Commission of Pakistan on 26th July, 2018 regarding failure of RTS/RMS Systems, non-availability of Form-45 and ousting of Polling Agents from the Polling Station on the Polling Day i.e. 25th July, 2018.
- In compliance of the Committee's letter, the ECP has written a letter to the Cabinet Division to hold an inquiry into the subject matter.
- 3) The Committee sent a letter on 6th August, 2018 to the IGPs, Secretary Homes and Secretary ECP, Secretary Law & Justice Division to submit a report on the discovery of Ballot Papers on the roadsides, dust bins, garbage, class rooms of the Polling Stations and other public places.
- 4) A letter was also written to Chairman, NADRA for submitting report on failure of RTS System and PTCL services as Internet service provider.
- 5) The Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior has informed about the progress made by the Committee to oversee the General Elections, 2018, through a letter to Chairman Senate.

The Report of the Committee is submitted in the House containing detailed discussions / recommendations made by the Committee in the meetings. The Report may be distributed among the Leader of House, Leader of the Opposition and all Parliamentary Leaders of the Political Parties, all Members of the House for their perusal, please.

(TANVIR AHMED)
D.G./ Secretary Committee

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE THE GENERAL ELECTIONS, 2018:

Senator KalsoomParveen

Senator Muhammad JavedAbbasi

Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan

Senator Muhammad Asad Ali Khan Junejo

Senator RanaMaqbool Ahmed

Senator Muhammad TalhaMehmood

Mr. Muhammad Azam Khan, Ex-Officio Member / Minister for Interior









Senator Farooq Hamid Naek

Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati

Senator Haji Momin Khan Afridi

Senator Mian Muhammad AteeqShaikh

Senator Kauda Babar

Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel













COOPTED MEMBERS OF HOUSE COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE THE GENERAL ELECTIONS, 2018:

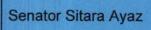
Senator Sadia Abbasi

Senator Begum NajmaHameed





Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif







SECRETARY SENATE / SECRETARY COMMITTEE:

Mr.Amjed Pervez Malik, Secretary Senate



Mr.Tanvir Ahmed, Director General / Secretary Committee



GOVERNMENT FUNCIONARIES PARTICITATED:

- Mr. Babar Yaqoob Fateh Muhammad, Secretary, Election Commission of Pakistan.
- Mr. Yousaf Khokhar, Secretary, Interior.
- 3. Lt. Gen. Zamirul Hassan Shah, Secretary, Defence.
- 4. Maj. Gen. Asif Ghafoor, Representative of GHQ.
- 5. Chairman, NECTA.
- 6. Chairman, PEMRA.
- 7. Chairman, PTA.
- 8. Director General, FIA.
- 9. Chief Commissioner, Islamabad.
- 10. Inspector Generals of Police, Islamabad, Punjab, KPK, Balochistan and Sindh.
- 11. Representative of Ministry of Law & Justice.

COPIES OF THE LETTERS WRITTEN BY THE COMMITTEE

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- 5) A letter was written to Chairman, NADRA on 13th August, 2018, for submitting report on failure of RTS System and PTCL services as Internet service provider.
- 6) The Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior has informed about the progress made by the Committee to oversee the General Elections, 2018, through a letter to Chairman Senate on 11th August, 2018.



No.F.21(1)/2018-Legis. Islamabad, the 12th July, 2018.

Subject:-

SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE GENERAL ELECTIONS-2018; FORMATION OF A COMMITTEE

The Senate of Pakistan, in its sitting held on 11th July, 2018, extensively and exhaustively deliberated upon the recent act of terrorism and security threats to the contesting candidates of the General Elections, 2018 and showed serious concerns over the security arrangements for them.

- 2. Keeping in view the concerns raised by the Members and taking note of the prevailing security threats, the Chairman Senate has been pleased to direct that the National Counter Terrorism Authority (NACTA) shall constitute a dedicated Committee to monitor and ensure security of the candidates during the election campaign. The Committee should seek reports from the provincial Governments and coordinate to ensure fool proof security for the candidates as well as political leaders and politicians. The Committee shall regularly send report to the Secretariat of the Senate of Pakistan about the status of security arrangements for the candidates and political leadership.
- The NACTA shall coordinate with the Provincial Governments for appointment of Focal Persons for better communication and flow of information regarding security of candidates and connected matters. A Focal Person shall also be appointed by NACTA who shall be responsible for seeking reports from the Provincial Focal Persons and coordination with the Senate Secretariat and Senate Standing Committee on Interior through Senate's Focal Person. Contacts details of Senate's Focal Persons are as under:-

Mr. Tanveer Ahmed
Secretary Standing Committee on Interior
Senate Secretariat,
Islamabad.
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tanvir.senate@gmail.com

- 4. Furthermore, it is also desired that proper security to all sitting Senators may be ensured.
- 5. In view of the above mentioned, you are requested to take appropriate action, at the earliest.

With regards,

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(MUHAMMAD ANWAR)

Dr. Muhammad Suleman Khan, National Coordinator, National Counter Terrorism Authority, Islamabad.

Copy for information and necessary action to:-

i. The Secretary, Ministry of Interior, Islamabad.

ii. The Chief Secretary, Government of Punjab, Lahore

- iii. The Chief Secretary, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar
- iv. The Chief Secretary, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.

v. The Chief Secretary, Government of Sindh, Karachi.

vi. The Inspector General of Police, Government of Punjab, Lahore

- vii. The Inspector General of Police, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar
- viii. The Inspector General of Police, Government of Balochistan, Quetta
- ix. The Inspector General of Police, Government of Sindh, Karachi.

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Office of the Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior

'IMMEDIATE' Islamabad, dated 26th July, 2018

Subject:

REPORT ON THE DELAY IN RESULTS AND BREAKDOWN OF RTS/RMS SYSTEMS, ON THE ELECTIONS DAY - 25TH JULY, 2018.

The undersigned has been directed to state that the Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior /Coordinator nominated by the Senate House to monitor and ensure the security of the General Elections, 2018, has expressed his concernsover the complaints, reservations and dissatisfaction shownsome major Political Parties on the results of General Elections held on July 25th, 2018.

- 2. The following points were agitated in the media by the Pressers of the various Political Parties, which needs to be addressed immediately:
 - i. The cause of the delay in elections results.
 - ii. The failure of Result Transmission System (RTS) and Result Management System (RMS), which remained out of order for a considerable time creating doubts in the minds of the public.
 - iii. Was there any guarantee given by the Service Provider for accurate functioning of the RTS/RMS Systems?
 - iv. Has the technical team, the service provider and the I.T. Department of the ECP evaluated or detected any hacking or virus attempt on the RTS/RMS Systems?
 - v. Is the responsibility being fixed against those who were responsible for uninterrupted, non-stopped and smooth functioning of the RTS/RMS Systems?
 - vi. How many incidents were reported to ECP regarding nonprovision of Form-45 to the polling agents as agitated almost by all Political Parties.
 - vii. How many cases were reported regarding ousting of the Polling Agents from the Polling Stations during counting of the votes.
 - viii. The failure of communication of results in the given mandated time as earlier announced by the ECP.



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- The Senate Standing Committee on Interior in its meeting held on 19th July, 2018 had already expressed its apprehensions on the proper, uninterrupted, smooth functioning of RTS/RMS System and its back up system. The Committee also recommended to ensure the protection, hacking and virus free mechanism for RTS/RMS Systems.
- 4. The above complaints came out to the public and it has fetched the public importance. The Chairman Committee has desired that detailed report on the above queries with clarity and factual position be submitted for information of the Committee, Senate House and for general public, please.
- 5. This issues with the approval of the Chairman Committee.

(TANVIR AHMED)
D.G./Secretary (Committee)
Senate Standing Committee on
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Tele No.051-9217643

The Secretary,
Election Commission of Pakistan,
Islamabad

ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

Secretariat Constitution Avenue G-5/2, Islamabad, the 2nd August, 2018.

To:

The Secretary,
Cabinet Division,
Government of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

Subject:-

INQUIRY OF RESULT TRANSMISSION SYSTEM (TRS) DURING CONDUCT OF POLLS ON 25TH JULY, 2018 AND AFTERWARDS.

Dear Sir,

I have been directed by the Election Commission of Pakistan to convey the decision of the Election Commission of Pakistan to hold an inquiry into the Result Transmission System (RTS) as mentioned in the above subject.

- 2. You are hereby directed in terms of Article 220 read with Article 218 (3) of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 to constitute an inquiry Committee consisting of technical experts from National Telecommunication & Information Technology Security Board (NTISB) and Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA). The terms of reference of the said inquiry shall be as follows:
 - i. Analyse the concept of TRS in terms of its implemnetability.
 - ii. Analyse the project of RTS as envisages by the ECP.
 - iii. Analyse preparation and finalization of RTS project by National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA).
 - iv. Analyse quality and extent of training imparted to various users under the project.
 - v. Analyse the train of events taking place on the night of 25th July, 2018 and thereafter.
 - vi. For responsibility of the responsible in terms of all the above and
 - vii. Make recommendations for future course of action.
- 3. The said inquiry must conclude within four (04) weeks if required other expert opinion may also be utilized after due permission of the Election Commission of Pakistan.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-(Ch. Nadeem Qasim) Director (Elections)



Office of the Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior

Islamabad, the 06th August, 2018.

Subject:

REPORT ON THE STAMPED BALLOT PAPERS FOUND ON ROAD SIDES, DUST BINS & VARIOUS CLASS ROOMS, POST GENERAL ELECTIONS, 2018.

In continuation of earlier letter of this office dated 26th July, 2018, the undersigned has been directed by Senator A. Rehman Malik, Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior / Coordinator nominated by the Senate House to Monitor Security of General Elections, 2018, to state that it has been noted with grave concern in the Media and by the general public that a large number of official ballot papers, duly stamped on election symbols of various political parties, which have been spotted along road sides, dust bins and in some class rooms which were earlier used by the Election Staff as Polling Stations. These lose official ballot papers were also found outside the Polling Stations in other cities of the country as well.

- 2. It is a matter of grave national concern that the official documents/Ballot Papers which were meant to be in the safe custody / possession of the staff of ECP/concerned government departments, have not been able to safeguard the ballot papers as per SOPs issued by the ECP. This situation has raised serious questions on General Elections, 2018. Apparently, it looks that there is no justification of the said bunch of ballot papers found in such public places. This shows the alleged irresponsible attitude of the ECP staff /concerned other Staff who have failed to perform their official obligations allowing the ballot papers to go in the unauthorized hands.
- 3. All IGPs and Home Secretaries are therefore directed to submit a comprehensive and consolidated report on the recovery of such stamped ballot papers in their respective jurisdictions and report on the above lines if they were stolen or it was an effort to make the General Elections, 2018 disputed or some other motives.



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- The Home Secretaries should ensure to collect the requisite 4. information in the form of a fully consolidated report and send to the Committee by 20th of August, 2018 as the Committee will look into the matter in its meeting scheduled to be held on 27th August, 2018.
- In the meantime the matter may be examined by the Secretary Law Division and propose some additional legal course of action including criminal negligence against those who failed to protect the official documents/state property. These unusual discoveries of the ballot papers on road sides, dust bins and public places shows the failure to comply with the SOPs issued by the ECP for General Elections, 2018.
- The Secretary, Ministry of Interior to kindly ensure to get the 6. desired consolidated report by 20th of August, 2018.
- In the meantime, the Secretary, Election Commission of Pakistan 7. may kindly look into these unusual recoveries of ballot papers which were the sole property of Election Commission of Pakistan. It will be highly appreciated, if their own report on these discoveries be sent to the Committee for submission to the Upper House of the Parliament.

This issues with approval of the Chairman Committee. 8.

D.G./Secretary (committee)

1. The Secretary Ministry of Interior, Islamabad.

2. The Secretary Ministry of Law and Justice, Islamabad

3. The Secretary, Election Commission of Pakistan, Islamabad.

- 4. The Secretary Home, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.
- 5. The Secretary Home, Government of Punjab, Lahore.
- 6. The Secretary Home, Government of Sindh, Karachi.
- 7. The Secretary Home, Government of KPK, Peshawar.
- 8. The Inspector General of Police, Islamabad.
- 9. The Inspector General of Police, Balochistan, Quetta.
- 10. The Inspector General of Police, Punjab, Lahore.
- 11. The Inspector General of Police, Sindh, Karachi.
- 12. The Inspector General of Police, KPK, Peshawar.

Copy for information to: The Secretary, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.



SENATE SECRETARIAT Office of the Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior

Islamabad, dated 13th August, 2018

Subject:

REPORT ON THE FAILURE OF RTS/RMS SYSTEMS ON THE ELECTIONS DAY, I.E. 25TH JULY, 2018.

The undersigned has been directed to state that Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior / Coordinator nominated by the Senate House to monitor the security of the General Elections, 2018, has desired that a report be submitted on the following points:-

PART-I

- i. Whether RTS was being controlled by ECP or NADRA Headquarters?
- ii. Whether the RTS Software was developed by NADRA itself or it was outsourced? If so please provide the names, details of the Contractor/Company and copy of the agreement of outsourcing the Software/App between NADRA and the Contractor.
- iii. The Committee was informed by NADRA in the meeting that the RTS system got slow down on the Elections day. Please provide the details of cause of slowdown of system as to how and when the RTS went slow (the exact time/cause)?
- iv. Was there was any backup system in place, if not why?
- v. What impact emerged on the elections result due to RTS failure?
- vi. Was the Election Commission of Pakistan taken into confidence about the slowing down of RTS and what measures were taken to restore the system?
- vii. Was there any hacking reported or detected during the slowdown of the system.

PART-II

- i. Under what authority PTCL was hired as internet service provider? Copy of the agreement between NADRA and PTCL.
- ii. What was the agreement between PTCL and NADRA and how much payment has been made to PTCL for providing internet service.



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- Who was the Project Director, NADRA responsible for RTS and who was the Project Director, PTCL. Their full credentials and how many shifts iii. were deployed to supervise the RTS.
- Was there any chance of hacking of PTCL/Internet service. iv.
- Were the PTCL services hired under PPRA Rules or the permission was taken from the Board of Governors (BoG), NADRA before signing the ٧. agreement between PTCL and NADRA.
- The copy of the questions asked by Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati is also enclosed for answers. The Chairman, NADRA to submit the report 2. before the 20th August, 2018.
- This issues with approval of the Chairman Committee. 3.

(TANVIR AHMED) D.G./Secretary (committee)

The Chairman, NADRA, Islamabad.

Copy to:-

- 1. The Secretary, Ministry of Interior, Islamabad.
- 2. The Secretary, Election Commission of Pakistan.



SENATOR A. REHMAN MALIK (Sitara-i-Shujaat Gallantry, Nishan-i-Imtiaz) Former Federal Interior Minister/ Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior

Islamabad, dated 11th August, 2018

The Chairman, Senate of Pakistan, Islamabad.

Subject:

INTERIM REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR/COORDINATOR TO MONITOR FREE, FAIR AND TRANSPARENT, ELECTIONS / SECURITY ON THE ELECTIONS DAY I.E. 25TH JULY, 2018.

Dear chairman,

Reference your earlier directions in the House, as a ruling, dated 12th July, 2018, I as Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior / Senate-nominated Coordinator, held series of formal and informal meetings on the subject to monitor the security of the General Elections, 2018 and the official functionaries also assisted the Committee on the subject above.

I am of the view that we should not discard the Elections, 2018 based on hearsays but let there be thorough probe on each TOR / series of complaints enabling us to reach to a definite conclusion either through the Judicial Commission, Parliamentary Commission or complete forensic audit of the ballot papers and biometric of voters thumb impressions.

The Committee after long deliberations based on the available information and material considered the situation emerging pre and post Elections, 2018. A progress Report in the form of minutes of the meeting has already been submitted to the House on 21st July 2018. The complete Report (Volume-II) is in process and will be submitted as soon as possible.

I would like to submit the following for your perusal as it is the gist of the progress achieved by the Committee and also have proposed a course of future action.

PART - I:

The investigation on the alleged failure of RTS/RMS Systems:

1) The Committee along with its finding had referred the matter of failure of Result Transmission System (RTS) and Result Management System (RMS) to ECP, vide this Committee's letter dated 26th July, 2018. (copy enclosed).

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- 2) The ECP has asked the Cabinet Division for further investigation as per the TORs, vide ECP's letter dated 2nd August, 2018 (copy enclosed).
- 3) The Committee reviewed both the letters in its meeting held on 08th August, 2018 openly and have asked the ECP and Cabinet Division for induction of additional members at the level of Sr. Joint Secretary of M/o Interior and a senior member of Law Division, for additional input/expertise.
- 4) The Committee has directed for an interim Report by 20th August, 2018, from the ECP/Cabinet Division and NADARA in the above specific matter of failure of RTS/RMS Systems.
- 5) The question of investigation by Judicial Commission or Parliamentary Commission into failure of RMS and RTS came into discussions in the meeting held on 08th August, 2018 and finial deliberations will take place in the next meeting of the Committee. A clear point of view from the ECP and Cabinet Division will be before the Committee and the position will be much clearer enabling the Committee to conclude the discussion based on the facts.
- 6) In the meantime, the initial Reports from Cabinet Division/ ECP/ NADRA & other Stakeholders will be available for the consideration of the Committee. The House shall be informed accordingly after the next meeting.

PART - II:

Other alleged complaints surfaced through the Pressers of Leadership of different Political Parties, Media and etc., as under:-

- 1) Form 45 and its short supply to some polling stations.
- 2) Non-provision of Form-45 to the candidates post polling time after the counting of
- 3) Delay in announcing the results by ECP, whereas the results should have been announced within the specific appropriate time period by the ECP.
- 4) Forced ouster of Polling Agents from the polling stations the ground reality can be verified from the thorough probe in all the polling stations.
- 5) Discovery of ballot papers from garbage/ dust bins/ road side in the bags. Police is already investigating this discovery of ballot papers.



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- 6) The ECP has already been asked to submit a detailed report from points 1 to 4 above as per this Committee letter dated 26th August, 2018 (copy enclosed).
- 7) The Committee has already taken the matter at Serial No.5 above regarding discovery of ballot papers from garbage dumps etc. and has already been referred to the all I.G.Ps, Home Secretaries and Secretary, ECP vide letter dated 06th August, 2018, (copy enclosed) directing all concerned that report to be submitted by 20th August, 2018 to the Secretary Committee.
- 8) All these issues are already in the public domain and media. This Committee has listed out all the issues and referred for investigation and has asked for the reports as clearly stated above.
- 9) The above background and substantive outcome has already been achieved by this committee which will serve as basic documents and guide lines for any Judicial Commission or Parliamentary Commission/ Forensic audit by teams experts.
- 10) In other words the basic material and TORs are ready for any investigating forums which include the Government, Parliamentary or Judicial Forums.

The Committee will deliberate on the above proposals namely Judicial Commission, Parliamentary Commission and forensic audit though there were views from the Members of the Committee for and against on these proposals generated in the Committee by the various members.

The Committee will discuss the above proposals separately for RTS and RMS and the second segment of TORs from Serial No. 1 to 5 in the presence of all the stake holders to come to some logical workable solution.

The Committee in its next meeting will suggest a proper legal road map for further probe considering all the complaints / media reports / official reports based on hard facts and not hearsay and no aspect will be left un-probed.

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I propose that you may like to discuss these findings and on-going probe by the Senate Standing Committee on Interior / Coordination of the Upper House with the Speaker of the National Assembly enabling him to have the full background and readily available TORs for the new members of the National Assembly and other Stakeholders.

with best wishes

Your Since by (Senator A. Rehman Malik)

Copy to:-

- 1. The Secretary, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 2. The Secretary, National Assembly, Islamabad.

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS

1) Agenda Item Discussed On 28th May, 2018:-

"The detail of the measures being taken to ensure external and internal security of the polling stations during Elections, 2018".

2) Agenda Items Discussed On 19th July, 2018:-

- Briefing on the Security arrangements made for Voters, Candidates, Electoral Staff and the Vicinity/Locations of the Polling Stations on the Election's Day, 2018.
- ii. Briefing by the NACTA on security measures taken for the Heads of the Political Parties and other Political Leadership in the light of recent Security Threats.

3) Agenda items discussed on 20th July, 2018:

"Briefing by the FIA on the action to be taken on spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties, individuals and the complaints received under Cyber Crime Act. (The point raised by some Members of the Committee that some elements are going scot-free and there is no proper deterrence against those who are involved in the negative / immoral use of the Social Media".

4) Agenda item discussed on 24th July, 2018:

"Briefing by the FIA on the action to be taken on spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties, Individuals and the complaints received under Cyber Crimes Act:-

(This point was raised by Honourable Senator Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh in the meeting of the Committee held on 19th July, 2018 that some elements are going scot-free and there is no proper deterrence against those who are involved in the negative/immoral use of the Social Media)"

5) Agenda item discussed on 08th August, 2018:

"Discussion on the complaints and reservations expressed by the Political Parties, Media and General Public on the conduct of General Elections, 2018".

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR HELD ON 28TH MAY, 2018 IN COMMITTEE ROOM NO. 1, PARLIAMENT HOUSE, ISLAMABAD

A meeting of the Standing Committee on Interior was held on 28th May, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. in Committee Room No. 1, Parliament House, Islamabad, under the Chairmanship of honorable Senator A. Rehman Malik.

- 2. The Agenda before the committee was as under:
 - i. Presentation of report by the Ministry of Interior on the measures taken to ensure security of under threat officials / persons.
 - ii. Detailed briefing on the criteria being followed to provide security to under treat persons.
 - iii. Detailed Report on the security lapse in defending the sitting Interior Minister who got injured in an assassination attempt in Narowal.
 - iv. Detailed report on the functionaries under security threat at present and the level of security being provided to them.
 - v. The detail of the measures being taken to ensure external and internal security of the polling stations during Elections, 2018.
 - vi. Any other items with permission of the Chair.
- The following members attended the meeting: -

i.	Senator A. Rehman Malik	Chairman
	Senator Kalsoom Parveen	Member
ii. iii.	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi	Member
	Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan	Member
iv.	Senator Muhammad Asad Ali Khan Junejo	Member
v. vi.	Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati	Member
vii.	Senator Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Member
	Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel	Member
viii. ix.	Senator Abdul Ghafoor Haideri	Observer

- 4. The list of participants of the meeting is attached as Annexure-A.
- The meeting commenced with the recitation from the Holy Quran. The Chairman Committee, in his opening remarks, strongly condemned the recent terrorist attacks on Pakistan Army, Law enforcement agencies and police in Balochistan and expressed grief over the loss of precious lives. The Chairman expressed his heartfelt condolences with bereaved families and paid rich tribute to Col. Sohail Abid and all other martyrs who sacrificed their life for the better tomorrow of Pakistan. On the request of the Chairman, Fateha was offered for all Shuhdas of the country.

- 6. The Chairman asked the Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan to inform the Committee about the measures taken or being taken to ensure external and internal security of the polling stations on Election Day, 2018. The Chairman expressed desire to have fool proof security measures for safe printing, transportation of ballot papers/boxes and control of rigging during the Elections. The Chairman assured the Secretary Election Commission that the Parliament is to provide its fullest support in holding General Elections in a free, fair and transparent manner.
- 7. The Secretary Election Commission informed the Committee that they had already announced 25th July, 2018 for General Elections, 2018. He stated that the primary role of the Election Commission is to hold general elections in a fair and free manner.
- 8. He informed that the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) had held extensive meetings with all provincial governments to ensure internal and external security of the polling stations.
- 9. He informed that 85,000 polling stations will be setup all over the country for which about 350,000 policemen will be deputed for security on the Elections Day. A part from this, Army, Rangers or F.C. can also be called on for sensitive polling stations.
- 10. The Secretary ECP informed the Committee that CCTV Cameras will be installed in 20,000 sensitive polling stations in the country.
- 11. The Chairman Committee suggested that all 85,000 polling stations should be facilitated with CCTV cameras if the Elections Act provides to do so.
- Responding to the question raised by the Chairman to counter rigging in the electoral process, the Secretary informed that the ballot papers in the upcoming General Elections will bear a watermark on them which is unprecedented is Pakistan's electoral history. Moreover, 140,000 voters have been deleted from the rolls due to deaths and other ineligibilities communicated by NADRA. As a result of this excesses, the number of registered voters in the country reached 97,016,232.

- 13. The Election Commission will use multiple electoral technologies during the next Elections. Result Management System (RMS) will be used through mobile phone apps for accurate, quick and effective communications of polling results.
- 14. The Secretary Election Commission stated that only the original CNIC holders will be allowed to exercise the right of the vote. The Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati said that the staff including security personnel deputed on the polling stations should be provided facilities of food and transportation by the Election Commission of Pakistan or respective provincial Government.
- 15. The Committee expressed its satisfaction on the briefing presented by the Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan regarding holding General Elections, 2018 in a fair, free and transparent manner.
- 16. Thereafter, The Chairman invited Special Secretary, Ministry of Interior to inform the committee about the criteria and procedure being adopted to provide police security to individuals facing security threat in the country.
- The Special Secretary informed the committee that under the direction of the Supreme Court of Pakistan an "Individual Security Threat Assessment Committee (ISTAC)" comprising of DIG Security, Islamabad Police, as Chairman and SSP Operations, Islamabad Police, SSP Security, Islamabad Police, AIG Special Branch, Islamabad Police, Director ISI, Islamabad, Director IB, Islamabad, Director NACTA, Islamabad, as members has been constituted to carry out threat assessment of individuals on case to case basis vide Central Police Office, Islamabad order No.18-198(B)/9838-44/Sec, dated 24.04.2018. The Terms of Reference of the ISTAC are as under:-
 - To review the threat assessment concerning all the persons from whom the security has been withdrawn in the light of Honourable Supreme Court of Pakistan;
 - ii. To review the case(s) of any other individual(s) whose threat assessment demands police security;
 - iii. To review the threat assessment of individual(s) on case to case basis in future.
- 18. Provision of security to a person is analyzed / assessed on the basis of the factors whether security threat is due to the following:
 - i. Service to state;

- ii. National cause;
- iii. Personal reasons;
- iv. Political reasons.
- 19. The Chairman Committee directed that the order of the Supreme Court of Pakistan should be implemented in letter in sprit. However he disagreed with the assessment procedure of the said committee.
- 20. The Chairman suggested that security should be provided to those individuals who have served for the country and they are facing security threat at present as well.
- 21. The Chairman stated that the case of Senator Abdul Ghafoor Haidri, Former Deputy Chairman Senate and, presently, holding portfolio of the Senate Standing Committee on Religious Affairs, is a glaring example of incompetence of the ISTAC. How it is possible to ignore the security threat to a person like Senator Abdul Ghafoor Haidri who survived a terrorist attack in Balochistan. The Chairman remarked that the working of the ISTAC is not up-to the mark and satisfactory and there is a need to revisit its policy in accordance with the ground realities.
- 22. The Chairman directed to form a Sub Committee comprising Senator Javed Abbasi as Convener and Senators Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh and Muhammad Azam Khan Musakheil as its members to revisit the formation and the criteria / procedure for assessment of security threat to vulnerable persons.
- 23. The Chairman Committee expressed displeasure on the absence of I. G Police of Punjab and DPO Narowal in the meeting. He asked Additional Inspector General, Police, Punjab to inform the Committee about the investigation conducted so far about the assassination attempt on Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, Minister for Interior during a corner meeting at Narowal. The Chairman expressed his serious concern on the incident. He remarked that the assassination attempt on the Minister for Interior has raised a question mark on the level of security being provided to such high profile personalities.
- 24. The committee overwhelmingly condemned the attack and termed it as a national issue. The Additional I.G.P. informed the Committee that the culprit has been arrested, Investigation is under process and the report will be presented before the committee within next 48 hours. He informed the Committee that five other suspects, supposed to be the facilitators, are also being investigated. The Chairman took a serious view of the leakage of the

video of investigation of the attack. He enquired how many officers and officials have been suspended for their negligence in performing their duty and leakage of the video. The Additional I.G.P. informed the committee that JIT has already working on every aspect of the lapse of the security.

Responding to questions of the Committee, the Chairman NADRA, informed that 25. NADRA would provide technical assistance to the ECP for installation of CCTV Cameras in the polling stations. He stated that NADRA has already prepared up-to-date voter lists all over the country and provided authentic record of CNICs.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- The Ministry of Interior and its attached/subordinate departments should i. provide fool proof security during General Elections, 2018.
- The Law enforcement agencies of the federal and provincial Governments ii. should ensure internal and external security of the polling stations.
- In the backdrop of serious incidents of kidnapping of the candidates and fragile iii. law & order situation during General Elections, 2013, the federal and provincial law enforcement agencies should take effective measures to ensure security of vulnerable persons in Election , 2018.
- All the Federal and provincial departments should coordinate with the Election iv. Commission of Pakistan for safe printing, transportation and custody of the ballot papers / boxes.
- CCTV Cameras should be installed for monitoring the electoral process in all ٧. polling stations to be established across the country if the rules provide to do so.
- The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting including PEMRA should ensure to vi. launch a campaign on PTV, private TV Channels and electronic / print media for creating awareness in the public to use their right of vote.
- The culprits involved in the assassination attempt on Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, Minister of vii. Interior and those responsible for the leakage of the video of the investigation should be penalized accordingly.
- The Committee recommended to constitute a Sub-Committee with the following viii. members and TORs:-

Convener i. Senator Javed Abbasi ii. Senator Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh Member Member

iii. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Musakheil

The TORs of the Committee are as under:-

- a) To look into the formation of the ISTAC;
- b) To look into the procedure / criteria for assessment of security threat and its level.

26. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

(Tanvir Ahmed)

D.G. / Secretary Committee

(Senator A. Rehman Malik) Chairman

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR HELD ON 19TH JULY, 2018 IN COMMITTEE ROOM NO. 2, PARLIAMENT HOUSE, ISLAMABAD

A meeting of the Standing Committee on Interior was held on 19th July, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in Committee Room No. 2, Parliament House, Islamabad, under the Chairmanship of honorable Senator A. Rehman Malik.

- The Agenda before the committee was as under: -
 - Briefing on the security and arrangements made for Voters, Candidates, Electoral Staff and the Vicinity/Locations of the Polling Stations on the Election's Day, 2018.
 - ii. Briefing by the NACTA on security measures taken for the Heads of the Political Parties and other Political Leadership in the light of resent Security Threats.
 - iii. Any other items with permission of the Chair.
- The following members attended the meeting: -

1	Senator A. Rehman Malik	Chairman
ii.	Senator Kalsoom Parveen	Member
	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi	Member
iii.	Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed	Member
iv.	Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Member
٧.		On Special Invitation
vi.	Senator Sadia Abbasi	On Special Invitation
vii.	Senator Bagum Najma Hameed	On Special Invitation
viii.	Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif	On Special Invitation
ix.	Senator Sitrar Ayaz	On special invitation

4. Major General Asif Ghafoor attended the meeting as representative of the General Headquarters (GHQ), Pakistan Army. The meeting commenced with the recitation from the Holy Quran. The Chairman Committee, in his opening remarks, strongly condemned the recent terrorist attacks in KPK and Balochistan in which Haroon Bilour and Siraj Raisani were martyred along with their workers. The Committee expressed grief over the loss of precious lives and heartfelt condolences with bereaved families and offered Fateha for the departed souls and all other Shuhdas of the Country.

5. Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior Senator A. Rehman Malik moved a Resolution which was unanimously adopted in 2nd session of the Committee. He read the Resolution as;

'RESOLUTION'

The Senate Standing Committee on Interior strongly condemns the recent deadliest terrorist attacks claimed by Daiesh wherein on July 10, 2018 Shaheed a Haroon Bilour and 21 others workers of ANP were martyred in a suicide during his campaign rally in Peshawar and in another terrorist attack on July 13, 2018 more than 200 workers, including Balochistan Awami Party (BAP) Leader Nawabzada Siraj Raisani, were martyred during his election campaign rally in Mastung area of Balochistan. The Committee also condemns attack on JUIF Leader Akram Khan Durrani in Bannu, in which 4 workers of his Party were martyred during his election campaign rally in Bannu.

This Committee pays rich tribute to the martyrs of the nation, prays for the departed souls and expresses heartfelt condolences with victim families.

The Committee appreciates the efforts being carried out by the Election Commission of Pakistan to conduct fair, free and transparent Elections on time under the supervision of Chief Election Commissioner Justice (R) Sardar Muhammad Raza and Members of the Election Commission of Pakistan and the professional input being rendered by Mr. Babar Yaqoob Fateh Muhammad, Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan, they may also endeavor to ensure parity between parties and political persons.

The Committee appreciates the assistance committed and is being given by the Pakistan Army under the command of COAS, General Qamar Javed Bajwa to the Election Commission of Pakistan and to the Provincial Governments to conduct secured and protected Polls by providing best possible security cover to the voters, candidates, electoral staff and polling vicinities. The Committee also appreciates the continued commitment of Pak-Army to safeguard the borders and to counter terrorism across the country. We (members) pray for the success of Pak-Army, Police and other law enforcers in keeping the peace and to protect the voters and the candidates.

The Committee appeals to every Pakistani voter to come out to vote on 25th July as part of their national duty to maximize the voters' turnout.

The Committee expresses serious concern on the recent wave of cross-border terrorist attacks claimed by Daesh and TTP who on behest of inimical forces are trying to sabotage the elections and to destabilize the country. The law enforcers should remain alert and vigilant to counter any such attack by the enemies of Pakistan.

This Committee directs all the Provincial Governments to follow the Elections SOPs issued by Election Commission of Pakistan as per the code of conduct under Elections Act 2017 election to ensure "VIOLENCE FREE POLL-DAY on 25th July".

- Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior Senator A. Rehman MaliK in his opening remarks stated "I as a Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior and on behalf of my Committee Members, would like to express my thanks to Mr. Sadiq Sanjrani, Chairman Senate of Pakistan for nominating me as a Coordinator / Focal Person to review and monitor the security arrangements pertaining to General Elections, 2018". The Chairman Committee stated that 25th July, 2018 is very important day in our national history when the nation is going to choose their representatives for the next five years in the national and provincial assemblies of the country. He appealed the nation on behalf of the Senate of Pakistan and Committee and all the participants to please come out of homes and cast vote on July 25th as a prime national responsibility. The Chairman Committee stated that nation has suffered for years at the hands off anti-Pakistan forces, terrorists and now Daesh. He stated that terrorism is an international phenomena which emerged from Iraq supported by the West and now by India and Afghanistan. Therefore the meeting was aimed at to ensure the Elections day "Violence Free". He stated that today's meeting may be marked as "MEETING FOR VIOLENCE FREE POLL-DAY".
- Bajwa for sending Pakistan Army representative to apprise the Committee on security arrangements on polling day by Pakistan Army, Chairman Committee Senator A. Rehman Malik asked the Major General Asif Ghafoor for the briefing. GHQ representative Maj. Gen Asif Ghafoor rejected the notion that the Pak Army has any direct role in the Elections. He stated that the Pakistan Army personnel are only following the Election Commission of Pakistan's Code of Conduct to provide foolproof security during the elections and on polling day. He stated that Pak-Army extends full support to Election Commission of Pakistan to make the Election Violence Free. He categorically clarified that there were some rumours that army personnel had been issued 'different' orders this is completely baseless." Major General Asif Ghafoor also informed with clarity that we (Pakistan Army troops) do not have any link with the

elections; we are only working on the election commission's directives to improve the law and order situation and to secure the polling station. We do not have any direct or indirect role in poll processes. He informed that army to be deployed at polling stations during elections will follow the Code of Conduct of the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) in letter and spirit. Major General Ghafoor added that the armed forces had always lent support to civil institutions adding that the security situation is being improved in the entire country to hold elections. It was informed to the Committee that "Three hundred and seventy one thousand" Army soldiers will be deployed at the countrywide polling stations and the army is also performing its duty for safe transportation of ballots papers and boxes. "The security of political candidates is the responsibility of the Government of Pakistan and the ECP' he added. He said that we are assisting the election commission for security during polling and unfortunately, until the police's abilities improve, we will also have to do police duty and we move the troops as and when Government requisitions our services. Responding to a question by Senator A. Rehman Malik about coordination with Afghani government, the Army Representative said that Pakistan has been assured of reciprocal support from the Afghan side on the security front and has assured us about the closure of border during elections. "When the elections took place in Afghanistan, we took extraordinary measures on this side of the border. This time, the Afghan President phoned Pakistan Prime Minister and the Army Chief to assure us of their cooperation. Senator Kalsoom Parveen asked as to whether the armed forces have been imparted any training to perform their duty during the Elections. GHQ representative informed the Committee that all Army Personnel have been provided special training as per Code of Conduct issued by Election Commission of Pakistan. When asked by PML-N Senator Kulsoom Parveen to disclose the number of troops being deployed in Balochistan. The GHQ representative said: "Leave the planning side to us". The Committee overwhelmingly expressed satisfaction on the briefing given by the GHQ representative Maj. General Asif Ghafoor regarding the role of Pak Army during General Elections, 2018. The Chairman Committee Senator A. Rehman Malik also expressed satisfaction and assured that the Parliament is to provide its fullest support in holding General Elections, 2018 in free, fair and transparent manner.

The Chairman asked the Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan Mr. 8. Baber Yaqoob Fateh Muhammad to inform the Committee about the measures taken or being taken to ensure foolproof security for voters, candidates, electoral staff and the locations of polling stations on Elections day, 2018. The Chairman remarked that foolproof security measures be taken for safe printing, transportation of ballot papers / boxes. The Secretary Election Commission informed the Committee that they had already announced 25th July, 2018 for General Elections, 2018. He stated that the primary role of the Election Commission is to hold general elections in a free, fair and transparent manner. The Secretary ECP emphasized that the Election Commission of Pakistan is the sole authority to conduct elections and ECP is performing its duties under the Elections 'Code of Conduct' and 'Election Act, 2017'. He stated that the Election Commission of Pakistan had held extensive meetings with all Provincial Governments to ensure internal and external security of the polling stations. He informed that 85,000 polling stations have been setup all over the country for which about 350,000 policemen will be deputed for security on the Elections Day. Apart from this, Army, Rangers or F.C. can also be called on for sensitive polling stations. The Secretary ECP informed the Committee that CCTV Cameras will be installed in 20,000 sensitive polling stations in the country. The Chairman Committee remarked that all 85,000 polling stations should have been facilitated with CCTV cameras. The Secretary ECP also informed the Committee that the Election Material has been dispatched all over the country. Senator Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh pointed out that the social media is being used for spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the institutions, political parties and individuals but no action is being taken against such users by the Election Commission of Pakistan, FIA, PEMRA and PTA. The Chairman remarked that negative use of social media is a very serious matter, for which a separate meeting will be held on 20th July, 2018 and this matter would be discussed in the detail. Secretary, ECP said that actions have already been taken on complaints of hate speeches and use of abusive language by some politicians. Senator A. Rehman Malik advised the ECP to take stern actions against those who violate the ECP code of conduct and use abusive language/remarks against any political opponents. ECP secretary ensured that Elections will held free, fair, transparent and peaceful with the help of candidates, people of Pakistan and all institutes of the state.

- 9. Senator Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh pointed out that there are some rumours on social media that a "Symbol of Grave" has also been allotted to a candidate contesting Elections, 2018. The Secretary, ECP categorically rejected the fake news spread on social media regarding allotment of symbol of Grave to any candidate. He stated that full authority has been delegated by ECP to the ROs to allot Symbols to the Political Parties / Independent candidates. The Secretary, ECP requested that CCTV cameras may be made operational across the country for vigilances and surveillances. Chairman Senate Standing Committee Senator A. Rehman Malik directed the Interior Ministry to direct all the provincial home departments as well as IGPs to take cognizance of these serious concerns of ECP. Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan strongly countered the notion that ECP is playing a biased role, saying such comments are hurtful as ECP is intended to conduct free, fair and transparent elections under Article 218 of the Constitution of Pakistan.
- 10. Senator Sadia Abbasi remarked that Election Commission of Pakistan is acting biased and not playing its due role. Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan informed that Committee that such perceptions are totally baseless and unfounded. Senator A. Rehman Mallk stated that this Committee highly appreciates the role of ECP and stands by it and extends full support of the Parliament to conduct free, fair and transparent elections.

- Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi stated that the arrest of political 11. workers on the pretext of law and order situation is a pre-poll rigging. A number of political workers had been arrested and cases have been registered against them when they were participating in the rally on 13th July, 2018 to express their solidarity with PML-N leadership. He stated that the credibility of a fair, free and transparent General Elections is at stake because specific party leaders are being targeted. Even cases have been registered against Senator Raja Zafar-ul-Haqand Former Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi. The Chairman directed that the cases against Senator Zafar-ul-Haq and Former Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi should be withdrawn and all political workers arrested on 13th July, 2018 should be released.
- Senator Sitara Ayaz remarked that the implementation of the Code of 12. Conduct should be ensured without any discrimination and she expressed her concern on the recent wave of terrorism.
- Senator Muhammad Ali Saif sought clarification from the Election 13. Commission of Pakistan as to why a perception is being created against MQM that it is one of those elements which are creating law and order situation in Karachi. The Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan clarified that reference of factional politics in Karachi should not be taken as negativity. The Chairman Remarked that MQM is a registered political party and it should be deleted from the Factional Politics list 'if any".
- National Coordinator NACTA Dr. Suleman Khan briefed the committee 14. about possible security threats to various political parties and candidates during their election campaigns and on polling-day. He informed that there were 65 threat alerts for various politicians across the country and most of the threats alerts are from across the border. He stated that the new perception after the death of TTP chief Mullah Fazalullah that TTP has gone weaken is proving wrong especially when the elections are commencing and the environment is highly charged and motivated. The National Coordinator NACTA informed the Committee that the mandate of the NACTA is to coordinate with all Government Departments in sharing information on threat alerts. He

stated that during the Elections the security situation becomes more sensitive as they have to coordinate from grass root level. He stated that the country was facing challenges of extremism, changed environment and Electioneering process in the country. The Chairman remarked that Committees be formed on district level to coordinate with NACTA and he further directed that the names of those under threat may be communicated to the respective head of the political party for their information. The Chairman SSC on Interior Senator A. Rehman Malik expressed that the briefings presented by the GHQ Representative, Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan, Ministry of Interior and Ministry of Defence have been highly satisfactory. He directed the Ministry of Interior to present the report on registration of cases against Senator Raja Zafar-ul-Haq and Former Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi and all political workers should be released within 03 days. The Chairman apprised the participants of the security threat posed by terrorist organizations and warned that the Daesh (ISIS) has reached this region and the RSS is supporting them. He further elucidated that the RSS, which was committing terrorist attacks in the name of Pakistan, has been declared as a terrorist organization by United States of America. It was indeed a moment of achievement for the government and the people of Pakistan. The Chairman directed the Ministry of Interior to request on behalf of our state, wherein the ruthless activities of RSS should be exposed, making an official record of their crimes and a case of war criminal against PM Modi be moved in the International court. Senator A. Rehman Malik advised NACTA to formulate new SOPs for peaceful elections accordingly and as advised by this committee in its earlier meetings. He expressed that LeJ and TTP are emerging in a new shape of Daish about which he had disclosed back in 2014 that Daish exists in Pakistan but no actions was taken then. He said till we do not smash the heads of TTP and LeJ, a peaceful Pakistan will remain just a dream. He asked the government to immediately ask the government of Afghanistan to hand over us the chief of terrorists i.e. Khalid Khurasani Chief of Daish of Pakistan, TTP's new chief Mufti Noor Wali and escaped suicide bomber Ikramullah who is most wanted in Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto's martyrdom case as they all are hiding in Afghanistan. Senator A. Rehman Malik said that Afghanistan soil is being used against Pakistan and there is nexus of RAW and NDS under the leadership of Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He said that India is leaving no stone unturned to destabilise Pakistan and according to reports it will use inimical force to sabotage electoral process through terrorism. Senator A. Rehman Malik further said that India is trying to create wedge between the provinces by using terrorism as tool in KPK and Balochistan however as a nation we stand together on page. "Today meeting is the best demonstration of Civil-Military ideal relationship when it comes to the national security of Pakistan" said Senator A. Rehman Malik.

Chairman Committee inquired the Chairman PEMRA as what measures the 15. PEMRA has taken so far to block the derogatory advertisements containing foul and humiliating language against opponents political parties. Chairman PEMRA said that actions in this regard have been taken and ads with derogatory remarks and foul language have been blocked. Senator A. Rehman Malik directed the Chairman PEMRA to direct all the TV Chairman Senate Standing Committee Senator A. Rehman Malik inquired the Chairman PEMRA as what measures the PEMRA has taken so far to block the derogatory advertisements containing foul and humiliating language against opponents political parties. Chairman PEMRA said that actions in this regard have been taken and ads with derogatory remarks and foul language have been blocked. Senator A. Rehman Malik directed the Chairman PEMRA to direct all the TV channels to dedicate specific time and space for public awareness message on Election that public can be motivated and mobilized to cast the vote. Inspector General Police and Home Secretary Balochistan briefed the committee about the deadliest terror attack in Mastung in which more than 200 people were martyred. They informed the committee that suicide bomber was recognized as Hafiz Nawaz hailing from Abbotabad and further investigation is underway. They informed that the local administration had no prior information about holding of corner meeting by the candidate. Senator A. Rehman Malik said that he and the committee members salutes the people of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan for their countless sacrifices against war on terror. He said "My heart goes out to the victim families of terrorism and I strongly recommend that compensation package should be fixed equal to the victims of all provinces".

- 16. The Additional IGP KPK briefed the committee about the blast in Peshawar in which ANP leader Haroon Bilourand 21 workers of his party were martyred. He told the committee that the JIT was formed soon after the incident and facilitator is arrested from Hangu and further investigation is under way. He said that local administration and police were not informed prior to the corner meeting of ANP. "The incident would have been averted if the administration had been informed well before the meeting," he added.
- 17. Inspector General of Police Mohsin Hassan Butt briefed the committee about the deadliest terror attack in Mastung in which Shaheed Siraj Raisani along with his more than 200 workers were martyred. He informed the committee that suicide bomber was recognized as Hafiz Nawaz hailing from Abbottabad and further investigation is underway. "The suicide bomber was part of Daesh and had been affiliated with the Lashkar-e-Jhangvi (LeJ) as well and facilitators of the attack have also been detected," The IG Balochistan informed.
- 18. IG Police Islamabad Mr. Jan Muhammad briefed the meeting that adequate measures have been taken to make the polling day peaceful across the ICT. He state that as Imran Khan is contesting election from NA-53 and threat alert has been issued for him therefore adequate security per his satisfaction is provided to him by Islamabad Police.
- 19. At the end of the meeting, Secretary Interior informed the committee that regular meetings are being held with all stakeholders through video conferences about the security situation across the country. He stated that Ministry of Interior is in close coordination with ECP and all provincial governments and is ensuring peaceful conduction of elections. He said they are trying their best to implement the Code of

Conduct and SOPs framed by the ECP. Senator A. Rehman Malik said that for better security there is a dire need to work 24 hourly bases and to remain in direct contact with candidates through local administration. While concluding the meeting Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior Senator A. Rehman Malik appealed the people of Pakistan to come out and vote on July 25th for the future of the country considering it a prime national duty and responsibly. He stated that the nation is behind Pakistan Army and all other LEAs in war against terrorism.

20. While concluding the meeting Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior Senator A. Rehman Malik once again thanked the Member of the Committee, Special Invitees and all the participants, Senate Staff and Media Representatives. The Chairman Committee appealed the people of Pakistan to come out and vote on July 25th for the future of the country considering it a prime national duty and responsibly. The Chairman Committee said that the nation is behind Pakistan Army and all other LEAs in war against terrorism. The Chairman and all Committee Members applauded Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan, Secretary Defence, Secretary Interior, GHQ, Chairman PEMRA, National Coordinator NACTA, Provincial Home Secretaries, all I.G.Ps and other officials for their briefings to the Committee up-to the mark and satisfaction.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- i. All 85,000 Polling stations should have been facilitated with CCTV cameras.
- ii. The Ministry of Interior to direct all the Provincial Governments to arrange to install maximum number of CCTV Cameras operational as desired by the Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan.
- iii. Cases against Senator Zafar-ul-Haq and Former Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi, Senator Javed Abbasi and Senator Ch. Tanveer should be withdrawn and all political workers arrested on 13th July, 2018 should be released.
- iv. Committees should be formed on district level to coordinate with NACTA and coordination level should be enhanced between NACTA, ECP, Provincial Governments and Heads of Political Parties.
- v. NACTA to share the threat alerts list (65 alerts) with Heads of all the Political Parties and individuals under threats and Senate Standing Committee on Interior be informed so that the same could be presented in the August House.

- vi. The Government of Pakistan immediately take the issue of handovering of TTP new Chief Mufti Noor Wali Mehsood, Khalid Khurasani Head of Daiesh Pakistan Chapter and Ikram Ullah who are hiding in Afghanistan and operating against Pakistan.
- vii. The Ministry of Interior to request on behalf of our state, wherein the ruthless activities of RSS should be exposed, making an official record of their crimes and a case of war criminal against Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi may be filed in the International Court of Justice.
- viii. Election Commission should take cognizance of the abusive language being used by some Political Leaders against their opponents and action under Code of Conduct of ECP should be taken against those who use abusive language.
 - ix. PEMRA to direct all the Private TV Channels to dedicate atleast 3 minutes daily for Public Awareness to motivate the Voters to come out of the Houses on 25th July and Vote for the future of Pakistan.
 - x. FIA and PTA to form a Joint Cell for immediate redressal of complaints regarding abusive material of social media and to enhance the capacity of Cyber Crime Cell.
- xi. Stringent action should be taken against negative use of social media.

xii. MQM is a registered political party and it should be deleted from the Factional Politics list 'if any".

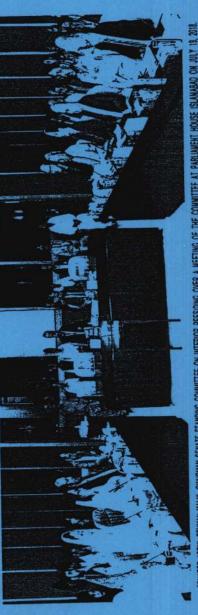
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Chairman

Standing Committee on Interior

(Tanvir Ahmed)

D.G. / Secretary Committee



SENATOR ABOUL REHMAN MALIK, CHAIRMAN SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR PRESIDING OVER A MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE AT PARLIAMENT HOUSE ISLAMARAD ON JULY 19, 2018.

SENATE SECRETARIAT

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR HELD ON 20th JULY, 2018 IN COMMITTEE ROOM NO. 1, PARLIAMENT HOUSE, ISLAMABAD

A meeting of the Standing Committee on Interior was held on 20th July, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. in Committee Room No.1, Parliament House, Islamabad under the Chairmanship of honorable Senator A. Rehman Malik.

- The Agenda before the committee was as under:
 - i. Briefing by the FIA on the action to be taken on spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties, Individuals and the complaints received under Cyber Crimes Act:-

(This point was raised by Honourable Senator Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh that some elements are going scot-free and there is no proper deterrence against those who are involved in the negative/ immoral use of the Social Media)

ii. Reconsideration of Suo Moto Notice taken by Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior regarding death of three girls in Cholistan Desert of Fort Abbas.

(As the Chairman Committee rightly apprehended that the report did not mention the physical assault and the exact cause of death of the girls. IG, DIG Police, DPO and Investigation Officer failed to properly investigate the unfortunate incident. All officers concerned should come in person to explain the reasons for their non professional and irresponsible role towards their official obligations)

- iii. Briefing by the DG,FIA and DG, CAA regarding a complaint against illegal operations of M/S Hadid International Ltd at Karachi Airport.
- 3. The following members attended the meeting: -

i.	Senator A. Rehman Malik	Chairman
ii.	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi	Member
iii.	Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed	Member
iv.	Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Member
10.0	Senator Kauda Babur	Member

4. The list of participants of the meeting is attached as Annexure-A.



- The meeting commenced with the recitation from the Holy Quran. The Chairman Committee, in his opening remarks, reiterated his commitment to bring those culprits to task who are the actual responsible for death of three girls in Cholistan Desert of Fort Abbas on 13th June, 2018.
- 2. The Committee discussed the Suo-Moto Notice taken by the Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior regarding death of three girls in Cholistan Desert of Fort Abbas. The Committee expressed displeasure on the absence of the IG,Police in the meeting. The Chairman Committee directed that the IG Police, Punjab should attend the next meeting of the Committee and present the report on the incident in person.
- 3. Dr. Azka, Medical Officer, Basic Health Unit of Fort Abbas, informed the Committee on the preliminary postmortem report of the said girls which proved that the girls might have been sexually assaulted before or during death. The forensic expert also informed the Committee that the samples of the bodies were not preserved properly rather tempered due to which the forensic reports could not be prepared with requisite accuracy. The Chairman observed that a cover-up has been given to the truth as there was a clear difference of opinion amongst the statements given by the Investigation Officer , Medical Officer and the Forensic Expert. The Chairman Committee directed that the I.G. Police, Punjab should ensure a threadbare investigation of the case so that all functionaries responsible for professional negligence are punished. The Chairman Committee directed that the doctor who has conducted the postmortem of the said three girls and her family should be given security here in Islamabad as well as on her duty station.
- 4. The Chairman Committee directed to seek legal opinion of the Ministry of Law & Justice as to whether the matter of the death of three girls in Cholistan Desert may be proceeded through a judicial inquiry or recommended a JIT for proper investigation on important points like; (i) the registration of the case of the disappearance of the girls. (ii) the time of the departure of the girls from their house (iii) whether the girls went to



their uncle's house or abducted.(iv) the negligence showed or purposefully sent defective samples to the Forensic Laboratory Lahore.(v) why the Forensic Laboratory could not write back and made it public that the samples drawn and sent to the laboratory were defective or tempered?

- 5. The Chairman Committee also nominated Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed as Coordinator to suggest legal measures to be taken to ensure proper investigation of the death of three girls in Cholistan Desert of Fort Abbas.
- 6. Director Cyber Crimes Cell of FIA informed the Committee that they have already taken action against those who are involved in spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties, Individuals and the complaints received under Cyber Crimes Act,2016. The Director Cyber Crime of FIA told the committee that actions have also been taken against those who were propagating fake news, immoral material, rumors and other insulting contents on the social media.
- 7. He informed the Committee that a project was finalized with an amount of \$20 million to bring automatic monitoring system to block the immoral and slanderous contents on the social media. The Committee directed to forward the summary in this regard to the cabinet and also directed to take funds from the telecom services providers to make the monitoring system more effective.
- 8. The Senate Committee was also informed that the recently passed Cyber Crimes Act was finalized and now only approval will be taken from the competent authority. It was also informed that now there will be 15 monitoring centers as earlier there were monitoring centers in each province.
- Senator Rana Maqbool suggested that the Pemra should telecast the public messages on the electronic media with regard to cyber crimes while the FIA should take stern action against those who were involved in the Cyber crimes.
- 10. The Chairman Committee asserted that the government of Pakistan must hold talks with international social media forces so that measures can be taken against the culprits who were involved in the negative and immoral use of the social media.
- 11. Senator Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh was of the view that it was imperative that stringent measures be taken in a few days before elections so that elements that seek to damage candidates credibility could be taken to task.

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- 12. Seconding the opinion of Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh, Chairman Committee stressed the need for FIA and PTA to get together and devise a strategy to immediately redress the complaints. He also asserted that to deal with cybercrime issues effectively it was crucial that the capacity of the Cybercrime Cell be enhanced.
- 13. Responding to a query from the Committee the Director Cyber Crimes Cell informed that complaints from 10 parliamentarians have been received that include Shela Raza, Senator Talha Mehmood, Peer Sadaruddin Shah, Ayesha Gulalai and others. The Chairman directed to inform the Committee on the latest status of the said complaints in the next meeting.
- 14. The Chairman Committee directed the PTA to include the word "derogatory" as feature of their filtering process. The Committee has further directed the PTA that they should act automatically against spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties and Individuals without waiting for the complaint to be register against it as it is their national duty.
- 15. The Chairman Committee deferred the Agenda item No.ii as the complainant could not come to witness the proceeding of the Committee on his complaint.

RECOMMENDATIONS:-

- The Chairman Committee directed that the IG Police, Punjab should attend the next meeting of the Committee and present the report on the incident in person.
- The Chairman Committee directed that the I.G. Police, Punjab should ensure a threadbare investigation of the case so that all functionaries responsible for professional negligence are punished.
- The Committee directed that the doctor who has conducted the
 postmortem of the said three girls and her family should be given
 security here in Islamabad as well as on her duty station.
- 4. The Chairman Committee directed to seek legal opinion of the Ministry of Law & Justice as to whether the matter of the death of three girls in Cholistan Desert may be proceeded through a judicial inquiry or recommended a JIT for proper investigation.



- 5. The Chairman Committee nominated Senator Rnana Maqbool Ahmed as Coordinator to suggest legal measures to be taken to ensure proper investigation of the death of three girls in Cholistan Desert of Fort Abbas.
- The Committee directed to forward a summary to the Cabinet for establishment
 of Automatic Monitoring System and also directed to take funds from the
 telecom services providers.
- 7. Senator Rana Maqbool suggested that the Penra should telecast the public messages on the electronic media with regard to cyber crimes while the FIA should take stern action against those who were involved in the Cyber crimes.
- 8. The Chairman Committee asserted that the government of Pakistan must hold talks with international social media forces so that measures can be taken against the culprits who were involved in the negative and immoral use of the social media.
- 9. Immediate and stringent measures be taken in a few days before elections so that elements that seek to damage candidates credibility could be taken to task.
- 10. The Committee stressed the need for FIA and PTA to get together and devise a strategy to immediately redress the complaints.
- 11. The Committee directed that the capacity of the Cyber Crimes Cell be enhanced.
- 12. The Chairman Committee directed the PTA to include the word "derogatory" as feature of their filtering process.
- 13. The Committee has further directed the PTA that they should act automatically against spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties and Individuals including blasphemous material without waiting for the complaint to be register against it as it is their national duty.

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The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

(Tanvir Ahmed)
D.G. / Secretary Committee

(Senator A. Rehman Malik)
Chairman
Standing Committee on Interior



SENATOR ABDUL REHMAN MALIK, CHAIRMAN SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR PRESIDING OVER A MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE AT PARLIAMENT HOUSE ISLAMABAD ON JULY 20, 2018.

SENATE SECRETARIAT

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR HELD ON 24th JULY, 2018 IN COMMITTEE ROOM NO. 1, PARLIAMENT HOUSE, ISLAMABAD

A meeting of the Standing Committee on Interior was held on 24th July, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in Committee Room No.1, Parliament House, Islamabad under the Chairmanship of honorable Senator A. Rehman Malik.

- 2. The Agenda before the committee was as under:
 - i. Briefing by the FIA on the action to be taken on spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties, Individuals and the complaints received under Cyber Crimes Act:-

(This point was raised by Honourable Senator Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh in the meeting of the Committee held on 19th July, 2018 that some elements are going scot-free and there is no proper deterrence against those who are involved in the negative/immoral use of the Social Media)

ii. Reconsideration of Suo Moto Notice taken by Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior regarding death of three girls in Cholistan Desert of Fort Abbas.

(As the Chairman Committee rightly apprehended that the report did not mention the physical assault and the exact cause of death of the girls. IG, DIG Police, DPO and Investigation Officer failed to properly investigate the unfortunate incident. All officers concerned should come in person to explain the reasons for their non-professional and irresponsible role towards their official obligations)

- iii. Any other items with permission of the Chair.
- 3. The following members attended the meeting: -

i.	Senator A. Rehman Malik	Chairman
ii.	Senator Kalsoom Perveen	Member
iii.	Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood	Member
iv.	Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Member

- 4. The list of participants of the meeting is attached as Annexure-A.
- 5. The meeting commenced with the recitation from the Holy Quran. The Chairman Committee, in his introductory remarks, strongly condemned the suicide attack in D.I.Khan in which PTI's candidate Ikramullah Khan Gandapur along with his driver embraced martyrdom and the killing of Yasir Kalhoro, the PPP worker when a rally at Pir Jo Goth town of Khairpur was

attacked on Sunday by some miscreants. The Committee expressed heartfelt condolences with bereaved families and offered Fatiha for martyrs of the recent terrorist attacks during election campaign. Chairman Committee observed that it was a collective wish of every Pakistani that the election process and the environment across the country during this time stays peaceful but unfortunately anti-state agents were active again and a big number of precious lives were lost. The Chairman Committee asserted that the recent wave of terrorism during election campaign showed that the backbone of terrorism was yet to be broken and they are reassembling to resume their heinous activities of killing the innocent people of Pakistan. He remarked that terrorists are playing in the hands of Pakistan's enemies who want to destabilize Pakistan but they will not succeed in their nefarious designs. The Chairman directed the Ministry of Interior to issue directives to the Government of Sind for taking measures to arrest the culprits responsible for the killing of PPP's worker Yasir Kalhoro and submit a detailed report on the incident to the committee. He prayed may the Election's Day and each day be peaceful in Pakistan and appealed the people of Pakistan to come out of their homes tomorrow and vote for their better future.

- 6. Senator Kalsoom Parveen invited attention of the Committee towards the painful incident of Mastung Blast in which more than 200 innocent people were martyred. She lamented the role of the media for the coverage of the incident. The incident was put on total blackout by all TV Channels and they remained busy in the coverage of the arrival of former Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif at Lahore Airport. She stated that Mastung incident was the worst kind of terrorist incident after APS, Peshawar. She stated that no incident could be more important than the tragedy of Mastung. The Chairman directed the Chairman PEMRA to take notice of the negligence and seek explanation from all private media channels as to why this national tragedy was absolutely blackout by the media.
- 7. Director FIA Cyber Crimes Cell briefed the Committee on the actions to be taken against spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties, Individuals and the complaint received under the Cyber Crimes Act. He stated that two specific issues were pointed out in the previous meetings of the Committee. Firstly, Election symbol of a Grave allotted to some candidate and socially, showing picture of an animal with a flag of some political party thereon. The Director FIA Cyber Crimes Cell informed the Committee that the

name of the person who uploaded the picture of the grave as symbol of a candidate on twitter has been identified as Zia-Ur-Rehman and FIA has written a letter to Twitter for provision of details of the IP of the said person so that FIA could arrest the culprit. He also apprised the committee that FIA has also written to Express Tribune to fix the responsibility for publishing picture of an animal with the flag to humiliate a political leader but so far FIA has received no reply.

- 8. The Chairman Committee asserted that the case against such persons should have been registered earlier, why it is so late? The Chairman further enquired as to whether the FIA is able to trace out such persons through their IP or service providers? The Director informed that they had not the technology through which they could identify the culprits on their own. In fact, the IP can be identified by the twitter enabling the FIA to take further action as per law. The Chairman directed the FIA to request the court and take directions for Twitter to disclose the identity of such culprits within 15 days.
- 9. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh enquired as to whether the Government of Pakistan has signed any agreement or treaty with Facebook, Twitter, Viber etc. to get benefit from their laws in Pakistan as we have agreements with the government of the UAE with reference to the Social Media. The Director FIA informed the Committee that they had not signed any such agreement with Facebook, Twitter, Viber etc. The Chairman Committee directed the FIA to prepare a detailed report within two weeks and submit the same in committee.
- 10. The Chairman directed the PTA to coordinate with the FIA for curbing disinformation and derogatory remarks on social media and a focal person, rank of Assistant Director at least, should be nominated by the FIA Cyber Crimes Wing and a focal person from PTA for better coordination against cyber-crimes. He directed that an advertisement should be telecasted on all TV channels that any offence under Cyber Crimes Act is punishable so avoid spreading hate and abusive materials on social media.
- 11. The Chairman Committee appealed the citizens of Pakistan that they should report any disinformation, derogatory remarks, humiliation and blasphemous materials on social media to PTA immediately.

- The Committee directed the Ambassador of Pakistan to UAE to collect the information about the mechanism adopted by the UAE for social media regulation and share the said information with PTA and FIA for effective social media regulation. The Chairman also directed that PTA should move all the cases in which social media operators are not cooperating with them. The Committee directed FIA and PTA to hold a joint meeting to discuss and solve the legal matters for better cooperation.
- 13. Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood raised the point against a newspaper involved in blackmailing and spreading false news against him. He stated that the culprit has a fake degree from Allama Iqbal Open University yet running a newspaper adding that the university has asked FIA to investigate the matter but FIA is hesitant in taking any action against him and his newspaper. The Chairman Committee expressed grave concern over the propaganda against Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood and directed the FIA to complete the inquiry as soon as possible and persons involved must be traced out and action be initiated against them as per law. Chairman Committee overwhelmingly appreciated and recognized the services rendered by Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood for the welfare of the humanity.
- 14. Chairman Committee asserted that social media is the need of the era and none of them was not in favor of imposing unnecessary restrictions on its use but the use has to be regulated in such a manner that it doesn't hurt others feelings through the misuse of the Social Media. He stressed that those who are spreading propaganda against the state and are using the platform to harm their opponents should be taken to task.
- 15. While discussing the death of three girls in Cholistan Desert of Fort Abbas, the Chairman Committee directed the Ministry of Law and Justice to provide legal assistance as to whether the course of exhumation of the dead bodies or the formation of JIT is to be made to solve the mystery of the case.

RECOMMENDATIONS:-

 The Chairman directed the Ministry of Interior to issue directives to the Government of Sind for taking measures to arrest the culprits responsible for the killing of PPP's worker Yasir Kalhoro and submit a detailed report on the incident to the committee.

- The Chairman directed the Chairman PEMRA to take notice of the negligence and seek explanation from all private media channels as to why the Mastung tragedy was absolutely blackout by the media.
- The Chairman Committee directed the FIA to prepare a detailed report on the action taken against the persons who were identified as culprits for negative and immoral use of the social media and submit the report in the committee within two weeks.
- 4. The Committee directed the FIA to request the court and take directions for Twitter to disclose the identity of such culprits within 15 days.
- The Committee directed the PTA to coordinate with the FIA for curbing disinformation and derogatory remarks on social media and a focal person, rank of Assistant Director at least, should be nominated by the FIA Cyber Crimes Wing and a focal person from PTA for better coordination against Cyber-Crimes.
- The Committee directed the PEMRA, PTA and FIA that an advertisement should be telecasted on all TV channels that any offence under Cyber Crimes Act is punishable so avoid spreading hate and abusive materials on social media.
- The Committee directed that the Ambassador of Pakistan to UAE should collect the information about the mechanism adopted by the UAE for social media regulation and share the said information with PTA and FIA for effective social media regulation in Pakistan.
- 8. The Chairman directed that PTA should move all the cases in which social media operators are not cooperating with them.
- 9. The Committee directed the FIA and PTA to hold a joint meeting to discuss and solve the legal matters for better cooperation on the issue of the Social Media.
- 10. The Committee directed the FIA to complete the inquiry against the person having a fake degree and running a newspaper and involved in blackmailing Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood and submit a report in the next meeting of the Committee.
- 11. The Committee stressed that those who are spreading propaganda against the state and are using Social Media to harm their opponents should be taken to task.
- 12. The Chairman Committee directed the Ministry of Law and Justice to provide legal assistance as to whether the course of exhumation of the dead bodies or the formation of JIT is to be made to solve the mystery of the case.

13. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

(Senator A. Rehman Malik)

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Chairman

Standing Committee on Interior

(Tanvir Ahmed)

D.G. / Secretary Committee



SENATOR ABDUL REHMAN MALIK, CHAIRMAN SENATE S AT PARLIAMENT HOUSE ISLAMABAD ON JULY 24, 2018.

SENATE SECRETARIAT

SUBJECT:

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR, HELD ON 08th AUGUST, 2018 IN PIPS (SEMINAR-2), ATTATURK AVENUE, NEAR KASHMIR HOUSE, SECTOR F-5/2, ISLAMABAD.

A meeting of the Standing Committee on Interior was held on 08th August, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. in PIPS (Seminar-2), Islamabad, under the Chairmanship of Senator A. Rehman Malik.

- 2. The Agenda before the committee was as under:-
 - Discussion on the complaints and reservations expressed by the Political Parties, Media and General Public on the conduct of General Elections, 2018.
 - ii. Reconsideration of Suo-Moto Notice taken by Chairman Standing Committee on Interior on death of three girls in Cholistan Desert of Fort Abbas, District Bahawal Nagar, namely; Suraiyya Bibi (Age 09 years), Tahira Bibi (Age 08 years) and Allah Mafi (Age 06 years).
 - (As the Chairman Committee rightly apprehended that the report did not mention the physical assault and the exact cause of death of the girls. I.G, D.I.G. Police, DPO and Investigation Officer failed to properly investigate the unfortunate incident).
 - iii. Consideration of Suo Moto Notice taken by Chairman Standing Committee on Interior on the matter of burning of Girls Schools in Chilas, Giligit Baltistan.
 - iv. Further briefing on Mustang attack on 13th July, 2018 and the incident of bomb blast in Quetta on the Elections Day i.e., 25th July, 2018.
 - v. Briefing by the FIA on the cases of corruption being investigated against the officers / officials of CDA.
 - vi. Briefing by the D.G, FIA and D.G, CAA on a complaint against illegal operations of M/S Hadid International Ltd. at Karachi Airport.
 - vii. Briefing by the Chairman CDA on the scarcity of drinking water in Sector I-10, Islamabad with reference to the Petition No. 2300, submitted by a resident of the said sector.
 - viii. Any other item with permission of the Chair.
- The following members attended the meeting: -

1.	Senator Abdul Rehman Malik	Chairman
	Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad	Member
	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi	Member
	Senator Kauda Babur	Member
	Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan	Member
	Senator Muhammad Asad Ali Khan Junejo	Member
	Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati	Member
	Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel	Member
	Mrs. Kashmala Tariq , Federal Ombudsperson	Observer

For Harassment of Women at Workplace

10. Minister for Interior

Ex-Officio Member

The list of participants of the meeting is attached as Annexure-A.

- 5. The meeting commenced with the recitation from the Holy Quran. The Chairman Committee, in his opening remarks, strongly condemned the terrorist attack in Quetta on the Elections Day i.e. 25th July, 2018. On the request of the Chairman, Fateha was offered for all those who lost their lives in such catastrophic incidents all over the country. The Chairman lauded the exemplary services rendered by Hukam Khan, a dedicated officer of Bomb Disposal Unit in Peshawar who sacrificed his life while defusing a bomb and saved hundreds of citizens. The Chairman stated that the sacrifices of such courageous and committed officers should be remembered and honored. The Chairman directed that the Bomb Disposal Squad (BDS) Peshawar should send his particulars to the Ministry of Interior for his nomination for Sitara-i-Shujaat Award by the government and his family should be provided reasonable compensation.
- Nagar, namely; Suraiyya Bibi (Age 09 years), Tahira Bibi (Age 08 years) and Allah Mafi (Age 06 years) was taken up. The Chairman Committee informed the members regarding the extensive findings on the said case done by the Committee so far. During the briefing, the Chairman deplored the negligence of Punjab Forensic Science Agency on their failure to justify the cause of death of the deceased girls, mishandling or tempering of evidences and non-intimation to the Senate Committee by the Head of Forensic department. He appreciated the efforts of medical officer who revealed the real cause of death as *sexual assault*. The Committee recommended that Dr. Azka, Medical Officer should be awarded with Pride Of Performance Award in appreciation of her professional commitment, dedication and honesty which has set an example of righteousness to follow for the generations to come. The Chairman vowed to deal with the said case as vigorously as the Zainab's case was dispensed with. He called the gruesome incident as a continuous chain of conspiracy.
- 7. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati stated that it was his promise with the nation that he will take the case to its logical conclusion adding that he was feeling ashamed of Punjab police for abetting the culprits of such heinous crime. The Committee expressed displeasure and disappointment on the poor performance of the Punjab law enforcement authorities in respect of those deceased girls who reportedly, were sexually assaulted. The Chairman directed that the I.G.Police, Punjab should attend the next meeting of the Committee otherwise a strict action will be taken against him. The Committee was of the view that all those police officers who failed to perform their duty should be suspended and penalized for their negligence and irresponsible attitude. The Chairman Committee also expressed his displeasure on the absence of the Head of PFSA.

- 8. Keeping in view of the above, the Chairman Committee put the proposal before the Committee to decide as to whether the case of the death of three girls should be investigated through Magisterial Inquiry or Judicial Inquiry? The Committee proposed that there should be a JIT to probe the incident. The Committee nominated Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad as Chairman along with two members, namely; Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh and Senator Momin Khan Afridi to monitor the working of the proposed JIT.
- Parties, Media and General Public on the conduct of General Elections, 2018. The Chairman Committee stated that the committee was appointed by the Senate House to coordinate with Election Commission of Pakistan, Law Enforcement Agencies and Police to oversee the polling and monitor the security. He stated that they were aware of the complaints raised by the different stakeholders of the elections regarding the failure of the Result Transfer System (RTS) and Results Management System (RMS). He stated that a large number of official ballot papers, duly stamped on election symbols of various political parties, which have been spotted along road sides, dust bins and in some class rooms which were earlier used by the Election Staff as Polling Stations. And, these lose official ballot papers were also found outside the Polling Stations in other cities of the country as well. He stated that the committee has desired to investigate all complaints received from different quarters and to submit a comprehensive report to the Senate.
- 10. The Chairman informed the Committee that he had written a letter to the election commission of Pakistan on the very next day of election i.e. 26th July to know about the failure of RTS and RMS. He stated that he was informed by the Election Commission of Pakistan that they had written a letter to Cabinet Division for appointing an investigation team comprising of technical experts to investigate the complaints and to fix the responsibility for the lapse of RTS/RMS. The Committee was of the view that all issues pertaining with RTS/RMS will be discussed in presence of Chairman NADRA in the next meeting of the Committee.
- 11. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati appreciate the work done and the initiatives taken by the Chairman and Members of the Committee on important issues pertaining with General Elections, 2018. He state that it was a timely action that a number of pre-elections and post elections meetings were held in which exhausted discussions were taken place and recommendations were made accordingly. He also stated that it was good for the democratic process that the responsibility of failure of RTS and RMS must be fixed. He raised the following questions:-
 - A. When the RTS App. Was finalized and contract signed between ECP and NADRA?
 - B. When the first pilot program was initiated by NADRA and the required results were achieved?

- C. Answer all questions asked by the ECP regarding the failure of RTS?
- D. What impact RTS had at the time it started malfunctioning? Whether initially slowing down, malfunctioning and then complete failure?
- E. Whether it was possible for any presiding officer to change or temper the actual results due to failure of RTS?
- F. When the App was being developed, was it technically tested to be compatible with different mobile phones?
- G. Whether RTS was being controlled by ECP or NADRA?
- H. Whether backend server was being operated by ECP or NADRA on the day of Election?
- I. How many Form-45 were received from presiding officers on hourly basis on the day of Election?
- J. How many Form-45 were relayed to ECP and R.O on hourly basis on the day of Election?
- K. When the RTS went slow? Why there was no backup or system in place?
- I. How did Mr. Shahbaz Sharif came to know ahead of ECP that the RTS system had failed to function?
- M. How ECP was authorized to invite only one company, NADRA, to award RTS contract?
- N. Whether the RTS App was developed by NADRA itself or it was provided by NADRA.
- O. The Chairman directed that the NADRA should present a detailed report on the above all points in the next meeting of the committee.
- 12. Senator Chaudhry Tanvir khan raised a question about the charges for verification of the votes by NADRA as millions of votes have been rejected in some constituencies saying if recounting and rechecking of rejected vote is made, the number of such votes will be higher than that of the winning margin of successful candidates in General Elections, 2018. The Chairman Committee directed that the NADRA should charge Rs.10/= for verification of thumb impression as per the policy adopted in General Elections, 2013.
- 13. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel expressed his dissatisfaction on the results of General Elections, 2018. He stated that it was not an Election but it was a Selection. The government spent an amount of Rs. 20 to 22 Billion on the elections which produced the result which is not acceptable to all political parties. He stated that he had already conveyed his complaint to the ECP on appointment of Mr. Asghar Ali , Election Officer posted in Musakhel and Mr. Waseem Sajjad if the Elections were to be held fair and free. The Chairman Committee directed that the Mr. Asghar Ali , Election Officer posted in Musakhel and Mr. Waseem Sajjad Provincial Election Commissioner in Baluchistan should be transferred from Baluchistan .
- 14. The Chairman Committee inquired from DG,NADRA about the statements published in media in which NADRA had stated that RTS was working perfectly on the elections day but DG NADRA denied that no such statement was issued by the NADRA and they had issued a rebuttal of the news. Chairman directed to provide the press clippings and press statement in which the earlier news was denied.

- DG IT, ECP briefed the committee about the Result Management System (RTS) and Result Management System (RMS) and explained that RMS was monitored and operated by the Election Commission of Pakistan but RTS was solely operated and monitored by the NADRA and Election Commission of Pakistan was absolutely relying on NADRA. Members of the committee expressed grave concerns to know that Election Commission of Pakistan had handed over the whole system to NADRA being another institution.
- 16. The Chairman inquired the D.G. IT ECP as to whether any agreement was signed between the NADRA and Election Commission of Pakistan and who was technically monitoring the systems, how powers are delegated to NADRA and what technology was used to transfer the data either pulse, digital or internet system was used? DG IT Election Commission of Pakistan informed that private company PTCL was hired to which Chairman Committee asked to provide answers to these following question to the committee before August 20, 2018.
 - 1. Under what authority the agreement was signed between ECP and NADRA?
 - 2. Who was monitoring the security of the system?
 - 3. What technical backup support was there?
 - 4. What steps were taken to avoid the hacking?
 - 5. How much funding was given to NADRA and PTCL?
 - 6. Any Violation of PEPRA rules?
- 17. The members Committee agreed to call another meeting of the committee on August 20th, 2018 as to whether to constitute the Judicial Commission or the Parliamentary Committee to investigate into the complaints and irregularities during the elections including failure of RMS & RTS systems, ouster of polling agents, unavailability of form-45 and throwing of stamped ballot papers in dust bins and also found in classrooms, roads and other places.
- 18. The Chairman deferred the matter of burning of Girls Schools in Chilas, GiligitBaltistan and directed that the Home Secretary and I.G.Police of Gilgit Baltistan should present the report in person in the next meeting of the Committee.
- 19. The Chairman directed that the Secretary Home, I.G.Police and I.G. FC should present report on Mustang attack on 13th July, 2018 and the incident of bomb blast in Quetta on the Elections Day i.e., 25th July, 2018 in the next meeting of the Committee.
- 20. The Chairman deferred the matter of briefing by the FIA on the cases of corruption being investigated against the officers / officials of CDA to be taken up in the next meeting.

- 21. The matter of the complaint against illegal operations of M/S Hadid International Ltd. at Karachi Airport was taken up by the Committee. The complainant was asked whether he had provided some written material to the concerned authorities as evidence? The complainant replied that he had not provided any written evidence to the concerned authority. The Chairman deferred this matter and directed to bring evidence in support of the complaint.
- 22. The Committee discussed the matter of the shortage of drinking water in Sector I-10, Islamabad. The officer of MCI briefed the Committee on the matter. The MCI officer could not satisfy te Committee regarding the policy of the MCI to provide drinking water to the residents of Sector I-10, Islamabad. The Chairman directed that the MCI should come up with more suggestions in the next meeting of the Committee so that the problem of drinking water could be solved in Sector I-10, Islamabad.

RECOMMEDATIONS:

- The Committee recommended that Dr. Azka, Medical Officer should be awarded with Pride of Performance Award in appreciation of her professional commitment, dedication and honesty which has set an example of righteousness to follow for the generations to come.
- 2) The Chairman directed that the I.G.Police, Punjab should attend the next meeting of the Committee otherwise a strict action will be taken against him.
- 3) The Committee was of the view that all those police officers who failed to perform their duty should be suspended and penalized for their negligence and irresponsible attitude.
- 4) The Committee proposed that there should be a JIT to probe the incident. The Chairman Committee nominated Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad as Chairman along with two members, namely; Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shalkh and Senator Momin Khan Afridi to make TORs for the purposed JIT. (copy of the TORs attached)
- He stated that he was informed by the Election Commission of Pakistan that they had written a letter to Cabinet Division for appointing an investigation team comprising of technical experts to investigate the complaints and to fix the responsibility for the lapse of RTS/RMS. The Committee was of the view that all issues pertaining with RTS/RMS will discussed in presence of Chairman NADRA in the next meeting of the Committee.
- 6) The Chairman Committee directed that the NADRA should charge Rs.10/= per person for verification of thumb impression as per the policy adopted in General Elections,2013.
- 7) On the complaint of Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel the Chairman Committee directed that the Mr. Asghar Ali, Election Officer posted in Musakhel and Mr. Waseem Sajjad Provincial Election Commissioner in Baluchistan should be transferred from Baluchistan.
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- 9) When the RTS App. Was finalized and contract signed between ECP and NADRA?
- 10) When the first pilot program was InItiated by NADRA and the required results were achieved?

- 11) The Committee recommended that the following questions asked by Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati may be answered:
 - a) What impact RTS had at the time it started malfunctioning? Whether initially slowing down, malfunctioning and then complete failure?
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- 13) The Chairman directed that the Bomb Disposal Squad (BDS) Peshawar Police should send full particulars of Hukam Khan BDS Officer, Peshawar to the Ministry of Interior for his nomination for Sitara-i-Shujaat Award by the government and his family should be provided reasonable compensation.
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- 15) The Chairman directed that the MCI should come up with more suggestions in the next meeting of the Committee so that the problem of drinking water could be solved in Sector I-10, Islamabad.

23. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

(Tanvir Ahmed)
D.G./ Secretary

Committee Standing Committee on Interior

(Senator A. Rehman Malik)



SENATOR ABDUL REHMAN MALIK, CHAIRMAN SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR PRESIDING OVER A MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE AT PAKISTAN INSTITUTE OF PARLIAMENTARY SERVICES (PIPS), ISLAMABAD ON AUGUST 08, 2018.



REPORTS RECEIVED FROM GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS IN COMPLIANCE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

- 1. Report submitted by M/o Interior / Govt. of KPK on suicide attack on Barrister Haroon Bilour.
- 2. Report submitted by M/O Interior/ Govt. of KPK on suicide attack on Mr. Akram Khan Durrani.
- 3. Report submitted by NACTA on security threats during General Elections, 2018.
- 4. Report submitted by FIA /PTA on Cyber Crimes.

No.1/7/2018-CAF(C) Government of Pakistan Ministry of Interior

Islamabad, the 11th July, 2018.

Subject:- SUICIDE ATTACK ON HAROON BILOUR.

The report of the fatal incident that took place on 10-07-2018 at 2325 hours in Peshawar district received from Home Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtoonkhwa is attached as desired.

(Abdul Aziz Uqaili)
Joint Secretary (CAF/ICT)

The Secretary, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.

Senate Secretariat (Ch. Tanveer, DG / Secretary Committee), Islamabad.

Copy to:-

- 1. Staff Officer to Minister for Interior.
- 2. PS to Secretary, Ministry of Interior.
- 3. PS to Additional Secretary-II, Ministry of Interior.

FROM :

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SUICIDE ATTACK ON HAROON BILOUR

On the 10th of July 2018, at about 2325 hrs, Mr Autangzeb and Mr. Wliayat Hussain, ANP workers had invited Harcon Bashir Bilour, ANP candidate of PK-78 Peshawar for a tea party in Street No: 10 Azeem Abad, Circular road Yakkatoot. About 40/45 other ANP workers were already present in the street, waiting for Harcon Bilour. On the arrival of Harcon Bilout, the workers started fireworks in the street. Other people of the locality were also attracted by the fireworks and gathered there. In the meanwhile a blast occurred in the street and resultantly Harcon Bilour and other companions were hit. According to BDU it was a suicide attack and about 08 kgs explosives were used in the suicide jacket. 20 persons including Harcon Bilour are reportedly killed while about 75 persons are injured, including constable Arshad gunman of Harcon Bilour. The local administration reportedly had no information about this tea party.

The dead bodies and injured were shifted to LRH. About 2000/2500 ANP workers reached the Hospital and started agitation, smashing doors and window glasses in the hospital. They also chanted slogans against the Army.

Following are the names of persons, killed.

- 1. Haroon Bashir Bilour (ANP candidate PK-78) Peshawar.
- 2. Asif Khan s/o Tawas Khan r/o Yakkatoot Poshawar.
- 3. Muhammad Shoaib s/o Sahfiullah r/o Yakkatoot Peshawar.
- 4. Muhammad Nasem s/o Sadiq r/o Baram Abad Peshawar.
- 5. Yascen s/o Noor Hakeem t/o Yakkafoot Peshawar.
- 6. Muhammad Gul s/o Shoikh Jan r/o Yakkaroot Peshawar.
- 7. Najibullah s/o Rehmat Khan r/o Yakkatoot Poshawar.
- 8. Abidullah s/o Tila Muhammad r/o Yakkatoot Peshawar.

- 9." Huzaifa s/o Naveod r/o Yakkatoot Peshawar.
- 10. Arif Hussain s/o Qambar Ali r/o Qissa Khwani.
- i I. Akhtar Gul s/o Hakeem Usman r/o Yakkatoot Feshawar.
- 12.Imran s/o Usman r/o Yakkatoot Peshawar.
- 13. Rizwan s/o Jehanzeb r/o Yakketoot Peshawar.
- 14. Zameer s/o Madad Khan n/o Phandu Peshawar.
- 15.Israr s/o Islam Shah r/o Yakkatoot Peshawar.
- 16. Sameen s/o Ameer Khan r/o Chaghar Matti Peshawar.
- 17. Sadiq s/o Abdul Navced r/o Zargar Abad Peshawar.
- 18.Khan Muhammad s/o Khattak r/o Zargar Abad Peshawar,
- 19. Muhammad Hussaini r/o Zargar Abad Peshawar,
- 20. Khalid Hussain r/o Yakkatoot Peshawar.

Threats from various terrorist organizations have been emanating for targeting political leaders in the province. Some of those threats are specific and by name i.e. Akram Khan Durrani of JULP, Asfandyar Wali & Haider Khan Hoti of ANP, Aftab Ahmad Sherpao of QWP, Maulana Tayyah Mohtamim Madrassa Panj Peer and his brother Major Amir residents of Swabi. However, no specific threat for the deceased Haroon Bilour has come to light in the recent past.



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No.1/7/2018-CAF(C) Government of Pakistan Ministry of Interior <><>>

Islamabad, the 13th July, 2018.

SUBJECT:- SPECIAL REPORT ON IED ATTACK ON AKRAM KHAN DURRANI, (EX-FEDERAL MINISTER / EX-CM KPK

The report of the fatal incident that took place on 13-07-2018 at 9.00 A.M. in Bannu district received from Home Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is attached as desired.

(Abdul Aziz Uqaili)
Joint Secretary (CAF/ICT)

The Secretary, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.

Senate Secretariat, (Ch. Tanveer, DG / Secretary Committee) Islamabad.

Copy to:-

- 1. PSO to Minister for Interior, Islamabad.
- 2. PS to Secretary, Interior Division, Islamabad.
- 3. PS to Additional Secretary-II, Interior Division, Islamabad.



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GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA HOME & TRIBAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

NO.SO(PCMC)/HD/2018 Dated Peshawar the 13th July, 2018 Phone # 091-9210300, 9210036, Fax # 091-9210201

To

The Secretary,
Govt. of Pakistan,
Ministry of Interior, Islamabad.

Subject:

SPECIAL REPORT ON IED ATTACK ON AKRAM KHAN DURRANI, (EX-FEDERAL MINISTER / EX-CM KPK)

Dear Sir,

. I am directed to forward herewith a self-contained Special Situation Report No. 666/PO/DSR/18 dated 13th July, 2018, received from Commissioner, Bannu Division on the subject noted above, for information and further necessary action, please.

Encl: A.A

Yours faithfully

SECTION OFFICER (HOMC)

C.c:

- 1. Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 2. PSO to Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 3. PS to Home Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER BANNU DIVISION



SPECIAL REPORT ON IED ATTACK ON AKRAM KHAN DURRANI [EX-FEDERAL MINISTER/EX-CM KPK) Date: Friday, July 13, 2018

In continuation of this office Special Situation Report bearing No. 664/PO/DSR/18, dated 13.07.2018.

Foday at about 9.00 A.M., Mr. Akram Khan Durrani, candidate NA-35 & PK-90 Bannu-IV (Former Federal Minister & Ex-Chief Minister KP) reached Haved Khass (17 Kms south west of Bannu City) to address Jalsa organized by one Fariduliah. The rally was held at Haved Adda which was attended by 1500/1600 gathering. After the Jalsa, when Akram Khan Durrani was seated in his armored car on his way back, an IED concealed in a motorcycle (CD-70 Black colour) parked near walk through gate exploded. Mr. Akram Khan Durrani remained unharmed due to proteotion of his armored vehicle, however, other casualties occurred. The detail of dead and injured is as under, who were shifted to the hospital in private vehicles:

1. Doad = 3 No.s

2. Injured = 39 Nos. (Including 3 critically injured)

Upon receipt of information, Assistant Commissioner Bannu was directed to reach the District Headquarter & Teaching Hospital Bannu to cosure the provision of medical assistance. Later Commissioner Bannu Division and Deputy Commissioner Bannu both visited DHQ&T Hospital Bannu to ensure best available treatment to the injured. Commissioner Bannu Division and Deputy Commissioner Bannu also met Akram Khan Durrani, and ensured him all possible security for his upcoming political gatherings.

For. Commissioner, Barmu Division

Copy to.

- 1. Additional Chief Secretary FATA, Peshawar.
- 2. Secretary Home & T.As Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 4. PSO to Chief Secretary Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 5. Headquarter 116 Brigade, Bannu Cantonment



GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN NATIONAL COUNTER TERRORISM AUTHORITY ISLAMABAD

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No. No. 15/DG(CT)/ NACTA/2018

Islamabad, the 20th July, 2018

Home Secretary Government of Punjab, Sindh, KP, Balochistan Chief Commissioner, ICT, Islamabad Inspector General of Police, Punjab, Sindh, KP, Balochistan &ICT Directorate General, Inter-Services Intelligence, Islamabad Directorate General, Intelligence, Bureau, Islamabad Muhammad Anwar, Special Secretary, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad Tanveer Ahmed, Secretary, Standing Committee on Interior, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad

Subject:

SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE GENERAL ELECTIONS - 2018 FORMATION OF A COMMITTEE

Reference this Authority's letter of even number dated 16th July, 2018 on the subject noted above.

 Please find herewith minutes of meeting on the subject held on 20th July, 2018 at NACTA Headquarters Islamabad for necessary action / perusal, please.

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GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN NATIONAL COUNTER TERRORISM AUTHORITY ISLAMABAD

Subject:

MINUTES OF MEETING ON SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE GENERAL ELECTIONS-2018- FORMATION OF A COMMITTEE

A meeting on the above subject was held on 20th July, 2018 at NACTA Headquarters, Islamabad under the Chairmanship of Dr. Sultan Azam Temuri, Member (CT/CV), NACTA (List of participants at Annex).

- 2. The proceedings of meeting started with recitation from the Holy Quran. Dr. Sultan Azam Temuri, Member (CT/CV), NACTA welcomed the participants and highlighted significance of the subject issue. The Chair acknowledged the concerted efforts of all the relevant stakeholders and briefed the participants about possible threats to country's internal security emanating from terrorism during general election. He invited Director General (CT) NACTA for brief presentation on the subject meeting. DG (CT) briefed the participants regarding overall security situation, policy guidelines issued by NACTA for protection of crowded places especially during the General Election 2018 and shared details of threat alerts for the political parties and their leadership.
- 3. SSP CTD Punjab briefed the participants about intelligence based operations which were effective against terror networks. He also explained that threat assessments received by District Officers, CTDs and LEA's were used to initiate further communication with political parties and District Intelligence Committees. He highlighted the success of District level Counter Terrorism Plans and arrest of various terrorists on basis of daily searches and specific combing operations based on intelligence information and explained that security to candidates and political leaders was delivered on recommendation of DIC. He elucidated that article 144 was implemented in Punjab, completely banning carrying of all types of weapon. SSP CTD, highlighted the measures to counter sectarianism included monitoring of B category Madrassas and fourth schedulers. He responded to a query that Safe City Authority had been established in Lahore with further expansion to other regions of Punjab.
- 4. Additional Secretary Home Government of Sindh briefed the committee regarding administrative and security arrangements in Sindh. He stated that general law and

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order situation is satisfactory, however, Sindh police is mindful of threats of terrorism. He further informed that politically and ethnically polarized environment may lead to disruptions. He further highlighted that in different divisions like in Karachi, potential threat areas are Layari and Korangi; in Hyderabad, Qasimabad is vulnerable; in Larkana division and in Shikarpur political and tribal rivalries are also a potential threat. He elaborated that the SOP of threat assessment committee is being followed to provide security to candidates and political leaders while security of political gatherings is already being provided as required. He informed that special security unit will cover the foreign observers notified by the election commission of Pakistan. For providing safe and secure environment various actions like arrest of proclaimed offenders and court absconders and fourth schedulers to be taken care of. Sindh Government is implementing the code of conduct issued by Election Commission of Pakistan in letter and spirit. Sindh government also provides security to all political party heads and candidates contesting general elections.

- 5. SP KPK Police highlighted the District wise Security Plan in which threat assessment to political leadership was carried out by District Intelligence Coordination Committee (DICC) and in this regard Home Department KPK has been requested to provide 600 security guards to ensure security to political leaders. On the question of security in districts that previously comprised of FATA jurisdiction, member responded that local administration was responsible for security arrangements there. He added that strict compliance of code of conduct issued by ECP is being observed.
- 6. Addl. I.G Police Balochistan briefed the committee on the current security situation. Police and CTD had been working together in the A area, while Levies Force and F.C are working in the B area of Balochistan which is a vast area. The most vulnerable areas to terrorism were Quetta, Kech, Panjghur, Mastung and Qila Abdullah.
- Deputy Commissioner Islamabad ICT briefed the committee regarding the security plan of polling stations, deployment of Pakistan Army and rangers and measures taken for security of political leadership and their election campaign. He informed that at present Islamabad police had provided security to political candidates as per entitlement and threat level. He further elaborated that the candidates applying for security will be scrutinized for security by the committee based on the various factors as per TOR's. He informed that the District

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Magistrate office was issuing NOC's for jalsas/corner meetings etc. on recommendation of security committee and ICT police issued security plan based on the strength of gathering. Almost all political parties were complying with the security arrangements and code of conduct issued by ECP. District administration was constantly in liaison with all political parties.

- 8. DIG operations ICT Islamabad informed that the fresh security audit had been carried out in main malls, parks, religious places and other public gathering places. CTD's were continuously conducting IBO's, monitoring the movement of fourth schedulers and also providing the security surveillance to election commission offices and officers. He further added that post election protection would also be provided to counter law and order situation.
- 9. Representative from Intelligence Bureau briefed the participants about their agenda of not only combating terrorism and sectarianism but also countering political rivalry as it plays a major role in sabotaging electoral process and disturbing law and order situation.
- 10. Representative of ISI pointed to violence because of extreme political rivalries in certain areas. He mentioned Kech, Awaran, Punjghur, Orakzai, Bajaur and Mohmand agencies as sensitive areas.

Recommendations:

- 11. After detail deliberation upon the security arrangements by the committee for General Elections-2018, following recommendations were agreed upon:
 - a) Political parties need to be more cooperative with local administration while carrying out any electoral campaign. Administration should improve liaison with political parties and candidates so that their security can be ensured.
 - b) Strict compliance on code of conduct issued by ECP should be observed in letter and spirit during electoral campaign.
 - c) Pre and post-election security should be made as effective as on Election Day.
 - d) Contingency plan should be effective and operational in case of any incident.
 - e) No compromise should be made on the security of candidates and political leaders.
 - f) Security of Senators should be ensured at all times.
- 12. The Chair in his concluding remarks thanked all the participants for attending this meeting of national importance.

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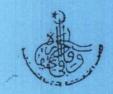
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SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE GENERAL ELECTIONS -2018 FORMATION OF A COMMITTEE

1. Dr. Sultan Azam Temuri Member (CT/CE), NACTA

Chair

- 2. Muhammad Jaffer, Director General (CT), NACTA
- 3. Mr. Jahanzaib Jogazai, Balochistan Police, Quetta
- 4. Muhammad Iqbal, Director General, CFT, NACTA
- 5. Mr. Obaid Ullah Farooq Malik, Director (Ops), NACTA
- 6. Muhammad Ibrahim, Addl. Secretary, Home Government of Sindh, Karachi
- 7. Lt. Col Habib Retired ISI
- 8. Lt. Co. Khalid Maqbool Retired ISI
- 9. Mr. Hamza Shafqat Deputy Commissioner (ICT), Islamabad
- 10. Mr. Aslam Nawaz, (SP Ops) KP, Police, Peshawar
- 11. Muhammad Abid Khan, IB, Islamabad
- 12. Muhammed Suleman, SSP Security Division, Islamabad police
- 13. Mr. Faisal Ali DIG Ops Islamabad
- 14. Muhammad Kashif Mushtaq, SSP Ops, CTD Punjab
- 15. Muhammad Jafer, Director General CT, NACTA
- 16. Engr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, Director (CT), NACTA



OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR CYBERCRIME WING FEDERAL INVESTIGATION AGENCY ISLAMABAD



No.HQ/FIA/CCW/Admin/2018/ 5481-84

Dated: 31 - 7 - 2018

To

MOST IMMEDIATE

Mr. Wasi Ullah Khan
Director General (Coordination)
Pakistan Telecommunication Authority HQs F-5/1
Islamabad

Subject: NOMINATION OF FOCAL PERSON - COMPLAINTS RECEIVED UNDER PREVENTION OF ELECTRONIC CRIMES ACT - 2016

Reference to your letter No.PTA/Coord/Miscellaneous/467/2018 dated 27-07-2018 on the subject cited above.

- 2. In compliance of the orders of the Senate Standing Committee for Interior, you are requested to direct Mr. Sikandar Abbas, Deputy Director (Vigilance), Pakistan Telecommunication Authority to report at Cybercrime Wing Headquarters located at 2nd Floor, National Police Foundation Building, Mauve Area, G-10/4, Islamabad without any delay as sitting arrangement of the officer concerned has been done at CCW (HQs) Islamabad.
- 3. This issues with the approval of the Director NR3C-FIA.

(CHAUDHARY ABOUL RAUF)
Addl. Director CCW-FIA

Copy for information:-

DG/Secretary Committee on Interior, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad

ii. Director CCW-FIA

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No. PTA/IP&WA/WAD/15/2014/

6 August, 2018

Subject:

Meeting to Discuss Mutual Legal Assistant Treaty (MLAT) with

Countries Hosting Social Media Servers

Reference:

PTA letter no: PTA/IP&WA/WAD/15/2014 dated 26th July 2018

A meeting was convened at PTA Headquarters F-5/1, Islamabad on 1st August 2018 at 1000 hours to discuss the subject issue. The meeting was chaired by the Chairman PTA and attended by following:

a.	Ms. Ameena Sohail	Member (Legal), MoIT
b.	Mr. Nisar Ahmed	Director General (IP&WA), PTA.
c.	Mr. Ahmed Shamim Pirzada	Director (WAD), PTA
d.	Mr. Muhammad Khurram Siddiqui	Director (Law), PTA
e.	Ch. Abdul Rauf	Additional Director, FIA (CCW)
f.	Mr. Khalid Wazir	Assistant Director (IP&WA), PTA

2. The meeting started with briefing to participants by Director General (IP&WA), it was apprised that meeting is being convened on directions of Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior. During last meeting of the senate standing committee the issue of Mutual Legal Assistance Treaties with Countries hosting Social Media servers was discussed. It was apprised to the committee by PTA and FIA during the meeting that no such MLAT exist between Pakistan and other states especially USA where information regarding crimes committed over internet can be shared. Representative of Ministry of Law & Justice was of the view that MLAT of such nature is already in place and the same can be utilized by FIA and PTA to depose off their duties under PECA 2016. The chair directed PTA to hold meeting of Mol, MolT, FIA and Ministry of Law to resolve this issue of MLAT.

3. The representatives from Ministry of Interior and Ministry of Law & Justice could not attend the meeting.

4. Ms Ameena Sohail, Member Legal, MoIT also supported that stance of FIA and PTA that no such MLAT exist which can bind other states to provide assistance to FIA or PTA for information sharing or online content blocking. She further suggested that since MLAT are usually carried out at Government to Government level and involves number of other issues besides information sharing, PTA through Ministry of Foreign Affairs may explore the possibility of becoming member of different forums which advocate removal of certain online content e.g. child abuse etc. through which pressure can be built on these social media platforms.

5. After thorough deliberation on the matter it was decided that a letter shall be written by PTA to concerned officer of Ministry of Law & Justice for provision of agreement to MoIT, PTA and FIA so that issues of social media may be taken up social media platforms.

6. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the chair.

Ahmed Shamim Pirzada Director (WAD)

To:

All Participants

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A2. Secretary to Senate Standing Committee on Interior,



Government of Pakistan

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No. PTA/Coord/Miscellaneous/467/2018/

27 July 2018

Subject:

Nomination of Focal Person - Complaints Received under Prevention of Electronic Crimes Act 2016

Reference.

- (i) Senute Secretariat's Letter No.F.10(1)/2018-21(C-I) dated 19th July 2018
- (ii) Senate Secretariat's U.O No.F.10(1)/2018-21(C-I) dated 23rd July 2018
- (iii) FIA's letter No.HQ/FIA/NR3C/Admin/2018/5270-74 dated 23rd July 2018
- In compliance to the orders of the Senate Standing Committee for Interior, whereby both the organizations were asked to have focal persons nominated for close coordination and smooth working between the two organizations.
- Mr. Sikandar Abbas, Deputy Director (Vigilance), Pakistan Telecommunication
 Authority is nominated as local person for the subject matter and he will be available at FIA
 for any assistance. His contact details are as below:

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Email ID

sikandarabbas@pta.gov.pk

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Forwarded, please.

Wasi Wilah Khan Director General (Coordination)

To: -

Capt (R) Muhammad Shoaib Director NR3C, FIA Islamabad

Copy for Information to:

- 1. Chairman PTA
- 2. DG/Secretary Committee on Interior, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad
- 3. Director General (IP&WA), PTA
- 4. Deputy Director (Vigilance), PTA -

Copies of letters under reference are attached, please.



OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR NATIONAL RESPONSE CENTRE FOR CYBER CRIMES FEDERAL INVESTIGATION AGENCY ISLAMABAD



No.HQ/FIA/NR3C/Admin/2018/ 5170-75

Dated: 23- 2018

To

The Director General (Web) PTA-HQs Islamabad

Subject: BLOCKING AND MONITORING OF WEBSITES/CONTENTS

Meeting of Senate Standing Committee on Interior was held on 20th July 2018 through which it has been decided that under Section 37 of Prevention of Electronic Crime Act – 2016 regarding unlawful online content; the Cybercrime Wing of FIA will nominate an officer to be attached with Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA) for the Monitoring and Blocking of unlawful content.

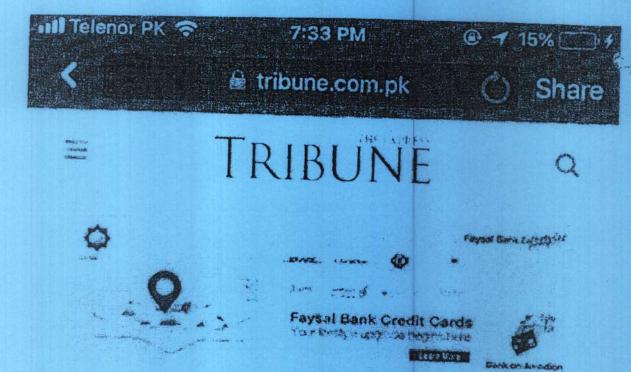
2. In compliance of above mentioned decision of Senate Standing Committee, Syed Muhammad Raza, Deputy Director/Research (BS-18), Cybercrime-FIA Islamabad is hereby attached with Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA) in addition to his own duties and responsibilities.

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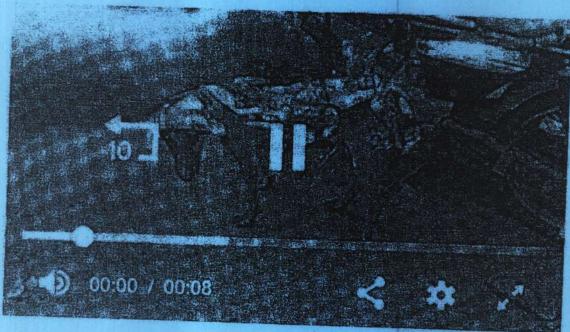
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Enquiry No. 12/18	Dated: 20.07,2018
Cyber Reporting C	enter: Cyber Crime Circle Islamabad HQ
Complainant	Complaint has been registered on the direction of Senate Standing Committee on Interior (Complainant Name: Mr Anees)
Alleged Person	Unknown
Allegation	Posting of Video on Internet showing the political party poster on animal (Dog)
Brief Facts	Brief facts of the complaint are that direction has been passed through the Senate committee on interior to lodge the enquiry against the viral video which showed the poster of one political party has been pasted on dog. (Annex-A)
Action Taken	During the course of enquiry, the alleged post was searched thoroughly on social media, and found that the alleged video was first posted on the following https://tribune.com.pk/multimedia/videos/1758875/ . (Annex-B). Other social medial account used the above mentioned linked to spread this video with a tag of Animal Abuse
Present Position	Express Tribune management has been contacted and asked to provide the user credentials who posted this video on tribune website. The reply is awaited.
Name of I.O	SI /, Humaira Aslam



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VOLUME - 1

Volume – I of the Report already submitted in the House on 21st July, 2018 on the meetings held on 19th & 20th July, 2018 and Recommendations made.

(Volume - I)

'BRIEF SUMMARY' OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

The special meeting of Senate Standing Committee on Interior was held under the Chairmanship of Senator A. Rehman Malik here at the Parliament House on Thursday and was attended by Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed, Senator Javed Abbasi, Senator Kulsoom Perveen and Senator Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh as members and Senator Saadia Abbasi, Senator Begum Najma Hameed, Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif and Senator Sitara Ayaz as special invitees. Secretary Interior, Secretary Defence, Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan, National Coordinator NACTA, Chairman PEMRA, Chairman NADRA, Home Secretaries and IGPs from all provinces and IGP and Chief Commissioner Islamabad among others.

Major General Asif Ghafoor attended the meeting as representative of the General Headquarters (GHQ), Pakistan Army.

The meeting commenced with the recitation from the Holy Quran. The Chairman Committee, in his opening remarks, strongly condemned the recent terrorist attacks in KPK and Balochistan in which Haroon Bilour and Siraj Raisani were martyred along with their workers. The Committee expressed grief over the loss of precious lives and heartfelt condolences with bereaved families and offered Fateha for the departed souls and all other Shuhdas of the Country.

Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior Senator A. Rehman Malik moved a Resolution which was unanimously adopted by the committee in 2nd session of the Committee. He read the Resolution as;

'RESOLUTION'

"The Senate Standing Committee on Interior strongly condemns the recent deadliest terrorist attacks claimed by Daiesh wherein on July 10, 2018 Shaheed Haroon Bilour and 21 others workers of ANP were martyred in a suicide attack during his campaign rally in Peshawar and in another terrorist attack on July 13, 2018 more than 200 workers, including Balochistan Awami Party (BAP) leader Nawabzada Siraj Raisani, were martyred during his election campaign rally in Mastung area of Balochistan. The Committee also

condemns attack on JUIF Leader Akram Khan Durrani in Bannu, in which 4 workers of his Party were martyred in his election campaign rally in Bannu. This Committee pays rich tribute to the martyrs of the nation, prays for the departed souls and expresses heartfelt condolences with victim families. The Committee appreciates the work being carried out by the Election Commission of Pakistan to conduct fair, free and transparent Elections on time under the supervision of Chief Election Commissioner Justice * Sardar Muhammad Raza and Members of the Election Commission of Pakistan and professional input being rendered by Mr. Babar Yagoob FatehMuhammad, Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan, they may also endeavor to ensure parity between parties and political persons. The Committee appreciates the assistance committed and is being given by the Pakistan Army under the command of COAS, General Qamar Javed Bajwa to the Election Commission of Pakistan and to the Provincial Governments to conduct secured and protected Polls by providing best possible security cover to the voters, candidates, electoral staff and polling vicinities. The Committee also appreciates the continued commitment of Pak-Army to safeguard the borders and to counter terrorism across the country. We (members) pray for the success of Pak-Army, Police and other law enforcers in keeping the peace and to protect the voters and the candidates. The Committee appeals to every Pakistani voter to come out to vote on 25th July as part of their national duty to maximize the voters' turnout. The Committee expresses serious concern on the recent wave of cross-border terrorist attacks claimed by Daesh and TTP who on behest of inimical forces are trying to sabotage the elections and to destabilize the country. The law enforcer should remain alert and vigilant to counter any such attack by the enemies of Pakistan. This Committee directs all the Provincial Governments to follow the Elections SOPs issued by Election Commission of Pakistan as per the code of conduct under Election Act 2017 to ensure "VIOLENCE FREE POLL-DAY" on 25th July."

Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior Senator A. Rehman Malik in his opening remarks said "I as a Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior and on behalf of my Committee Members, would like to express my thanks to Mr. Sadiq Sanjrani, Chairman Senate of Pakistan for nominating me as a Coordinator / Focal Person to review and monitor the security arrangements pertaining to General Elections, 2018".

The Chairman Committee stated that 25thJuly, 2018 is very important day in our national history when the nation is going to choose their representatives for the next five years in the national and provincial assemblies of the country. He appealed the nation on behalf of the Senate of Pakistan and Committee and all the participants to please come out of homes and cast vote on July 25th as a prime national responsibility.

The Chairman Committee stated that nation has suffered for years at the hands off anti-Pakistan forces, terrorists and now Daesh. He stated that emergence of terrorism is an international phenomena which emerged from Iraq supported by the west and now by India and Afghanistan. Therefore the meeting was aimed at to make the day "Violence Free". He said our today meeting may be marked as "MEETING FOR VIOLENCE FREE POLL-DAY".

BRIEFING BY REPRESENTATIVE OF GHQ:-

While paying thanks to the Chief of Army Staff General Qamar Javed Bajwa for sending Pakistan Army representative to apprise the Committee on security arrangements on polling day by Pakistan Army, Chairman Committee Senator A. Rehman Malik asked the Major General Asif Ghafoor for the briefing. GHQ representative Maj. Gen Asif Ghafoor rejected the notion that the security forces have any direct role in how the July 25 elections will unfold. He said that the Pakistan Army personnel are only following the Election Commission of Pakistan's code of conduct to provide foolproof security during the elections and on polling day. He said that Pak-Army extends full support to Election Commission of Pakistan to make the Election Violence Free. He categorically said that there were some rumours that army personnel had been issued 'different' orders — this is completely baseless."

Major General Asif Ghafoor also said with clarity that we (Pakistan Army troops) do not have any link with the elections; we are only working on the election commission's directives to improve the law and order situation and to secure the polling station. We do not have any direct or indirect role in poll processes. He said that army troops to be deployed at polling stations during elections will follow the code of conduct of the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) in letter and spirit. Major General Ghafoor added that the armed forces have always lent support to civil institutions adding that the security situation is being improved in the entire country to hold elections.

It was informed to the Committee that "Three hundred and seventy one thousand" Army soldiers will be deployed at the countrywide polling stations and the army is also performing its duty for safe transportation of ballots papers and boxes. "The security of political candidates is the responsibility of the Government of Pakistan and the ECP' he added. He

said that we are assisting the election commission for security during polling and unfortunately, until the police's abilities improve, we will also have to do police duty and we move the troops as and when Government requisitions our services.

Responding to a question by Senator A. Rehman Malik about coordination with Afghani government, the Army Representative said that Pakistan has been assured of reciprocal support from the Afghan side on the security front and has assured us about the closure of border during elections. "When the elections took place in Afghanistan, we took extraordinary measures on this side of the border. This time, the Afghan President phoned Pakistan Prime Minister and the Army Chief to assure us of their cooperation, said Maj. General Asif Ghafoor".

GHQ representative Maj. General Ghafoor expressed his thanks to the Parliament, Chairman and the members of the Committee for giving an opportunity to present a briefing on the role of Pakistan Army to ensure a foolproof security during General Elections, 2018.

Senator Kalsoom Parveen asked as to whether the armed forces have been imparted any training to perform their duty during the Elections. GHQ representative informed the Committee that all Army Personnel have been provided training as per Code of Conduct issued by Election Commission of Pakistan. When asked by PML-N Senator Kulsoom Parveen to disclose the number of troops being deployed in Balochistan. The GHQ representative said: "Leave the planning side to us; we know how many troops have to be deployed where. We have analyzed every place from a security point of view. We have made deployments as per the need in Balochistan.

The Committee overwhelmingly expressed satisfaction on the briefing given by the GHQ representative Maj. General Asif Ghafoor regarding the role of Pak Army during General Elections, 2018. The Chairman Committee Senator A. Rehman Malik also expressed satisfaction and assured that the Parliament is to provide its fullest support in holding General Elections, 2018 in free, fair and transparent manner.

BRIEFING BY THE SECRETARY, ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN:

The Chairman SSC on Interior asked the Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan Mr. Baber Yaqoob Fateh Muhammad to inform the Committee about the measures taken or being taken to ensure foolproof security for voters, candidates, electoral staff and the locations of polling stations on Elections day, 2018. The Chairman remarked that foolproof security measures be taken for safe printing, transportation of ballot papers / boxes.

The Secretary Election Commission informed the Committee that they had already announced 25th July, 2018 for General Elections, 2018. He stated that the primary role of the Election Commission is to hold general elections in a free, fair and transparent manner. The Secretary ECP emphasized that the Election Commission of Pakistan is the sole authority to conduct elections and ECP is performing its duties under the Elections 'Code of Conduct' and 'Election Act, 2017'.

He stated that the Election Commission of Pakistan had held extensive meetings with all Provincial Governments to ensure internal and external security of the polling stations. He informed that 85,000 polling stations have been setup all over the country for which about 350,000 policemen will be deputed for security on the Elections Day. Apart from this, Army, Rangers or F.C. can also be called on for sensitive polling stations. The Secretary ECP informed the Committee that CCTV Cameras will be installed in 20,000 sensitive polling stations in the country. The Chairman Committee remarked that all 85,000 polling stations should have been facilitated with CCTV cameras. The Secretary ECP also informed the Committee that the Election Material has been dispatched all over the country.

Senator Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh pointed out that the social media is being used for spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the institutions, political parties and individuals but no action is being taken against such users by the Election Commission of Pakistan, FIA, PEMRA and PTA. The Chairman remarked that negative use of social media is a very serious matter, for which a separate meeting will be held on 20th July, 2018 and this matter would be discussed in the detail. Secretary, ECP said that actions have already been taken on complaints of hate speeches and use of abusive language by some politicians. Senator A. Rehman Malik advised the ECP to take stern actions against those who violate

the ECP code of conduct and use abusive language/remarks against any political opponents. ECP secretary ensured that Elections will held free, fair, transparent and peaceful with the help of candidates, people of Pakistan and all institutes of the state.

Senator Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh also pointed out that there as some rumours on social media that a "Symbol of Grave" has also been allotted to a candidate. The Secretary, ECP categorically rejected the fake news spread on social media regarding allotment of symbol of Grave to any candidate. He stated that full authority has been delegated by ECP to the ROs to allot Symbols to the Political Parties / Independent candidates.

The Secretary, ECP requested that CCTV cameras may be made operational across the country for vigilances and surveillances. Chairman Senate Standing Committee Senator A. Rehman Malik directed the Interior Ministry to direct all the provincial home departments as well as IGPs to take cognizance of these serious concerns of ECP. Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan strongly countered the notion that ECP is playing a biased role, saying such comments are hurtful as ECP is intended to conduct free, fair and transparent elections under Article 218 of the Constitution of Pakistan. He responded to the observation of senator Sadia Abbasi that election commission is acting biased and not playing its role.

He said that nation will be celebrating 25th July as Democracy Day.

Senator A. Rehman Malik said that this Committee highly appreciates the role of ECP and stands by it and extends full support of the Parliament to conduct free, fair and transparent elections.

Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi stated that arrest of political workers on the pretext of law and order situation is a pre-poll rigging. A number of political workers have been arrested and cases have been registered against them when they were participating in the rally on 13thJuly, 2018 to express their solidarity with PML N leadership. He stated that the credibility of a fair, free and transparent General Elections is at stake because specific party leaders are been targeted. Even cases have been registered against Senator Raja Zafar-ul-Haq and Former Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi. The Chairman directed that the cases against Senator Zafar-ul-Haq and Former Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi should be withdrawn and all political workers arrested on 13th July, 2018 should be released.

Senator Sitara Ayaz remarked that the implementation of the Code of Conduct should be ensured without any discrimination and she expressed her concern on the recent wave of terrorism.

BRIEFING BY NACTA:

National Coordinator NACTA Dr. Suleman Khan briefed the committee about possible threats to various political parties and candidates during their election campaigns and on polling-day. He said there are 65 threat alerts for various politicians across the country and most of the threats alerts are from across the border. He said that the new perception after the death of TTP chief Mullah Fazalullah that TTP has gone weaken is proving wrong especially when the elections are commencing and the environment is highly charged and motivated.

The National Coordinator NACTA informed the Committee that the mandate of the NACTA is to coordinate with all Government Departments in sharing information on threat alerts. He stated that during the Elections the security situation becomes more sensitive as they have to coordinate from grass root level. He stated that the country was facing challenges of extremism, changed environment and Electioneering process in the country. The Chairman remarked that Committees be formed on district level to coordinate with NACTA and he further directed that the names of those under threat may be communicated to the respective head of the political party for their information.

The Chairman SSC on Interior Senator A. Rehman Malik expressed that the briefings presented by the GHQ Representative, Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan, Ministry of Interior and Ministry of Defence have been highly satisfactory. He directed the Ministry of Interior to present the report on registration of cases against Senator Raja Zafar-ul-Haq and Former Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi and all political workers within 03 days. The Chairman apprised the participants of the security threat posed by terrorist organizations and warned that the Daesh (ISIS) has reached this region and the RSS is supporting them. He further elucidated that the RSS, which was committing terrorist attacks in the name of Pakistan, has been declared as a terrorist organization by United States of America. It was indeed a moment of achievement for the government and the people of Pakistan. The Chairman directed the Ministry of Interior to request on behalf of our state, wherein the

ruthless activities of RSS should be exposed, making an official record of their crimes and a case of war criminal against PM Modi be moved in the International court.

Senator A. Rehman Malik advised NACTA to formulate the new SOPs for peaceful elections accordingly the threats and as advised by this committee in its earlier meetings. He expressed that LeJ and TTP are emerging in a new shape of Daish about which he had disclosed back in 2014 that Daish exists in Pakistan but no actions was taken then. He said till we do not smash the heads of TTP and LeJ, a peaceful Pakistan will remain just a dream. He asked the government to immediately ask the government of Afghanistan to hand over us the chief of terrorists i.e Khalid Khurasani- chief of Daish of Pakistan, TTP's new chief Mufti Noor Wali and escaped suicide bomber Ikramullah who is most wanted in Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto's martyrdom case as they all are hiding in Afghanistan.

Senator A. Rehman Malik said that Afghanistan soil is being used against Pakistan and there is nexus of RAW and NDS under the leadership of Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He said that India is leaving no stone unturned to destabilise Pakistan and according to reports it will use inimical force to sabotage electoral process through terrorism. Senator A. Rehman Malik further said that India is trying to create wedge between the provinces by using terrorism as tool in KPK and Balochistan however as a nation we stand together on page. "Today meeting is the best demonstration of Civil-Military ideal relationship when it comes to the national security of Pakistan" said Senator A. Rehman Malik.

BRIEFING BY PEMRA:

Chairman Senate Standing Committee Senator A. Rehman Malik inquired the Chairman PEMRA as what measures the PEMRA has taken so far to block the derogatory advertisements containing foul and humiliating language against opponents political parties. Chairman PEMRA said that actions in this regard have been taken and ads with derogatory remarks and foul language have been blocked. Senator A. Rehman Malik directed the Chairman PEMRA to direct all the TV channels to dedicate specific time and space for public awareness message on Election that public can be motivated and mobilized to cast the vote.

Inspector General Police and Home Secretary Balochistan briefed the committee about the deadliest terror attack in Mastung in which more than 200 people were martyred. They informed the committee that suicide bomber was recognized as Hafiz Nawaz hailing from Abbotabad and further investigation is underway. They informed that the local administration had no prior information about holding of corner meeting by the candidate.

Senator A. Rehman Malik said that he and the committee members salutes the people of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan for their countless sacrifices against war on terror. He said "My heart goes out to the victim families of terrorism and I strongly recommend that compensation package should be fixed equal to the victims of all provinces".

BRIEFING ON PESHAWAR SUICDE ATTACK:

The additional IGP KPK briefed the committee about the blast in Peshawar in which ANP leader Haroon Bilour and 21 workers of his party were martyred. He told the committee that the JIT was formed soon after the incident and facilitator is arrested from Hangu and further investigation is under way. He said that local administration and police were not informed prior to the corner meeting of ANP. "The incident would have been averted if the administration had been informed well before the meeting," he added.

BRIEFING ON MASTUNG SUICE BLAST:

Inspector General of Police Mohsin Hassan Butt briefed the committee about the deadliest terror attack in Mastung in which Shaheed Siraj Raisani along with his more than 200 workers were martyred. He informed the committee that suicide bomber was recognized as Hafiz Nawaz hailing from Abbottabad and further investigation is underway. "The suicide bomber was part of Daesh and had been affiliated with the Lashkar-e-Jhangvi (LeJ) as well and facilitators of the attack have also been detected," The IG Balochistan informed.

BRIEFING BY IG POLICE ISLAMABAD:

IG Police Islamabad Mr. Jan Muhammad briefed the meeting and said adequate measures have been taken to make the polling day peaceful across the ICT. He said that as Imran Khan is contesting election from NA-5 and threat alert has been issued for him therefore adequate security per his satisfaction is provided to him by Islamabad Police.

BRIEFING BY SECRETARY INTERIOR:

At the end of the meeting, Secretary Interior informed the committee that regular meeting are being held with all stakeholders through video conferences about the security situation across the country. He said that Ministry of Interior is in close coordination with ECP and all provincial governments and is ensuring peaceful conduction of elections. He said they are trying their best to implement the code of conduct and SOPs framed by the ECP. Senator A. Rehman Malik said that for better security there is a dire need to work 24 hourly bases and to remain in direct contact with candidates through local administration.

While concluding the meeting Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior Senator A. Rehman Malik appealed the people of Pakistan to come out and vote on July 25th for the future of the country considering it a prime national duty and responsibly. He said that the nation is behind Pakistan Army and all other LEAs in war against terrorism.

RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE COMMITTEE IN ITS MEETINGS HELD ON 19TH & 20TH JULY, 2018:

- i. All 85,000 Polling stations should have been facilitated with CCTV cameras.
- ii. The Ministry of Interior to direct all the Provincial Governments to arrange to install maximum number of CCTV Cameras operational as desired by the Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan.
- iii. Cases against Senator Zafar-ul-Haq and Former Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi, Senator Javed Abbasi and Senator Ch Tanveer should be withdrawn and all political workers arrested on 13th July, 2018 should be released.
- iv. Committees should be formed on district level to coordinate with NACTA and coordination level should be raise between NACTA, ECP, Provincial Governments and Heads of Political Parties.
- v. NACTA to share the threat alerts list (65 alerts) with Heads of all the Political Parties and individual under threats and Senate Standing Committee on Interior for information of the August House.
- vi. The Government of Pakistan immediately take the issue of handovering of TTP new Chief Mufti Noor Wali Mehsood, Khalid Khurasani Head of Daiesh Pakistan Chapter and Ikram Ullah who are hiding in Afghanistan and operating against Pakistan.
- vii. The Ministry of Interior to request on behalf of our state, wherein the ruthless activities of RSS should be exposed, making an official record of their crimes and a case of war criminal against Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi may be filed in the International Court of Justice.
- viii. Election Commission should take cognizance of the abusive language used by some Political Leaders against their opponents and action under Code of conduct of ECP should be taken against those who use abusive language.
- ix. PEMRA to direct all the Private TV Channels to dedicate atleast 3 minutes daily for Public Awareness to motivate the Voters to come out of the Houses on 25th July and Vote for the future of Pakistan.
- x. FIA and PTA to form a Joint Cell for immediate redressal of complaints regarding abusive material of social media and to enhance the capacity of Cyber Crime Cell.
- xi. Stringent action should be taken against negative use of social media.

COPY OF BRIEFING GIVEN BY THE 'ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN'



SECURITY AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR GENERAL ELECTIONS 2018

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BABAR YAQOOB FATEH MUHAMMAD

Secretary ECP



CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS



- Article 218.— 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
- Article 220 It shall be the duty of all executive authorities in the Federation and in the Provinces to assist the Commissioner and the Election Commission in the discharge of his or their functions.

GE-2018 are different?



- These are the first elections after electoral / legal reforms took place in the country.
- First ever elections in history, that preparation of electoral rolls & delimitation simultaneously preceded for.
- Computerized Electoral Rolls System (CERS) fully operational
- Delimitation carried out despite several challenges/
- ·GIS enabled polling scheme through which each voter can have a look of his polling station on his computer / mobile
- Results Management System having legal cover fully functional
- •Results Transmission System will be used for early results

GE-2018 are different?



- ·Water mark ballot papers imported from UK and France.
- · Comprehensive trainings for DROs/ROs
- Two days dedicated training to each presiding officer and his senior Assistant Presiding Officer
- · A comprehensive monitoring mechanismin place
- ECP's own strong rooms for preservation of the sensitive
- CCTV cameras in each booth of every highly sensitive polling station
- · Postal ballots facility extended to persons with disabilities
- Poling stations buildings have been upgraded to have basic facilities including ramps for disables.
- · Senior citizens, women's with infants and transgender will be given preferences? will not stand in queues.
- · Voting details of each voter on SMS 8300.

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Province Area	National Assembly	Provincial
Balochistan	5 16	Assembly
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	139	99
Punjab tensussa	741	297
Sindh	61	130
FATA TOTAL	12 7	Can Cartagada at
Federal Capital	3	14
Total General Seats	272	677

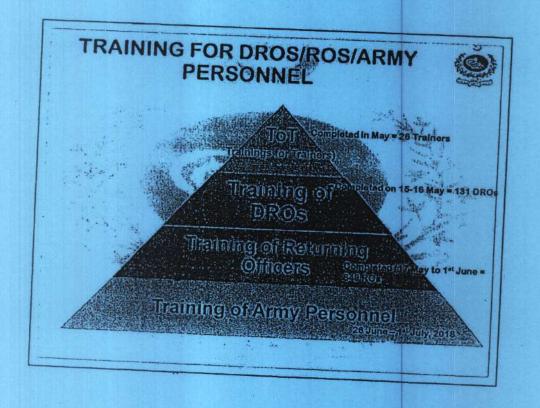
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KP .	87,705,831	6,610,468	15,316,299
Parijale	33,67,9,992	126 992 876	60,672,868
Sindh —	12,436,844	9,954,400	22,391,244
FATA	11507,502	1,002,252	2,510,154
Federal Capital	407,463	357,885	765,348
Grand Total	59,224,282	46,781,145	105,955,407
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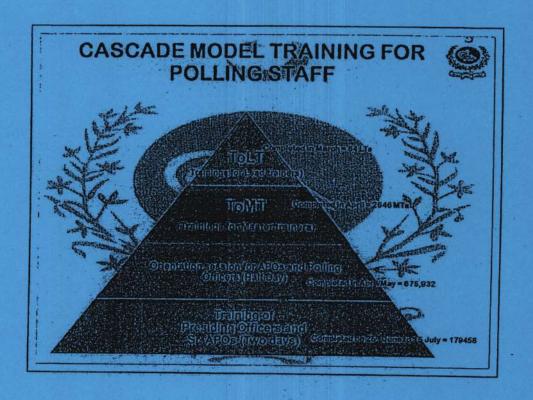
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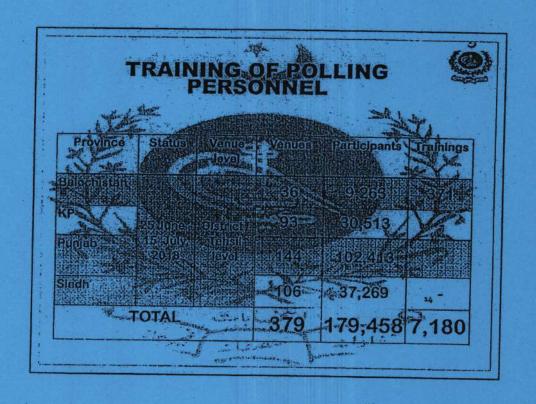
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	Province / Area	Presiding Officers	Assistant Presiding Officers	Polling Officers
	Balochistan	4,420	23,398	11,699
64	KP (incl.	14,530	83,692	41,846
#	Punjab incl.	48,610	281,062	140,531
	Sindh 3	77,7475	122,204	61,102
	/Total-	85,307	510,356	255,178

NUMBER OF CONTESTING CANDIDATES			
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Province / Area	National Assembly	Provincial Assembly	
Balochistan	303	1,007	
KR. /	760	1,264	
Punjab X	1,696	4,242	
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Punjab 📜	13,351	12,716		MARKET -	12,634
Sindh	3,866	3,599	21,746	建造 - ~ 注"	47,813
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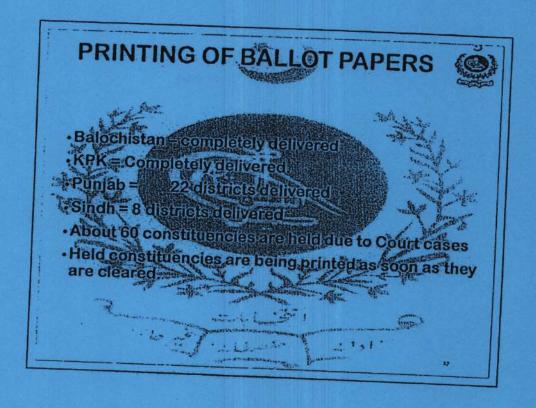


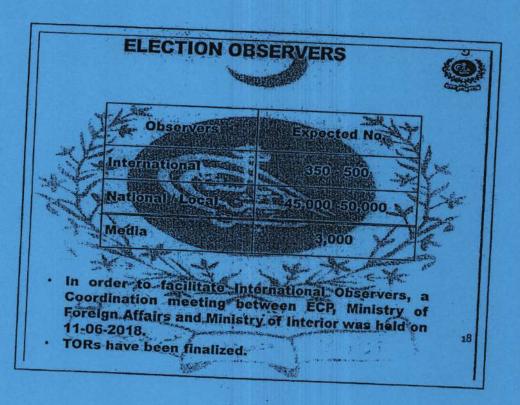


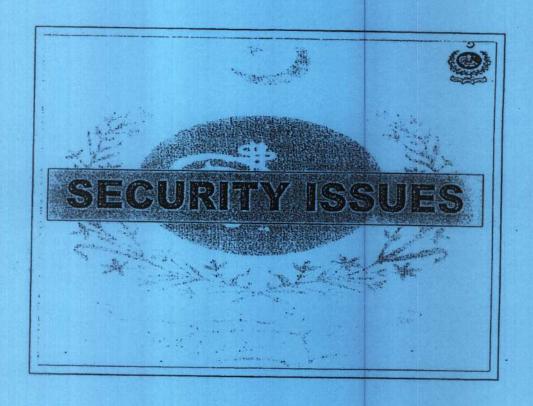


Name of Item	Quantity	Delivery Position
Ballot Boxes	202,239	Complete
Screened Off Compartments	354,430	Complete
Nylon Stamps	635,579	Complete
Brass Seals	53,086	Complete
Tamper evident bag (TEB-I)	754,548	Complete
Tamper evident bag	3,087	Complete
Stationery Packs	90,031	Complete
Plastic Seals	2,550,437	Complete
Marking Aid Rubber Stamps	770,860	Complete
Indelible Ink vials	429,060	Complete

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Printing Press	Province //Area Assigned	No of Ballot Papers
Printing Corporation of Pakistan,	A COUNTY OF THE PARTY OF THE PA	30 Million
National Security Printing Company, Karachi,	Balochistan, Sindh Punjab (Bahawaipur Mulan, Sahiwai, DG Khan, Sargodha Div.)	100 Million
Pakistan Post Foundation, Islamabad.	Federal Capital, Punjab (Rawalpindi, Gujranwala, Falsalabad, Lahore Div.)	70 Million







MEETING WITH CHIEF SECRETARIES

- •The Commission convened a meeting with all Chief Secretaries on 8th May, 2018:
- ·Following decisions were made in the meeting:
- All polling stations will be linked through GIS system by taking photographs of polling stations and geo-tagging of buildings thereof.
- In order to upgrade the polling stations, details of ECR survey was shared with the chief Secretaries whereby the polling stations with missing facilities were identified as follows.

Province No of polling stations with missing facilities Punjab 107 Sindh KPK. 570

Balochistan 576 ICT 4

MEETING WITH CHIEF SECRETARIES



- •CCTN cameras will be installed at highly sensitive polling stations
- ·Chief secretaries assured that Walk-through Gates will be installed on the most sensitive polling stations
- Fool proof security will be provided to training venues of the polling staff and the election offices in the districts.
- · Transport will be provided to the DROs/ROs
- · Gunmen will be provided to each REGS/DECs/DROs/ROs

SECURITY MEETING



- o Election Commission convened a security meeting in ECP on 14 June, 2018
- The/meeting/was/attended by: Secretary/Ministry of Defence
 - Secretary Ministry of Interior
- DG-Military/operations
 - All Inspector Generals
- In this meeting it was decided that in order to ensure peaceful voting, army will be deployed inside and outside all polling stations.
- o The provincial governments will install CCTV cameras at the most sensitive polling stations
- Code of conduct for security personnel will be prepared clearly indicating therein the Do's and Don'ts



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Please refer to the meeting held in this Secretaries on 14" June, 2018 in respect Encurity Asymptotic for Control Elections - 2016.

2. Under Article 220 of the Constitution of Inherite Republic of Pakieters read with Section E(C) of the Elections Art, 3017, the Election Commission of Pakieters is making all such arrangements to implement the law / rules in the area spirit in conduct the cloodions in thes. fair and just measure.

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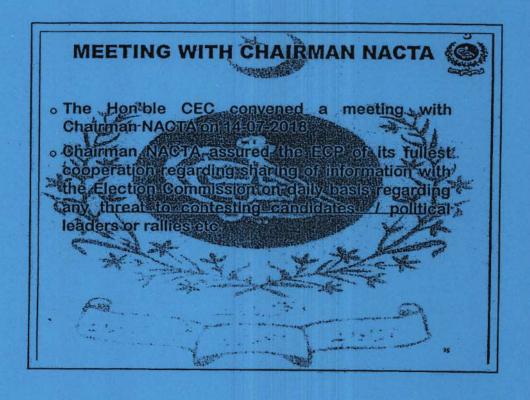
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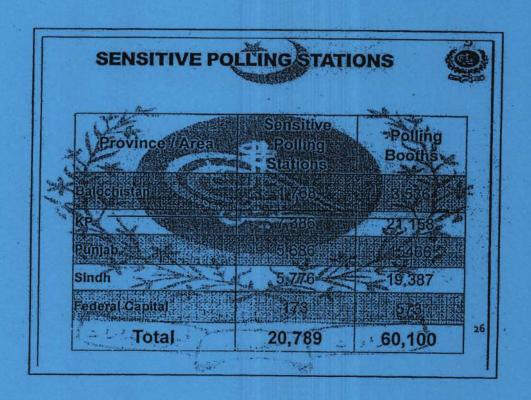
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Mr. Akbar Elmunia Durrant, Chief Socretary, Punjah, Labore.

PM SECURITY MEETING

- o Hon'ble Prime Minister convened a security meeting PM Office on 25th June, 2018
- . The meeting was attended by:
 - · Minister for Interior
 - · All Chief Ministers
 - Director Military operations
 - All Chief secretaries
 - All Inspector Generals
- o In this meeting it was decided that:
 - o a vigilance cell shall be established at each provincial headquarter to monitor violence, possible threats of sabotage during GE-2018
 - o Provincial governments shall ensure security at training venues
 - o Fool proof security arrangements shall be made for the security of polling staff.
 - Provincial governments shall provide adequate security to political leaders in consultation with law enforcement agencies.





CCTV Cameras at highly sensitive polling stations



- Section 59(12) of the Elections Act 2017 provides that while finalizing the list of polling stations of a constituency, if the DRO declares a polling station as highly-sensitive, the Commission may in addition to appropriate security measures as may be taken, install—or direct any Government to install a surveillance camera in each polling booth of such polling station to record poll proceedings, counting of vote process and preparation of results by the Presiding Officer.
- ECP issued a directive on 22-12-2018 asking federal / all the provincial governments to install the CCTV cameras accordingly.

DEPLOYMENT OF PAKISTAN ARMY IN GENERAL ELECTION 2018



- o In order to hold the General Elections 2018 in a peaceful manner and to provide a level playing field to all stakeholders, the ECP has decided that Pakistan Army shall be deployed inside and outside all the polling stations
- No of Army Troops to be deployed will be 3,70,000 approx.
- o 180,000 Regular Army
- o 190,000 Reservists

Province Police Force Punjab incl. ICT 202.100 Sindh 100.599 KP 87.269 Balochistan 59,497 TOTAL 449,465

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SECURITY OFFICIALS



A summary of DOs contained in Code of Conduct for security personnel is as under; THEY WILL:

- a perform their duties in accordance with law and cooperate with DRO, RO and Presiding Officer.
- b. Under the law it is duty of Presiding Officer to keep order at polling station & he may remove and cause to be removed any person who misconducts himself or fails to obey his lawful order;
- c. remain impartial throughout election if voting process;
- d. while performing duty inside polling station, exclusively concentrate on ensuring peaceful and smooth polling process and shall follow direction of Presiding Officer.

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A summary of Don'ts is as under: THEY SHALL:

- o, not ask voters to produce "Perchees" or prove their identity as this is duty of polling officer;
- not disallow any eligible voter to enter polling station:
 - o not act in such manner whereby that voters, polling agents, observers, media persons etc. may draw an impression of their being partial or biased;
 - o not assume duties of polling staff;
 - o not take into his custody any election material;
 - o not interfere in any manner whatsoever in the function of polling staff.

Code of Conduct



- ·There shall be a complete ban on:
 - ·panaflexes of any size.
 - ·hoardings,
- ·billboards
- wall chalking, and
- In no case the picture of government official shall be printed on any publicity material.
- Posters, portraits and banners affixed by one party shall neither be removed nor distribution of handbills and leaflets be prevented by workers of another party.
- No candidate, election agent or their supporters or polling agent shall resort to violence in any form or manner against a presiding officer, assistant presiding officer, polling officer or security personnel etc.

SECURITY OF LEADERS CANDIDATES/MEETINGS



- Complete ban on carriage and display of all kinds of weapons, and fire arms in public meetings and processions; on polling day and until 24 hours, after consolidation of results by RO
- This condition shall not apply to persons deputed to provide security to the leaders of political parties or candidates however such persons shall have valid license + proper permission from authority.
- All types of firing including aerial firing, use of crackers and other explosives at public meetings and at or near polling stations shall not be allowed.
- •Political parties, candidates and election agents shall firmly restrain their workers from exerting undue pressure against the print and electronic media, including newspapers' offices and printing presses, or resorting to violence against media.

SECURITY OF PROCESSIONS / MEETINGS

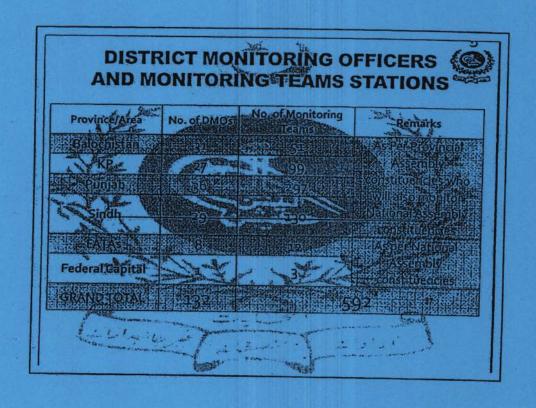


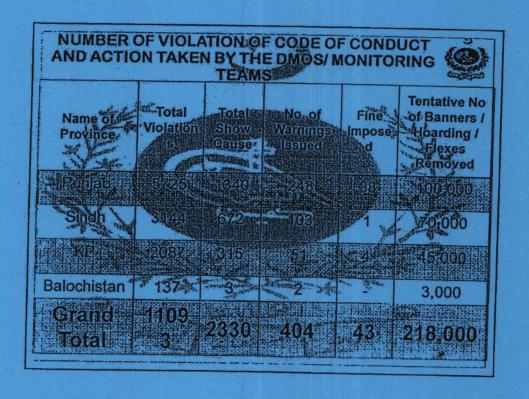
- Incitement to violence or resort to violence during campaign or polling hours shall be strictly avoided by candidates / supporters
- They shall publicly condemn violence and intimidation and not use language that might lead to violence or resort to violence.
- No person shall in any marmer cause injury to any person or damage to any property.
- Public rallies and processions shall be held only at specified places and routes.
- •Such places/routes shall be pre-determined in every city/ town-by district administration in consultation with candidates and be notified for public information.

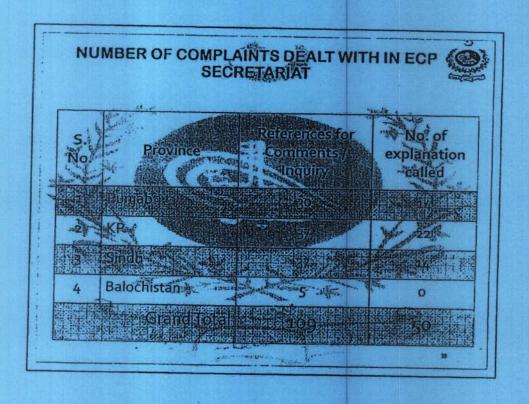
MONITORING OF ELECTION CAMPAIGN

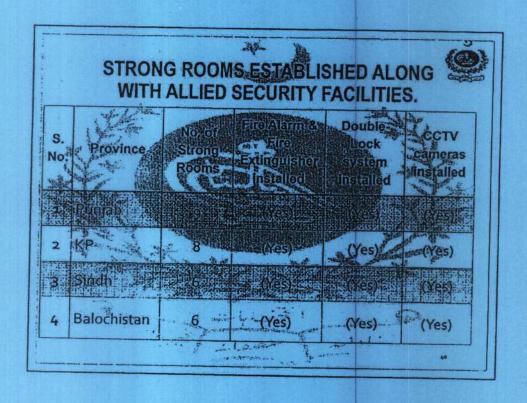


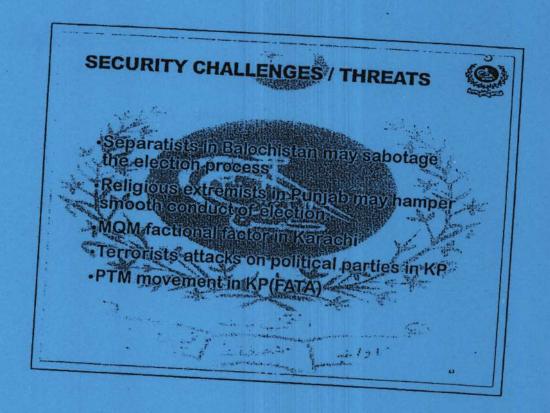
- Judicial Inquiry Commission Report highlighted that an effective monitoring mechanism is necessary for credible elections.
- Monitoring Teams in districts have been appointed at the Tevel of PA constituency and monitoring corresponding NA constituency as well
- In FATA / IOT Monitoring Teams have been appointed as per NA constituency.
- •Monitoring Teams are monitoring election campaign of candidates / political parties in constituency and report violation of the Act; Rules or Code of Conduct.
- Violation observed by the Monitoring Team are being conveyed to DMO for further necessary action as per law.

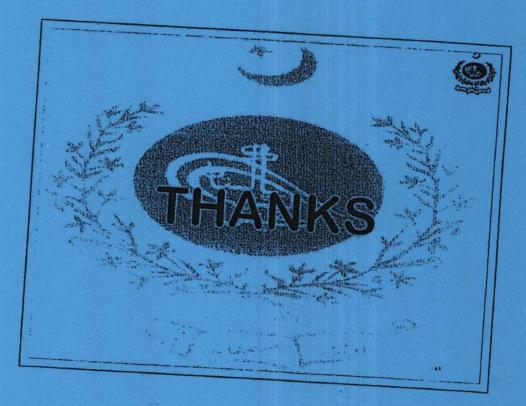












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ON THE AGENDA ITEM:

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Upcoming elections could be sabotaged, warns ECP secretary

Commission fears attacks on training centres of returning officers

By Ikram Junaidi

ISLAMABAD: Warning against possible violence in the run up to general elections, Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP), Secretary Babar Yaqoob told the Senate

Babar Yaqoob fold the Senate on Monday that according to his assessment, there was a possibility of attempts to sabotage the upcoming polls.

"We think that an effort will be made at an international level to sabotage the elections but it would not be appropriate to share details there. We are ready to inform you in an in-camera meeting," he said while briefing the Senate Standing Committee on Interior about security arrangements for the election day (July 25).

Mr Yaqoub said the ECP was

committed to holding elections within 60 days, but there was always the possibility of unexpected incidents taking place. "During the 2013 elections,

there were so many security issues, not only in Quetta, where a district election com-missioner died in a bomb blast, but there were also grenade attacks at five places in Balochistan. Security issues had also arisen in Khybar Pakhrunkhwa and Karachi. Similar incidents could happen similar incidents could happen again and we fear that the training centres of returning officers could be attacked, so we took the chief secretaries of all provinces on board to ensure security. Training of assistant presiding officers is

assistant presiding differs is currently under way." he added.

He said the ECP had decided to install surveillance cameras at 20,000 of the 85,000 polling stations across the country. However, that number should be increased to

at least 60,000, he suggested.
Responding to a question,
Mr Yaqoob said that it inight not be possible for the ECP to appoint armed forces person-

nel at all polling stations.
"We have talked to the army [about it] but we should under-stand that it won't be possible for them to withdraw such a large number of personnel from the eastern and western

borders. I think army officials will only be deputed at sensitive polling stations. On the other hand, as many as 350,000 police officials will be required if five officials are to be deputed at each polling station, he said.

Senator Azam Khan Swati of the Pakistan Tehreeki-Insaf (PTI) said it was unfortu-nate that politicians had never tried to make the police an institution. If the police were an institution, like the army, there would be no need to call in the army, he stressed, adding that he had suggested that the ECP provide various facilities to the polling staff, include

Jamint Mamadislam-Parl Senator Abdul Ghafoor Haideri said that during the elections in his constituency in 2013, polling could no take place at 14 polling stations and the results of 36 polling sta-tions had not been handed over to polling agents.

Responding to a question about whether the biometric system could be installed at every polling station, National Database and Registration Authority (Nadra) Chairman Usman Yousal Mobin said it would be hard to install good

quality biometric machines at

85,000 polling stations
"We have installed quality biometric machines at Nadra offices but there are only 550 offices across the country," he said.

Separately, while discussing the attack on Interior Minister Absan I qual during a subtre machine in Narrowal.

public meeting in Narowal, the additional Punjab IGP said the investigation is under way and its results would be shared soon. He said police had agrested five suspects belonging a religio-political party and he could give an in-camera briefing in this regard.

Solutor Rehman Mails said negligence on the part of security

rity officials deputed to ensure the minister's security should be identified. He said it was a matter of grave concern that the country's interior minister was not safe. "Ahean I chal rold me he had received a phone call and he had raised his arm to take the call, which is why the bullet had pierced his arm rather than his lungs," he said

Taking notice of a leaked video statement by the attacker, Mr Malik directed the additional IGP to suspend the officers who were investigating the culprit.

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PPP seeks 'sword' after 40 years

ECP calls security a major challenge for polls, seeks to deploy army

O OUR CORRESPONDENT

The Election Commission of Pakistan believes security will be a major chal-lenge for the July 25th general election, warning that attempts could be made to sabotage polls.

In his briefing to the Senate's Standing Committee on Interior, Secretary Election
Commission Babar Yaqoob recalled a district election commissioner was assassmated during the last elections while
terronst attacks were carried out on another few election officials in Balochistan.
According to ECP secretary around
20,000 polling stations would fall in
"most sensitive" category. ECP wants
provincial governments to install CCTV
cameras inside and outside such polling
stations. When committee members
asked about deployment of army during Committee on Interior, Secretary Election asked about deployment of army during polls, he said ECP would discuss it with caretaker government.
Senator Rehman Malik who heads the

panel said his committee would support the move if ECP would need helicopters. He asked private TV channels to reserve some time for public awareness on elections.

He said security may be provided to all those politicians who face security threats. The committee decided to con-

stitute a committee headed by PML-N senator Javed Abbasi on security issues of political leaders.

PPP to contest polls under 'sword

While most of the major political parties want to contest elections on the election symbol they had been using during previous polls, Pakistan Peoples' Party has applied to get "sword" symbol for this election.

PPP had contested 1970 and 197/polls with sword symbol arrow since then

PPP had contested 1970 and 1977 general elections with 'sword' symbol, it has been contesting with arrow symbol in has been contesting with arrow symbol since their. Secretary Ceneral PPP Nayyar Bukhan would contest his party's case in ECP today for new symbol. ECP has a list of around 330 approved symbols by the President of Pakistan. The ones left after being allocated. being allocated to political parties would be given to independent candidates. Sword was among the three symbols that were deleted from ECP's list after General Ziaul Haq imposed martial law in the

country after the 1977 general elections.
Other two were 'plough' on which opposition alliance tagged as Pakistan

National Alliance (PNA) had contested polls against Zulfikar Ali Bhutto's PPP, and 'scale' used by Jamat e Islami in the 1970 polls.

ECP meets today

ECP in a meeting today (Tuesday) would discuss allocation of election symbols to

The election commission had asked political parties to submit applications for election symbols by May 25th. It also asked political parties to ensure that they fulfill all legal provisions to get election symbols for the polls. The provisions include an affidavit staring they will allot at least five per cent of general seat tickets to women. It is the first time that a special provision

was added in the election laws to bind po-litical parties to give tickets to women. This is an addition to reserved seats for women in all the legislative bodies. Among the other conditions a political party is required to provide a certificate that it has been holding intra-party elec-

tions within the time frame mentioned in respective party's constitution, and statement of assets and accounts of the party signed by the party head.

Political parties contesting elections in a coalition were asked to apply for a joint election symbol as well.

However, to do that, all the political groups that would constitute a coalition must individually fulfill the conditions of declaring assets and holding intra party elections.

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International forces want to sabotage polls: ECP secretary

Says he will give in camera briefing on dangers; briefs Senate's body on election security

ter and spirits. The committee was also told that anti-Pakistan for Kalsoom Perveen, Senator Asad Ali Khan Junejo, Senator Asad Ali Khan Junejo, Senator Madra, Inspector General Formulation of Pakistan (ECP) told the Senate's Committee on Interior on Monday Itlat-it had a perfect guideline in shape of Senator A Rehman Malik here Election Commission Act with a perfect guideline in shape of Senator A Rehman Malik here Election Commission Act with a great to security which would be implemented in its true let. Senator Javed Abbasi, Senator

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among other officials attended

on Interior in its meeting was given a detailed briefing by Secretary Election Commis-sion Babar Yaqoob on security arrangements on Election I July 25. Secretary ECP told the Senate committee that elec-tions can be sabolaged by anti-Pakistan international forces for which we are taking necessary measures to ensure free and fair elections and he would give in-camera briefing on dan-

The committee was told about installation of CCTV cameras in polling stations, deputing policemen and armed forces personnel, motivation campaigns on urging voters to vote among other matters.

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Agenda of 19TH July, 2018:

- Briefing on the Security arrangements made for Voters, Candidates, Electoral Staff and the Vicinity/Locations of the Polling Stations on the Election's Day, 2018.
- ii. Briefing by the NACTA on security measures taken for the Heads of the Political Parties and other Political Leadership in the light of recent Security Threats.

Agenda of 20th July, 2018:

"Briefing by the FIA on the action to be taken on spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties, individuals and the complaints received under Cyber Crime Act. (The point raised by some Members of the Committee that some elements are going scot-free and there is no proper deterrence against those who are involved in the negative / immoral use of the Social Media"

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Bajwa asks troops to strictly follow ECP code of conduct

ECP secretary informs Senate panel 800,000 security personnel will perform poll duty; ISPR chief says security of candidates is govt, ECP responsibility

By Our Staff Reporter

ISLAMABAD: Chief of the Army Staff (COAS) Gen Qamar Javed Bajwa has directed army troops to be deployed at polling stations during coming general elections to follow the code of conduct of the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) in letter and spirit.

During a visit to the election support centre of the army on Thursday, the COAS said the army would assist the ECP strictly within the bounds of the given mandate. He said working in synchronisation with other elements of security apparatus, the army troops would put in place all efforts to ensure secure and safe environ-

ment enabling people to freely exercise their democratic right. The grmy chief was given a briefing about the army plan for provision of assistance to the ECP

to ensure free, fair and transparent conduct of the elections

In a related development,
Director General of the InterServices Public Relations (ISPR) Maj Gen Asif Ghafoor told the Senate Standing Committee on Interior that the army would have no direct role in conduct of the elections.

He said the army's role in pro-

viding security for the polls did not mean that it was taking direct responsibility of politicians' security. "Security of political candidates is the responsibility of the government of Pakistan and the ECP. We are assisting the election commission for security during polling," he said while speaking at a special session of the Senate committee.

The ISPR chief said 371,000 troops would be deployed at polling stations across the country and they would strictly follow the ECP's code of conduct and the list of dos and don'ts.

The meeting was presided over by committee chairperson Senator Rehman Malik and attended by, among others, the federal interior and defence secretaries, ECP secretary and national coordinator of the

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Counter terrorism National

Authority (Nacta).
Rejecting as haseless rumours about the army's perceived efforts to influence the outcome of the elections, Maj Gen Ghafoor said the army was only working on the ECP's directives to maintain law and order situation.

Elaborating the election duty assigned to army personnel, he said: "The armed forces have always lent support to civil institu-tions. The security situation is being improved in the entire coun-

try to hold elections."

The ISPR chief refused to divulge the strength of armed forces personnel to be deployed in Quetta near where a suicide blast at an election-related gathering claimed lives of around 150 people. "Leave the planning side to us; we know how many troops have to be deployed where. We have analysed every place from the security point of view. We have made deployments

Senator Kulsoom Parveen.

ECP Secretary Babar Yaqoob Fateh Muhammad told the meeting that 800,000 security personnel and 700,000 polling staff would perform election duties.

He made it clear that it would be the presiding officers who would be calling the shots and rejected the perception that the army would have the control of polling stations and would be free to act.

The ECP secretary took excep-tion to the allegation levelled by Senator Saadia Abbasi, sister of former prime minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi, that the ECP was playing a partisan role. "The parties represented here had framed the law and had appointed the chief election commissioner and [ECP] members," he said and deplored that attempts were now being made to make the commis-

sion controversial.

Javed Abbasi also referred to complaints of pre-poll rigging and said corruption cases were being initiated against a single political narry which was being denied level

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Main accused in Bilour attack arrested

Senate body told Mastung blast bomber identified

Asim Yasin

which hit Haroon Bilour and 2013, the ECP took the decision told the committee that the JIT to deploy army. He said that it is Chairman Senator Rehman was formed soon after the inci- for the first time that ballot pa- Malik directed the Interior Mindent and facilitator is arrested pers with watermark will be istry to direct all the provincial from Hangu and further investi- used and were imported from home departments as well as other LEAs in war against tergation is under way.

accused in Peshawar suicide at tack targeting Haroon Bilour was arrested from Hangu and the bomber of horrific Mastung attack has been identified as Hafiz Nawaz, a resident of Abbottabad.

A meeting of the Senate's Committee was held with its Chairman Abdul Rehman Malik in the chair was told that Inspector General of Police Mohsin Hassan Butt briefed the Committee about the deadliest terror attack in Mastung in which more than 200 people were martyred and informed the committee that suicide

administration lac been informed with three ways mechanism for the results transmission.

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Meanwhile, the additional rity officials and 700,000 ECP CCT cameras may be made opIGP briefed the committee staff will perform their duties. erational across the country for about the blast in Peshawar "Bearing in mind the events of vigilances and surveillances."

Malik appealed the people of Pakistan to come out and vote on July 25th for the future of

He said that le ril administ the transparency of the election. these serious concerns of ECP. tration and police recent in the said that the result manage. The ECP secretary strongly ISLAMABAD; The Senate's formed prior to the corner ment system and the transmis-

The Secretary ECP said that bomber was recognised as Hafiz Nawaz hailing from Abbottabad and further investigation is underway. "The suicide bomber was part of Daesh and Lashkar-e-Jhangvi as well and facilitators of the attack have also been detected," The IG Balochistan informed.

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equate measures have been taken to make the polling day the country considering it a prime national duty and responsibly. He said that the nation is behind Pakistan Army and all

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Briefing Senate panel

Army following ECP code for security: ISPR

Rebuffs rumours that army personnel are issued 'different orders'

QADEER TANOLI

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Rejecting the notion that the army has any direct role in upcoming general election, the military's chief spokesperson has reiterated that the Pakistan Army personnel are only following the Election Commission of Pakistan's (ECP) code of conduct to provide foolproof security during polls.

"We don't have any link with the elections; we are only working on the ECP's directives to improve the law and order situation. We do not have a direct role in polls," said the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) Director General Maj Gen Asif Chafoor on Thursday.

Chafoor was briefing a meeting of the he added.

Senate Committee on Interior, chaired by BRIEFING SI

7) The armed forces have always lent support to civil institutions

ISPR chief Maj Gen Asif Ghafoor

Senator Rehman Malik, to review the security plan and arrangements for July 25 general election at the Parliament House.

The ISPR chief said there were some rumours that army personnel had been issued 'different' orders. "These are completely baseless. The armed forces have always lent support to civil institutions. The security situation is being improved in the entire country to hold elections," he added.

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Army following ECP code for security: ISPR

BRIEFINGSENATE PANEL FROM PACE: Chafoor said army deployment the security arrangements on According to Chafoor, 371,000 soldiers will be deployed at polling sta-tions nationwide. The army is also performing its duty at the printing press for safe transportation of ballot papers and boxes, he said.

He, however, clarified that the army is not taking direct responsibility for the security of any politician. "Security of political candidates is the responsibility of the government of Pakistan and the ECP.

He said the armed forces are assisting the ECP for security during polling, adding that they will also have to do police duty until the po-lice's abilities are improved.

The ISPR chief gave details about deployment of army on the election day. He said two army personnel would be deployed inside each polling station and two outside of it.

To a question of Senator Kulscom Parveen about the number of troops to be deployed in Balochistan in view of sensitivity in its areas,

would be made as per requirement. However, he denied sharing details in this context. "Planning of security arrangements should be left on us. We know how many troops are to be deployed in which areas. Whatever the kind of threat is, the response always remains the same," he added.

Responding to a query of Rehman Mallk about coordination with Afghan government, the ISPR chief said Pakistan has been assured of reciprocal support from the Afghan side on the security front.

"When the elections took place in Afghanistan, we took extraordinary measures on this side of the border. This time, the Afghan president phoned Pakistan prime minister and the army chief to assure us of their cooperation," Chafoor said.

Briefing by ECP

the polling day and said a total of 800,000 security officials and 700,000 ECP staff will perform their duries.

"Bearing in mind the events of 2013, the ECP took the decision to deploy the army. We are grateful to the army. Their officers are also being trained. The army's help was also obtained to keep a watch on ballot papers," he said.

He said it is for the first time in Pakistan that ballot papers with watermark will be used. This paper is imported from Europe which will ensure transparency of the election.

Yaqoob told the panel that the ballot papers have been completely delivered in Balochistan and Khyber-Pakhtunkwa (K-P). "Ballot papers in Punjab have been delivered to 22 districts and to eight districts of Sindh," he added.

He said the result management The ECP Secretary Babar Yaqoob System and transmission system also briefed the Senate body over have also been improved with

special software with three ways mechanism for the results transmission. "Around 200 foreign observers have reached Pakistan to monitor the election and the ECP is fully cooperating and facilitating them."

To query about allotment of the symbol of 'Jeep" to various candidates, he said the district returning officers are independent and they have got the authority to allot an available symbol to a candidate on the request. However, he denied allotting symbol of 'grave' to any candidate.

Responding to another query about his assessment on expected turnout in the forthcoming election, he said prediction in this con-text is too difficult a job. However, he was sure that this time the turnover would surpass turnovers of previous general elections.

Threats to candidates The National Counter Terrorism Authority (Nacta) National

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Coordinator Dr Suleman Khan a possible threat alert from the briefed the panel on possible MQM-London. "There are some threats to various political parties threat alerts which are specific and candidates during their election campaigns and on polling-day. He said there are 65 threat alerts for various politicians across the country and most of the threats alerts are from across the border.

He said the perception that the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TIP) had weakened after death of its chief Mullah Fazalullah has proved wrong at a time when the elections are commencing and the environment is highly charged.

"Threats have been received regarding almost every political party including PII, PPP, Tehreeke-Allah o Akbar and others. There are parties which have more threat alerts and there are some which are facing fewer. These threat alerts are mostly from banned outfits including TTP, Ahrar and Lashkar-e-Jhangvi."

He revealed that there is also

threat alerts which are specific and there are others which are of general nature," he added.

He said two or three terrorists groups execute a terrorist activity while one of them claims the responsibility. He said commanders of these groups are stationed in Afghanistan.

To question as to what to do in case of receiving threat alert, he said public gathering in such cases should be held in closed premises. Talking about killing of the ANP candidate Haroon Bilour, he said there was no threat alert about him while there were many with regard to the ANP as party.

Malik advised Nacta to formulate new SOPs for peaceful elections accordingly the threats and as advised by the committee in its earlier meetings. He expressed concern that LeJ and the TIP are emerging in the shape of Da'ish. "I had said in 2014 that Da'ish exists in Pakistan but no action was taken then," he said.

Blour killing

Another senior police official from the K-P informed the panel that Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) of the KP police is conducting investigation into killing of ANP leader Haroon Bilour.

The AIC of KP police revealed that the main culprir involved in the tragedy had been nabbed from Hangu. "There was no threat alert regarding Haroon Bilour, A joint investigation team (JTT) has been formed in this case besides geofencing," he added.

The special meeting of Senate Standing Committee on Interior was attended by its members in-cluding Malik, Rana Maqbool Ahmed, Javed Abbasi, Kulsoom Perveen and Ateeq Shaikh. The special invitees included Saadia Abbasi, Najma Hameed, Muhammad Ali Khan Saif and Sitara Ayaz.

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Conduct of elections

Troops have no direct role, says ISPR

ISLAMABAD. Armed ballot boxes," he said.

Ghafoor said this is not for the first time that armed forces have no direct role in the conduct of general elections to be held on July 25 but troops would be deployed to improve the security situation on the instructions of Election Commission of Pakistan (BCP), said Director General of Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) Major General Asif Ghafoor on Thursday.

portation of ballot papers and ballot boxes, "he said.

Ghafoor said this is not for the first time that armed forces have been called in aid of civil forces but they have always lent support to civil institutions. "There were some rumors that army personnel had been issued different orders; this is completely base-less," he made it clear.

Ghafoor on Thursday.

He said that in 1997 general

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Ghafoor on Thursday. He said that in 1997 general Gen Ghafoor while briefing election, 192,000 troops had the Senate Standing Committee been delegated on duty to over-on Interior presided over by see 25,000 polling stations. In Senator Rehman Malik regard-the general elections of 2002, ing security arrangements durthe army deployed less than ing elections, said that armed 35,000 troops for 64,470 forces have no direct responsi-bility in the conduct of elec-ECP only tasked the army with

tions but they would assist ECP overall security, he said.

Likewise, in the 2008 generative deployed at 64,100 polling stations were deployed at 64,100 polling stations with the said there are fell time while in 2013 election. armed forces and they are fol- tions while in 2013 election, lowing it, "The main responsi- 75,000 troops had been hility of armed forces is to deployed on 70,185 polling ensure security environment all stations. In the 2018 elections,

> from page 1 right to vote at 85,307 polling stations, hosted inside 48,500 buildings and a total of 371,388

troops will be deployed for election duty. When he was asked by PML-N Senator Kulsoom Parveen to disclose the number of troops being deployed in Balochistan, the DG ISPR said, "Leave the planning to us as we conducted comprehensive assessment as to how many troops to be deployed where. We have analyzed every place from a secu-rity point of view. We have made deployments as per the need in Balochistan."

To another question about the security of senior politicians, Gen Ghafoor made it clear that the army is not taking direct responsibility of security of anybody. "Army's role to provide security for election does not mean that It would also take direct responsibility of security of any politician," he said. He said the security of candidates is the responsibility of the government. "We are assisting the Election Commission for security during polling," he said.

To a question about coordination with Afghanistan, he said that Pakistan has been said that Pakistan has been assured of reciprocal support from the Afghan side on the security front. "When the elections took place in Afghanistan, we took extraordinary measures on this side of the border. This time, the Afghan president phoned the Prime Minister and the Army Chief to assure us of their cooperation," he said.

Sceretary ECP Babar Yaqoob Fatch Muhammad

Yaqoob Fatch Muhammad speaking on the occasion said that a total of 820.853 security personnel including those of Pakistan Army and police and 700,000 ECP staff will perform

their duties on the occasion. He said that for the first time Computerized Election Rolls
System (CERS) is fully operational with GIS enabled polling
schemes, through which each
voter can have a look at his
polling station on his computer,
while results management system is fully operational and results transmission system will be used for early results.

The secretary ECP said that watermarked ballot papers have been imported from the UK and France for election and comprehensive monitoring

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mechanism is in place. The ECP owns safe rooms for preservation of the sensitive polling record and CCTV cam-eras will be installed in each booth of every highly sensitive poling station, he said

Out of total 105.95 million registered voters, 4,299,494 are in Balochistan, 15,316,299 in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, 60,672,868 in Punjab, 22,391,244 in Sindh, 2,510,150 in Punjab. in FATA and 765,348 are in federal capital, he said, adding that out of total 85,307 polling stations, 20,789 are sensitive

He denied that army personnel would have a free hand at polling stations. "A perception has been given that the army personnel would have a free role this is totally wrong," he said. "The army personnel will work as per the code of conduct of ECP," he added, assuring that only ECP will conduct

He said that army personnel will inform the concerned presiding officers and returning officers if they come anyone attempts to fill ballot boxes.

Senator Javed Abbasi asked whether army is deployed loside and outside the polling stations in other countries as well. To this, the secretary ECP said the decision to deploy troops in and outside polling station was taken in the light of the security situation of the country and the threats coming to the polling stations in accor-dance with National Counter Terrorism Authority (NACTA).

To a question that letters have been written to some returning officers by the personnel of secret agencies to brief them, the secretary ECP admitted that such matter has been reported from Kasur and Khyber Pakhutunwa and ECP has taken its notice as well as asked concerned authority to stop it. He also said that ECP has written a letter to National

Accountability Bureau (NAB) on the complaint of PML-N.

To a question about allot-

ment of 'jeep' symbol to the candidates, he said that under the law allotment of electoral symbol is the responsibility of returning officers and they are

totally independent.

To another question about printing of ballot papers, he said that law does not allow printing of additional ballot

NACTA chief Dr Salman while briefing the committee said that from March onward, the authority has received 65 threat alerts regarding senior politicians of all political parties. However, he said that most of threat alerts are general

while some are specific.

He said that most of terror threats have been received from Tehreek-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), Lashkar-e-Jhangvi, Jamaat-ul-Ahrar, Daish and

MQM London.
"Mufti Noor Wali Mehsud has been appointed as new chief of TTP after killing of Mullah Fazlullah. Noor Wali is more powerful and influential; therefore, he would play his role in regrouping of disgrun-tled groups of Taliban, he

In response to a question, he said that there was no specific threat to ANP leader Haroon. Bilour who was martyred in a terrorist attack in Peshawar while BAP leader Siraj Raisani was martyred in Mastung attack.

A senior official of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa police told the committee that there was no specific threat to Haroon Bilour. Police have arrested the facilitator of the terror attack from Hangu, he added.

Rehman Malik advised NACTA to formulate new SOPs for peaceful election keeping the threats and earlier advices of this committee in view. He expressed that Lel and TTP are emerging in a new shape of Daish about which he had disclosed back in 2014 that Daish exists in Pakistan but no action was taken then.

A senior official of Balochistan police said that the suicide bomber behind the horrific Mastung attack has been identified as Hafiz Nawaz, a resident of Abbottabad. The suicide bomber had traveled from Abbottabad to Sindh where he linked up with Daesh. "The facilitators of the attack have also been detected," he said

Inspector General of Islamabad Police, Jan Muhammad said that so far a total of 68 threat alerts have been received and the most specific threat among these is against PTI chief Imran Khan and PML-N senior leader and former Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi.

The committee condemned the recent terror attacks in

Pesahwar, Mastung and Bannu. Rehman Malik asked the chairman PEMRA Saleem Baig about the measures the PEMRA has taken so far to block the derogatory advertise-ments containing foul and humiliating language against opponent political parties.

The chairman PEMRA said

The chairman PIMKA said that actions in this regard have been taken and ads with derogatory remarks and foul language have been blocked.

Malik directed the chairman PEMRA to direct all TV channels to dedicate specific time

and space for public awareness messages on election so that public can be motivated and mobilized to cast vote

Senator Malik said he and the committee members salute the people of Khyber Pakhunkhwa and Balochistan for their countless sacrifices against war on terror. He said, "My heart goes out to the victim families of terrorism and I strongly recommend that compensation pack-age should be fixed equal to the victims of all provinces.

The meeting was also attended by secretary Ministry of Interior Yousaf Naseem Khokhar, Chairman Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (PEMRA) Saleem Baig, Chairman National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) Usman Yousaf Mubeen and represen-

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Forces to assist ECP within bounds of given mandate: Gen Bajwa

der situation in the run up to the general elections on the instructions of Election Commission of Pakistan, DG ISPR Major General Abdul Ghafoor informed Senate Committee on Thursday, that the troops have no direct role in the elections rather the troops are librarie to follow the electoral body's code of conduct.

He said, Army does not all the police's abilities improve, we will also have to do police duty,' he said.

ECP. Secretary Babar Maqoob also briefed the Senate body over the army's electory.

ZAHID CHAUDHARY

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Pakistan Army is engaged in improving overall law and oring of politicians. The army der situation in the run up to bility for the security of any politician," he said. "We are assisting the election commission for security during polling," he added.

Bajwa visited the Elections Support Center set up in Rawalpindi where he stated in categorical terms that the army shall assist BCP strictly within the bounds of given mandate and as per the ECP code of conduct.

The Army chief directed

The Army chief directed that all efforts be put in to ensure secure and safe environment enabling people of Pakistan to freely exercise their democratic right.

Meanwhile, the top leadership of all political parties in Pakistan is facing threat, said Dr Suleman, chief of National Counter Terrorism Authority (NACTA).

Briefing the Senate's Standing Committee on Interior, NACTA Chief said, "Leadership of all political parties is facing threat. We

parties is facing threat. We have received 65 threat alerts most from Tehreek-e-Taliban

Pakistan."

Banned Jamaat-ul-Ahrar and Daesh have also issued .
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Dr Suleman advised intel-

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By Abdullah Malik in Swat

HE electoral race in Swat district has gained prominence because of the PML-N's decision to field its president Shehbaz Sharif from NA 3 (Old NA29) against former MNA from the area. PTI's Saleem Rehman.

Other candidates in the constituency are ANP's Abdul Karim, and PPP's Shahryar Amirzeb, and Maulana Hujjatullah was carlier a candidate of the MMA but he is now contesting as an independent after rifts emerged over IUI-F chief Maulana Fazlur Rehman's decision to support Sharif for the seat. Hujjatullah HE electoral race in Swat district

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ل قرجادید باجوه کومینٹوش برمافنگ فرقی افسران پریذائیڈنگ افسروں کے ماتحت کام کریں گے بیکریٹری کیشن اب تک 65ریڈالرٹ ملے برتمام بڑے لیڈرول کوخطرہ ہے ، پہ

اداروں کی ہمیشہ حمایت کی ، جوانوں کو مخصوص احکامات نہیں دیئے ، ہر جگہ کا تجزید کیا ہے بیا ننگ ہم پر چیوڑ دیں، جب تک پولیس کی تعداد نہیں بڑھتی ہمیں وہ ڈیوٹی بھی دین ہے، ڈی ج

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لاے، بات کا مالد ہم رچوزیں، ہمل بد ب س جرکتے بدے تھات رے ہیں، او جان می مرورت كم مطابق تعينال ك بيد أنده في الح ك C. BY WELLOW SIEZZ

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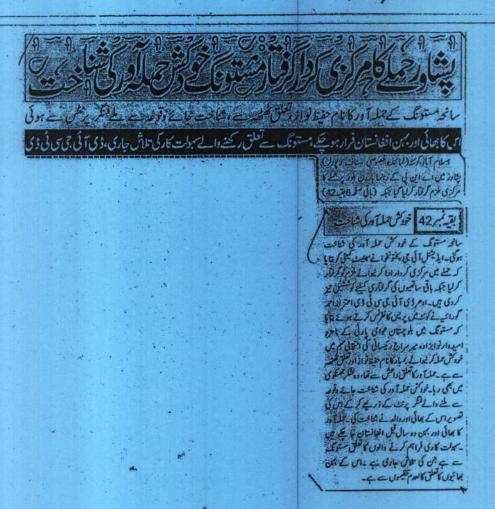
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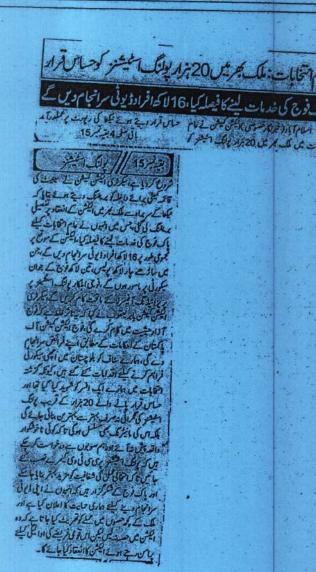
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PRESS CLIPPINGS / MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24TH JULY, 2018

ON THE AGENDA ITEM:

"Briefing by the FIA on the action to be taken on spreading disinformation, derogatory remarks against the Institutions, Political Parties, Individuals and the complaints received under Cyber Crimes Act:-

(This point was raised by Honourable Senator Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh in the meeting of the Committee held on 19th July, 2018 that some elements are going scot-free and there is no proper deterrence against those who are involved in the negative/immoral use of the Social Media)"

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Senate Standing Committee on Interior condemns Gandapur and Kalhoro's killing

The meeting was held with Senator Abdur Rahman Malik in the chair and was attended among others by Senators Mian Ateeg Sheikh, Talha Mahmood and Kalsoom Parveen

ISLAMABAD: Senate Standing Committee on Interior has expressed a sense of deep sorrow on the death of Pakistan Tehreek is Insaf candidate. Kramullah Gandapur and Pakistan People's Party worker Yasir Kalhoro and has prayed for them to be blessed with highest ranks in Januali. In its meeting, the committee asked the Ministry of Interior to submit a report about both

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The meeting was held with Senator Abdur Rahman Malik in the chair and was attended among others by Senators Mian Ateeq Sheikh, Talha Mahmood, Kalsoom Parveen and officials from ministry of Interior and Federal Investigation Agency (FIA).

The Commutee chairman observed that it was a collective wish of every Paristant that the election process and the environment across the country during this time stays peaceful but unfortunately, anti-state agents are active again and a big number of precious lives are lost.

Taking serious notice of social media being used for propaganda against individuals and against collective issues, the committee held a detailed briefing by FIA Cyber Crimes director on spreading of objectionable and defaming content on social media. on social media.

not in favour of baseless limitations on its use but the use has to be regulated in such a manner that it doesn't hurt others through misuse and doesn't do harm to anyone's respect in the society. The committee also stressed that those who are spreading propaganda against the state and are using the platform to harm their opponents should be taken to task.

Talka Mahmood asked FIA officials as to what action is faken and under what laws against hose who misuse the social media platforms. The committee was told that under the 2016 act a case is todged and challan is to be submitted in our and the person found gully can be punished for a time period of three to seven years. A total of 550 FIRs have been lodged during the last two years. The committee also took notice of false accusations against Mahmood on social media by some individual and asked FIA to probe into the matter, with

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By Ijaz Kakakhel

ISLAMABAD: A legislative body of Upper House of parliament was Tuesday told that a lotal of 550 first information reports (PIRs) had been lodged against misuse of social media during the last

The information was shared during a meeting of Sennte's Standing Committee on Interior held at the Parliament House, with Senator Rehman Malik in the chair

During the course of the meeting, lawmakers noted that there was a dire

whiched for a time pelod of life to seven years.

"None of his is in tayour of curtalling the use of social media but this liberty should not be used as a pretex to hurt others, said Malik adding that those who were spreading propaganda against the state and were using the platform to harm their appounds should be taken to task.

Senator Malik directed the Pakistan Telecommunication authority (PIA) to

coordinate afforts for curbing disturbination and derogalory aemarks on Social media. He said that a focal person a not less than the rank of Assistant directoreach from the Federal Investigation. Agency (FIA) and the PTA be deputed at FIA Cyber Crime Wing for better courdination against cybercrimes. He said that an advertisement should be afred on all television channels, warning pasers against spreading hate and alpraire materials on social

The chairman further directed to TA and the FIA proceed with the cases in which social media users were not concealing and hold a joint meeting to iscuss and solve the legal matters for

Arrefung the committee, the FIA Cyber Crime Cell director said that the person, who unleaded the picture of the grave as a symbol of a candidate on their had been identified as Zia-Ur-Kehman and that the FIA had sought details of the IP address from Twitter to it was shared that the FIA had also

written to a private newspaper seeking information about the pictures of an animal used to humiliate a political leader but so far FIA had received no reply.

media and appealed to the people to report disinformation, derogatory remarks, humiliation and blasphomy materials on social media to the PTA.

The committee tasked the UAE ambassador of Pakistan to garner the information about mechanism adopted by UAE for social media regulation and share it with the referenmentation authority.

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Senate wants action against social media exploiters

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wrong propaganda, mis-lead nation and use abusive language against the

and gained importance worldwide.

The meeting was also Senate Standing Committee on Interior Tuesday discussing a cluding Attique Sheikh, rected Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) to take Kulsoom Parveen, and offaction against those who ficials of Ministry of Interexploit social media for gior and FIA. The meeting wrong propagands miss was briefed on measures. was briefed on measures against spreading objectionable content on social

opponents.

Chairing a meeting Rehman Malik said, here, Senator Rehman "We are not in favour of Malik said social media has restricting any media inpecome a necessity of time cluding social media and swill not let any one to do so. Our reservations are on wrongly usage of so-

cial media." No one should be allowed to insult someone, he said and added constitution and law of land allow freedom.

of expression. Rehman Malik asked the nation, particularly the youth to positively use so-cial media. The Committee observed that a character assassination of Senator Talha Mahmood on social media has badly affected his reputation. The campaign against the Senator. Talha was totally wrong and those responsible for this negative activity should be taken to task.

The Committee acknowledged Senator Talha Mahmood and his social welfare activities. The Committee emphasized that negative campaign against any personality or the country should be reported to Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA). The Committee also directed that social media needs to be regulated un- Ministry of Interior to su der the law, Moreover, the mit report of both the inc Committee was informed that political personalities like Shehla Raza and Aisha Gulatai were defamed through fake social media accounts.

At the outset, th Committee condemned re cent incidents of terrorish in the country and praye for those who got martyre including leader of Pak stan Tehreek-Insaf (PTI Ikramullah Gandapu worker of Pakistan People Party (PPP), Yasir Kalhor and others.

Ministry of Interior to su dents to the Committee

for peaceful election of July 25 (Wednesday) : that people could decide their better future.

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ON THE AGENDA ITEM:

"Discussion on the complaints and reservations expressed by the Political Parties, Media and General Public on the conduct of General Elections, 2018".

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Stamped ballot papers on roadside

Rehman Malik seeks report form IGPs, home secretaries

Standing Committee on Interior of ballot papers found in such Senator Abdul Rehman Malik public places

"These lose official ballot pa- of August, 2018 as the Commit-pers were also found outside the will look into the matter in the polling stations in other its meeting scheduled to be cities of the country as well, "he held on 27th August, 2018.

Rehman Malik directed that in the meantime the matter may

ter that it is a matter of grave be examined by the secretary by the ECP.

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Our correspondent eral elections, 2018 and apparently, it looks that there is no justification of the said bunch

Senator Abdul Rehman Malik and Coordinator nominated by the Senate House to monitor security of General Elections, 2018 has written a letter to all inspectors general police (IGPs) and home-secretaries to submit a comprehensive report on the stamped ballot papers of general elections, 2018 found on road sides, dust bins, drains and various class rooms.

In the letter, Rehman Malik writes, "It has been noted with grave concern in the media and by the general public that a large number of official ballot papers, duly stamped on election symbols of various political parties, which have been spot-

parties, which have been spotted along road sides, dust bins and in some class rooms which were earlier used by the election staff at polling stations.

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Rehman Malik asks IGPs, home secretaries to submit report

Stamped ballot papers recovered from roadsides, dustbins, drains and classrooms

By Our Staff Reporter

ISLAMABAD: Senate-nominated coordinator for monitoring security of the July 25 elections Rehman Malik has written a letter to all inspectors general of police (IGPs) and home secretaries to submit a comprehensive report on the incidents of recovery of stamped ballot papers from roadsides, dustbins, drains and classrooms from various parts of the

country after the elections.
"It has been noted with grave concern in the media and by the general public that a large number of official ballot papers, duly stamped on elec-tion symbols of various political par-ties have been spotted along road-sides, dustbins and in some classrooms which were earlier used by the

election staff at polling stations in different cities of the country," writes Mr Malik in his letter.

Mr Malik writes that the official documents/ballot papers were meant to be in the safe custody and possession of the ECP staff and other government departments concerned but ernment departments concerned, but they have not been able to safeguard the ballor papers as per standard operating procedures issued by the Election Commission of Pakistan.

The letter states that this situation has raised serious questions on the general elections and apparently, it looks that there is no justification of the said bunch of ballot papers found

in such public places.
"This shows an alleged irresponsi-ble attitude of the ECP staff and other concerned staff who have failed to perform their official obligations by allowing the ballot papers to go in the unauthorised hands," says Mr Malik, who is also the chairman of the Senate Standing Committee on

He directed all IGPs and home secretaries "to submit a comprehensive and consolidated report on the recovery of stamped ballot papers in their respective jurisdictions and report on the above lines if they were stolen or it was an effort to make the general elections disputed or some other

Senator Malik wants the report to be submitted by Aug 20 as the committee is scheduled to meet on

He has also directed the federal law secretary to examine and propose some additional legal course of action, including criminal negli-gence, against those who failed to pro-tect the official documents/state

property.
Mr Malik also wants the ECP secretary to look into these "unusual recoveries of ballot papers" which

were the sole property of the commission.

"It will be highly appreciated, if the ECP's own report on these discoveries be sent to the committee for submission to the upper house of parliament," Mr Malik says in the letter.

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Senate committee

Panel seeks repo trashed'ballot

Several stamped votes were found dumped on roadsides, dustbins across cities

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The chairman of Standing Committee on Interior of the Senate has sought a comprehensive report from provincial authorities over discovery of stamped ballot papers which were reportedly found in nuelections.

Senator Rehman Malik, the chairman of Senate panel on Interior has written a letter to all Inspector General Police (IGPs) and home secretaries to submit an inclusive report on the stamped ballot papers found on roadsides, dustbins, drains and classrooms, post general elections, 2018.

In the letter, Senator Malik writes "it has been noted with grave concern in the media and by the general public that

a large number of official ballot. It is stated in the letter papers, duly stamped on election symbols of various political parties, which have been sported along roadsides, dustbins and in some classrooms which were earlier used as polling stations. These official ballot papers were also found outside merous places after the general the polling stations in several cities as well."

It is further stated in the letter that it is a matter of grave national concern that the official ballot papers which were meant to be in the safe custody of the staff of ECP, have not been able. to safeguard the ballot papers as per SOPs issued by the ECP.

He writes that this situation has raised serious questions on the July 25 polls and seemingly. there is no justification of the said bunch of ballot papers

that the official ballot papers which were meant to be in the safe custody of the staff of ECP, have not been able to safeguard. the ballot papers

says "This shows the alleged irresponsible attitude of the ECP staff who failed to perform their official obligations allowing ballot papers to go in unauthorised

All IGPs and home secretaries are therefore directed to submit a comprehensive and consolidated report on the recovery of such stamped ballot papers in their respective jurisdictions and report on the above lines if they were stolen or it was found in such public places. He an effort to make the elections

disputed."

Malik has also directed the home secretaries to collect requisite information in the form of a fully consolidated report and send it to the committee by Aug 20, as the committee will look into the matter in its meeting scheduled for Aug 27.

Meanwhile, it is directed that

the matter may also be examined by the secretary law division and propose some additional legal course of action including criminal negligence against those who failed to protect the official documents and state property.

The panel has also asked secretary of interior to ensure the desired report is submitted by the due date and the secretary, ECP to look into these unusual recoveries of ballot papers which were the sole property of the ECP.

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Stamped ballot papers recovery

Senate body seeks explanations from ECP

STAFF REPORTER

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The Senate's Standing Committee on Interior has sought explanations from the Election Commission of Pakistan, provincial secretaries and inspector generals of police over the recovery of stamped ballot papers following the general election last month.

A letter, dated August 6, has been sent to the Ministry of Interior, the Ministry of Law and Justice, the ECP and all provincial and capital city home secretaries and inspec-tor generals, seeking their response on media reports detailing the recovery of ballot pa-

The letter was dispatched on the orders of Rehman Malik, the chairman of the said standing committee.

The letter observes that it was a matter of grave "national concern that the official documents/ ballot papers which were meant to be in the safe custody, possession of the staff of the ECP/ concerned government departments" were found at public places.

"All IGPs and home sec-

retaries are directed to submit a comprehensive and consolidated report on the recovery of

pers from garbage dumps and a school, which was a designated polling station during the report on the above lines if they were stolen or if it was an effort to make the General Elections, 2018 disputed," the document adds.

Malik directed the home

secretaries to collect the reguisite information and submit it to the committee by August 20. The committee also asked the law ministry to examine the matter and propose an additional course of action against those who failed to protect the official documents and property.

The committee has convened a meeting for August 27 to further discuss the matter.

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"TORS / GUIDELINES" FOR ECP

The Committee has proposed following guidelines / TORs to the Election Commission of Pakistan for conducting inquiry into the irregularities reported in General Elections, 2018 in a consolidated form, as under:

TORs proposed vide letter dated 26th July, 2018:

- i. The cause of the delay in elections results.
- ii. The failure of Result Transmission System (RTS), which reportedly remained out of order for a considerable time creating doubts in the minds of the public.
- iii. Was there any guarantee given by the Service Provider for accurate functioning of the RTS/RMS Systems?
- iv. Has the technical team, the service provider and the I.T. Department of the ECP evaluated or detected any hacking or virus attempt on the RTS/RMS Systems?
- v. Is the responsibility being fixed against those who were responsible for uninterrupted, non-stopped and smooth functioning of the RTS/RMS Systems?
- vi. How many incidents were reported to ECP regarding non-provision of Form-45 to the polling agents as agitated almost by all Political Parties.
- vii. How many cases were reported regarding ousting of the Polling Agents from the Polling Stations during counting of the votes and what is Elections Code of Conduct?
- viii. The failure of communication of results in the given mandated time as earlier announced by the ECP.
 - ix. Discovery of stamped ballot Papers from dustbins, road-sides and other public places.
 - x. Role of NADRA as service provider of RTS any malfunctioning by NADRA.

"TORS / GUIDELINES" FOR ECP

TORs Proposed by the Committee vide its letter Dated: 25-08-2018:

- 1) What was the cut off time for the Presiding Officers (POs) to communicate the results through RTS?
- 2) What action has been taken against those President Officers who failed to communicate the results to ROs as per the SOPs/Code of Conduct of ECP?
- 3) How many Presiding Officers failed to comply with the instructions issued by the ECP by not sending results through RTS?
- 4) According to the reported submitted by NADRA, the RTS system neither stopped nor got slowdown, if system got slowdown then what immediate measures were taken by ECP with NADRA about it?
- 5) What was the role of UNDP and how did UNDP provide assistance in this matter, whereas, Kualitatem Inc. is a private I.T. Company of USA which issued security clearance certificate to UNDP for their product of RMS? Whereas the security clearance was actually the duty of Ministry of Interior/Intelligence Agency, and not the duty of any private I.T. Company.
- 6) Was any payment received from UNDP, how much payment was received and how was it utilized?
- 7) Was NADRA paid this amount directly, if so, was it out of the already sanctioned amount?

TORS / INQUIRY GUIDELINES SENT BY ECP TO CABINET DIVISION VIDE THEIR LETTER DATED 2ND AUGUST, 2018

TORS FOR CONSTITUTION OF TECHNICAL EXPERTS COMMITTEE

- i. Analyse the concept of TRS in terms of its implemnetability.
- ii. Analyse the project of RTS as envisages by the ECP.
- iii. Analyse preparation and finalization of RTS project by National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA).
- iv. Analyse quality and extent of training imparted to various users under the project.
- v. Analyse the train of events taking place on the night of 25th July, 2018 and thereafter.
- vi. For responsibility of the responsible in terms of all the above and
- vii. Make recommendations for future course of action.

TORS / GUIDELINES FOR NADRA

The Committee has proposed following guidelines / TORs to NADRA for conducting inquiry into the irregularities reported in General Elections, 2018 in a consolidated form, as under: TORs Proposed by the Committee vide its letter Dated: 13-08-2018:

PART-I

- i. Whether RTS was being controlled by ECP or NADRA Headquarters?
- ii. Whether the RTS Software was developed by NADRA itself or it was outsourced? If so please provide the names, details of the Contractor/Company and copy of the agreement of outsourcing the Software/App between NADRA and the Contractor.
- iii. The Committee was informed by NADRA in the meeting that the RTS system got slow down on the Elections day. Please provide the details of cause of slowdown of system as to how and when the RTS went slow (the exact time/cause)?
- iv. Was there was any backup system in place, if not why?
- v. What impact emerged on the elections result due to RTS failure?
- vi. Was the Election Commission of Pakistan taken into confidence about the slowing down of RTS and what measures were taken to restore the system?
- vii. Was there any hacking reported or detected during the slowdown of the system.

PART-II

- Under what authority PTCL was hired as internet service provider? Copy
 of the agreement between NADRA and PTCL.
- ii. What was the agreement between PTCL and NADRA and how much payment has been made to PTCL for providing internet service.
- Who was the Project Director, NADRA responsible for RTS and who was the Project Director, PTCL. Their full credentials and how many shifts were deployed to supervise the RTS.
- iv. Was there any chance of hacking of PTCL/Internet service.
- V. Were the PTCL services hired under PPRA Rules or the permission was taken from the Board of Governors (BoG), NADRA before signing the agreement between PTCL and NADRA.

REMINDER TORS/GUIDELINES FOR NADRA

TORs Proposed by the Committee vide its letter Dated: 18-08-2018:

- i. Provide a copy of the contract signed between NADRA and ECP on RTS System.
- ii. Who designed RTS App?
- iii. What was the security of the RTS Apps?
- iv. Who was the Project Director and Members of the Technical team?
- v. System adopted for collection of DATA from NADRA to ECP.
- vi. Record of the receipts of results.
- vii. Process of procurement of internet service providers and bandwidth.
- viii. Details of the technical audit, RTS functioning on the Elections Day.

TORS / GUIDELINES FOR NADRA

TORs Proposed by the Committee vide its letter Dated: 25-08-2018:

- 1) Name of technical team that designed the RTS.
- 2) The detail of the agreement between Nayatel and NADRA.
- 3) Was the requisite formalities completed to award contract of the Internet to Nayatel, if so provide complete procedure followed.
- 4) The data provided by NADRA shows that first message related to Form-45/Result was received at 1800 hrs. and it continued to increase to maximum level at 2300 hrs. However, the volume of messages started to drop at 01:00 am on 26-07-2018.
- 5) What action NADRA has taken when incoming results through RTS drastically reduced.
- 6) Did NADRA contact Election Commission of Pakistan or its Staff country-wide to know the reasons of drastic reduction in the incoming results.
- 7) What were the means of communication by NADRA Staff from Polling Stations to NADRA HQs, whereas, it was ordered to stop results through RTS to NADRA.
- 8) What is the explanation of NADRA staff posted at Polling Stations about the blockage of messages.
- 9) Did NADRA issued such instructions, if so please inform the reason as why NADRA ordered to block the RTS.
- 10) Why the bulk of results were stopped after 2300 hrs. on 25th July, 2018.
- 11) NADRA Forensic audit report does not cover the issue of drastic reduction in the incoming RTS messages.
- 12) NADRA has not even given details of security code in the system and the security code between NADRA and Nayatel.
- 13) How many times the Staff of UNDP or any other foreign or local entity visited the NADRA HQs, if so in what connection and whose permission.
- 14) Was there any offer from UNDP or any other foreign or local entity which offered technical assistance for General Elections, 2018 or any time visited NADRA office.