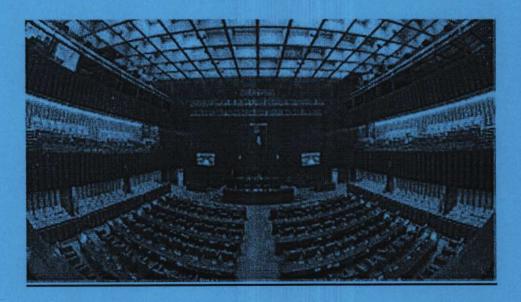
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THIRD REPORT

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

(PART-II)



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General Elections, 2018

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SECOND REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE (VOL-II) PRESENTED IN THE HOUSE ON 27TH AUGUST, 2018

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:-

- i. 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.)

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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):

- 1) 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.
- 2) 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.

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<u>'BRIEF SUMMARY'</u> 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 Yaqoob 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.

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SECURITY AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR GENERAL ELECTIONS 2018

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BABAR YAQOOB FATEH MUHAMMAD

Secretary ECP



CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS



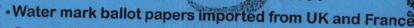
- Article 218.— It shall be the duty of the Election Commission to organize and conduct the election and to make such arrangements as are necessary to ensure that the election is conducted honestly, justly, fairly and in accordance with law, and that corrupt practices are guarded against.
- •Article 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?



- · Comprehensive trainings for DROs/ROs
- Two days dedicated training to each presiding officer and his senior Assistant Presiding Officer.
- · A comprehensive monitoring mechanism in place
- ECP's own strong rooms for preservation of the sensitive polling records
- 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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Balochistan	A PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF THE	16	51
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa		39	99
Punjab	HEAD IN A PLANT	141	207
Sindh	The state of the s	61	130
FATA		12	The state of
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REGISTERED VOTERS



Province / Area	Male	Female	Total
Balochistan 162	2,486 230	1 8 13 264	4,299,494
KP	87,705,831	6,610,468	15,316,299
Punjab	33,679,992	26,992,876	60,672,868
Sindh —	12,436,844	9,954,400	22,391,244
FATA	1,507,902	1,002,252	2,510,154
Federal Capital	407,463	357,885	765,348
Grand Total	59,224,262	46,731,145	105,955,407
In Millions	59.22 Million	46.73 Million	105.95 Million

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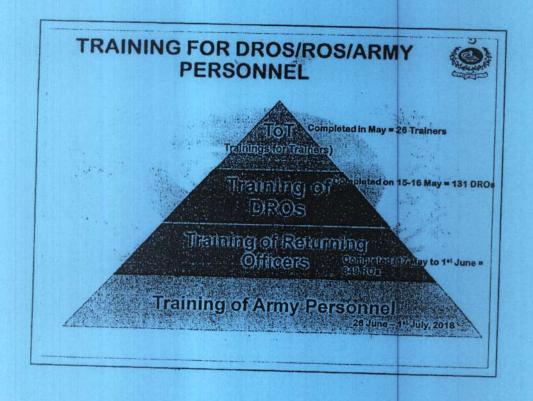


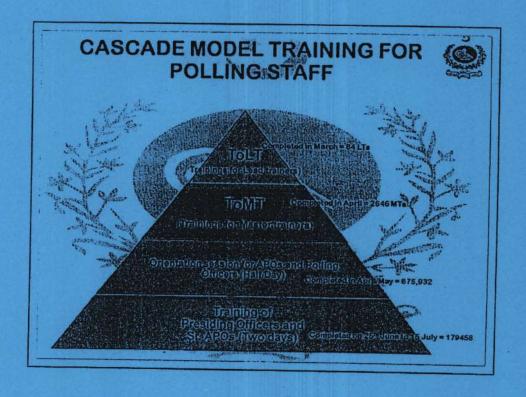
Province / Area	DROs National Assembly		Provincial Assembly		
		ROs	AROS	ROs	AROS
Balochistan	34	16	88.	51	88
KP	25	39	78	99	198
Punjab	36	141	282	297	594
Sindh	27	61 mg	122	130	260
FATA	8	12	24		
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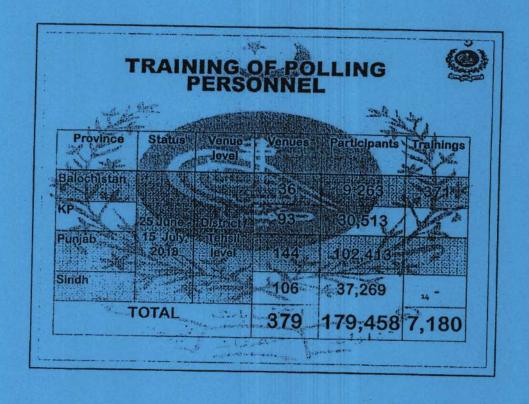
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Province / Area	Presiding Officers	Assistant Presiding Officers	Polling Officers
Balochistan	4,420	23,398	11,699
FATAS)	14,530	83,692	41,846
Punjab incl.	48,610	281,062	140,531
Sindh	17,747	122,204	61,102
Total	85,307	510,356	255,178

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Province / Are	a National Assemb	ly Provincial Assembly
Balochistan	303	1,007
KP.	760	1,264
Punjab	1,696	4,242
Sindh	872	2,382
Total	3,631	8,895
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Total	Improvised	Combined	Female	Male	Province / Area
4,420	43	2,052	1,073	1,252	Balochistan
12,634		4,906	3,600	4,128	KP
47,813	727	21,746	12,716	13,351	Punjab
17,747	47° . Te	10,282	3,599	3,866	Sindh
1,736		934	347	455	FATA
160		136	12	12	FR
797	-	77	360	360	Federal Capital
85,307	43	40,133	21,707	23,424	Total







DELIVERY OF ELECTION MATERIAL



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 (TEB-II)	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 OF BALLOT PAPERS



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Printing Press	Province / Area	No. of Ballot Papers
Printing Corporation of Pakistan, Islamabad.	KP & FATA	30 Million
National Security Printing Company, Karachi.	Balochistan, Sindh, Punjab (Bahawaipur, Multan, Sahiwal, DG Khan, Sargodha Div.)	100 Million
Pakistan Post Foundation, Islamabad.	Federal Capital, Punjab (Rawalpindi, Gujranwala, Faisalabad, Lahore Div.)	70 Million

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PRINTING OF BALLOT PAPERS



- ·Balochistan = completely delivered
- KPK = Completely delivered.
- Punjab = 22 districts delivered
- ·Sindh = 8 districts delivered
- · About 60 constituencies are held due to Court cases
- · Held constituencies are being printed as soon as they are cleared.

ELECTION OBSERVERS



Fault.	Observers	Expected No.
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T	National/Local	45,000 50,000
1	Media	3,000

- In order to facilitate International Observers, a Coordination meeting between ECP, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Interior was held on 11-06-2018.
- · TORs have been finalized.

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SECURITY ISSUES

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 ECP survey was shared with the Chief Secretaries whereby the polling stations with missing facilities were identified as follows:

Province Punjab	No of polling stations with missing facilities
CHARLES THE	3688
KPK	570
Balochistan	576
ICT	4

MEETING WITH CHIEF SECRETARIES



- •CCTV 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 RECs/DECs/DROs/ROs

SECURITY MEETING



- o Election Commission convened a security meeting in ECP on 14th June, 2018
- The meeting was attended by:
 Secretary Ministry of Defence
 Secretary Ministry of Interior
 DG-Military Operations
 All Chief Secretaries
 - 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
- 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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With Regards!

(Rabar Vaquob Fatch Muhammad)

Mr. Akbar Hussala Durraut, Chief Socretary, Punjab.

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
 - · All Chief Ministers
 - Director Military operations
 - o All Chief secretaries
 - o 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
 - o Fool proof security arrangements shall be made for the security of polling staff.
 - o Provincial governments shall provide adequate security to political leaders in consultation with law enforcement agencies.

MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN NACTA



- o The Hon ble CEC convened a meeting with Chairman NACTA on 14-07-2018
- o Chairman NACTA assured the ECP of its fullest cooperation regarding sharing of information with the Election Commission on daily basis regarding any threat to contesting candidates / political leaders or rallies etc.

SENSITIVE PO	LLING STATI	ons 🥥
Province / Area	Sensitive Polling Stations	Polling Booths
Balochistan (1997)	1.768	21.158
Punjaba Sindh	5,776	19,387
Federal Capital Total	20,789	573

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



- 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

DEPLOYMENT OF POLICE FORCE IN GENERAL ELECTION 2018



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



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 / 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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CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SECURITY OFFICIALS



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

- not ask voters to produce "Perchees" or prove their identity as this is duty of polling officer;
- o not disallow any eligible voter to enter polling station;
- 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;
- 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 t 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 manner cause injury to any person or damage to any property.
- Public railies 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 level of PA constituency and monitoring corresponding NA constituency as well.
- In FATA / ICT 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.

Province/Area	No. of DMOs	No. of Monitoring	Remarks
Balochistan			As Per Provincial
KP	.527	99	Assembly Assembly
Runjab	A 555 C	2974	constituencies who
Sindh			National Assembly
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		TEAM	EDMOS/N		Continue
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IPURJA6		1340	7.72/6	28	100 000
Sindh \	3144	672	103	1	70,000
Balochistan	137	3	51 PC 2	44	3,000
Grand :	1109	2330	7404	43	218,000

		RETARIAT	
S. No.	Province	References for Comments / Inquiry	No. of explanation called
-2	KP	15157	22
3	Sindh	137	400000000000000000000000000000000000000
4	Balochistan	5	O O
	Grand Total	460	

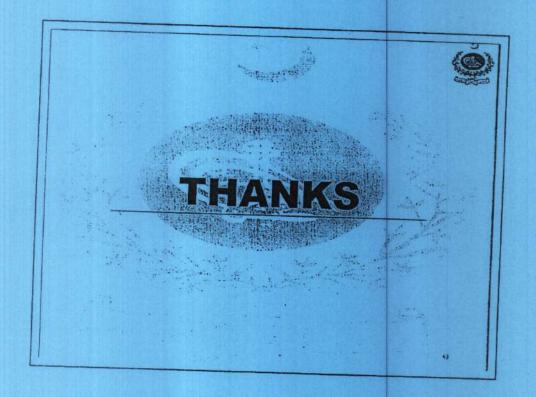
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S. No.	Province	No. of Strong Rooms	Fire Alarm & Fire Extinguisher	Lock	CCTV cameras installed
1	Punjab 8		Service Services		West.
2	KP	8	(Yes)	(Yes)	(Yes)
3	Sindh	6	(Yes)	(Yes)	(Yes)
4	Balochistan	6	(Yes)	(Yes)	(Yes)

SECURITY CHALLENGES / THREATS



- ·Separatists in Balochistan may sabotage the election process
- Religious extremists in Punjab may hamper smooth conduct of election
- MQM factional factor in Karachi
- · Terrorists attacks on political parties in KP
- •PTM movement in KP(FATA)





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.

- 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.
 - 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
ii.	Senator Kalsoom Parveen	Member
iii.	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi	Member
iv.	Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan	Member
٧.	Senator Muhammad Asad Ali Khan Junejo	Member
vi.	Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati	Member
vii.	Senator Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Member
viii.	Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel	Member
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.

- 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:
 - i. 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.
- 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.

25. Responding to questions of the Committee, the Chairman NADRA, informed that 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

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

i. Senator Javed Abbasi

ii. Senator Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh

iii. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Musakheil

Convener Member

Member

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.

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

(Tanvir Ahmed)
D.G. / Secretary Committee

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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:
 - i. 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: -

i.	Senator A. Rehman Malik	Chairman
ii.	Senator Kalsoom Parveen	Member
iii.	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi	Member
iv.	Senator Rana Magbool Ahmed	Member
V.	Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Member
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.

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 6. 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. Sadig 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 Malik 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.

- 11. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi stated that the arrest of political 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 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 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".
- 14. National Coordinator NACTA Dr. Suleman Khan briefed the committee 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.

15. Chairman Committee 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 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".

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

(Tanvir Ahmed)
D.G. / Secretary Committee

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	
ii.	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi	Chairmar
iii.	Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed	Member
iv.	Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Member
V.	Senator Kauda Babur	Member
	Tanda Dabat	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.
- Or. 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 R-ana 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.

- 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:-

- 1. 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.
- 2. 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.
- 3. 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 Pennra should telecast the public messages on the electronic media with regard to cyber crimes while the FfA 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.
- 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.

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D.G. / Secretary Committee

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

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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.
- 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 Ateeg 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.

- 2. 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.
- 6. 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.
- 7. 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)
Chairman
Standing Committee on Interior

(Tanvir Ahmed)
D.G. / Secretary Committee

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.
- 3. The following members attended the meeting: -

1.	Senai	tor A	bdul	Rehm	ian N	lalik

2. Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad

3. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi

4. Senator Kauda Babur

5. Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan

6. Senator Muhammad Asad Ali Khan Junejo

7. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati

8. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel

 Mrs. Kashmala Tariq , Federal Ombudsperson For Harassment of Women at Workplace

10. Minister for Interior

Chairman

Member

Member

Member

Member

Member Member

Member

Observer

Ex-Officio 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 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:

- 1) 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 Shaikh and Senator Momin Khan Afridi to make TORs for the purposed JIT. (copy of the TORs attached)
- 5) 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.
- 8) Chairman Committee asked NADRA to provide answers to the following questions to the committee before August 20, 2018.
- 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?
 - b) Whether it was possible for any presiding officer to change or temper the actual results due to failure of RTS?
 - c) When the App was being developed , was it technically tested to be compatible with different mobile phones?
 - d) Whether RTS was being controlled by ECP or NADRA?
 - e) Whether backend server was being operated by ECP or NADRA on the day of Election?
 - f) How many Form-45 were received from presiding officers on hourly basis on the day of Election?
 - g) How many Form-45 were relayed to ECP and R.O on hourly basis on the day of Election?
 - h) 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?
 - j) How ECP was authorized to invite only one company, NADRA , to award RTS contract?
 - k) Whether the RTS App was developed by NADRA itself or it was provided by NADRA?
- 12) The Chairman directed that the Home Secretary and I.G. Police of Gilgit Baltistan should present the report on burning of girls schools in Chilas in person in the next meeting of the Committee.
- 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.
- 14) 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.
- 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

(Senator A. Rehman Malik)

Chairman

Committee Standing Committee on Interior

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR, HELD ON 3rd SEPTEMBER, 2018 IN COMMITTEE ROOM NO. 2, PARLIAMENT HOUSE, ISLAMABAD.

A meeting of the Standing Committee on Interior was held on 3rd September, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in Committee room No. 2, Parliament House, Islamabad under the Chairmanship of Senator A. Rehman Malik.

- 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).
 - iii. Consideration of "The Islamabad Capital Territory Prohibition of Interest on Private Loans Bill, 2017", introduced by Senator Siraj-ul-Haq in the Senate Sitting held on 7th March, 2018.
 - iv. Consideration of "The Islamabad Pure Food Authority Bill, 2018", introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati in the Senate Sitting held on 14th May, 2018.
 - v. Briefing by the Chairman CDA/ MCI on the scarcity of drinking water in Sector I-10, Islamabad with reference to Petition No. 2300, submitted by a resident of the said sector.
 - vi. Any other item with permission of the Chair.
- 3. The following members attended the meeting: -

i.	Senator A. Rehman Malik
ii.	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi
iii.	Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed Khan
iv.	Senator Kauda Babar
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vi. Senator Muhammad Asad Ali Khan Junejo vii. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati

viii. Senator Haji Momin Khan Afridi ix. Senator Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh

x. Senator Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh
x. Senator Sardar Muhammad ShafiqTareen

xi. Minister of State for Interior xii. Senator Dr.Sikandar Mandhro

xiii. Senator Sitara Ayaz

xiv. Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi

xv. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed

xvi. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar

Chairman

Member Member

Member

Member Member

Member Member

Member

Ex-Officio Member

Observer Observer

Observer

Observer



- 4. The list of participants of the meeting is attached as Annexure-A.
- The meeting commenced with recitation from the Holy Quran. The Chairman 5. Committee expressed his felicitations to the new government, the Prime Minister and the Minister of State on Interior. He anticipated that the new government will strive for the betterment of the country with unity, consensus, and for the sake of national interest. He expressed his concern over the US sanctions imposed on Pakistan by Donald Trump, President of America, to stop Coalition Support Fund of \$300 billion. The Chairman Committee clarified that the Coalition Support Fund (CSF) is the amount of reimbursement payable to Pakistan incurred on War on Terror. He called it as an illogical act on the part of the President of America and demanded that the US Administration should review its decision. He stated that Pakistan has been paying a heavy price in terms of life and property in fight against terrorism since more than a decade. He stated that international community must recognize Pakistan's efforts and come forward for treating and helping Pakistan as a victim rather to victimize it. He stated that ,unfortunately, USA is playing in the hands of India while as a matter of fact the Indian Prime Narendra Modi is himself a terrorist being the member of a terrorist outfit - RSS which is a banned organization and responsible for the killings of Muslims in Kashmir and other parts of India. He also condemned France and the UK on supporting the decision of the said restrictions. The Chairman Committee also invited attention of Minister of State for Interior towards the issue of FATF. He anticipated its apprehensive threats that includes the effect on the economy of Pakistan and also directed the Ministry of Interior to inquire about the exact demands of FATF and present the stance of the government and the actions and measures being taken by the Government of Pakistan in this regard.

PART-I (LEGISLATION):

- A) Bill Introduced By Senator M. Azam Khan Swati:
- Azam Khan Swati was taken up by the Committee. The mover of the Bill informed the Committee regarding the reasons and objectives of the Bill. He explained the significance of the Halal food as well as the repercussions of other food products being sold in the market. He stated that the Bill has been drafted on the line of "The Punjab Food Authority Act, 2011", which is very comprehensive. The Bill has been referred to the Law Division where there is already a Bill on Food Security is lying pending for scrutiny. It has been decided in the Committee that said earlier Bill should be clubbed with the proposed Bill introduced by Senator Azam Khan Swati so that a comprehensive legislation may be made.



B) Bill Introduced By Senator Siraj-ul-Haq:

7. The agenda item pertaining to "The Islamabad Capital Territory Prohibition of Interest on Private Loans Bill, 2017", introduced by Senator Siraj-ul-Haq was taken up by the Committee. However, the Bill was deferred as the mover was not present in the meeting.

PART - II (PUBLIC PEITION REFERRED BY THE HOUSE):-

8. The Petition No. 2300, submitted by a resident of Sector I-10, Islamabad regarding scarcity of drinking water in Sector I-10 Islamabad was taken up by the Committee. MCI / CDA submitted a report in the committee that all efforts are being made for proper supply of drinking water to the residents of Sector I-10, Islamabad in accordance with the availability of water resources. On this report, the committee disposed of the Petition No. 2300 accordingly...

PART-III - (MATTER REFERRED BY THE HOUSE ON SECURITY OF GENERAL ELECTIONS, 2018):-

- 9. The matter referred by the House pertaining to complaints and reservations expressed by media, general public and various political parties in General Elections, 2018 was taken up by the Committee. The Chairman stated that the Committee had held multiple meetings, formal and informal, on the subject and have come to conclusion that a forensic audit duly supervised by aParliamentary Committee is essential to probe into the allegations, complaints and failure of RTS during General Elections, 2018. He stated that he himself and Senate Standing Committee on Interior highly appreciate the Pakistan Army, Police and other Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) for ensuring the security of voters, candidates, polling staff and vicinities on the poling day.
- 10. He stated that the Committee has already submitted its two reports for the information of the House and Senators and soon he will be submitting the third report on General Elections, 2018. He stated that the following complaints and grey areas are being investigated by the Committee:-
 - 1) Delay in election results
 - 2) Failure of RTS housed in NADRA
 - 3) Issues related to RMS housed in ECP
 - 4) Observations of the members on RTS and RMS
 - 5) Shortage of the Form 45
 - 6) Non-provision of Form-45 to the polling agents
 - 7) Ouster of polling agents from the polling stations
 - 8) The number of votes rejected, constituency-wise
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- 14) Further forensic audit of RTS by an independent private credible company
- 15) Detecting of any other violation of security code for both RTS and RMS
- 11. Senator Asad Ali Khan Junejo raised the following questions for Chairman NADRA and Secretary ECP on technical aspects of the two systems i.e. RMS/RTS:
 - a) Whether Audit logs of the two systems can be investigated?
 - b) Can the routing data of RTS and unused ballot papers be examined?
 - c) Can we summon members of Free and Fair Election Network (FAFEN) in the next meeting?
 - d) What is the total cost of electioneering and its sources be delved into?
 - e) Whether the security log of RTS and RMS was intact?

The Chairman passed the Ruling that the above questions may be referred to NADRA and Secretary ECP for their response.

- 12. The matter was also taken up regarding the Voice Message which was played in the Committee meeting. The Secretary ECP was directed to confirm as to whether this Voice Message was sent by the ECP to NADRA or not?
- 13. It was directed that the outcome of the letter written by Election Commission of Pakistan to Cabinet Division for constitution of Technical Experts Committee may be shared with the Committee. The Secretary Interior was also directed to inform the outcome of the letter written by the Chairman Committee to Mr. Imran Khan as Interior Minister whether the Technical Experts Committee has been constituted or not to look into the failure of RTS.
- 14. Senator M. Azam Khan Swati informed the Committee that he has already done some investigation on the failure of RTS and he was requested to share the information enabling the Committee to examine it and this should be considered as shared in his personal capacity. He stated that General Elections, 2018 was quite free, fair and transparent from all aspects. He had personally gone through different technicalities of RTS and RMS and come to the conclusion that this elections has been made controversial at the pretext of the failure of RTS alone.

- 15. Senator M. Umsan Khan Kakar used some un-parliamentary words about the Election Commission of Pakistan and its members which were expunged from the proceedings of the meeting by the Chairman and the Senator was requested not to level any allegation without substantive evidence. However, the Member was requested to provide credible information, if any, duly supported with evidence but not on the hearsay, to the Committee. The Chairman assured that the probe will continue with free, fair and transparent and independent manner remaining above all political affiliations.
- 16. The Committee also discussed thoroughly the further proceedings to be taken up in the matter and the following steps were approved unanimously:
 - a) All the political parties shall be advised to submit their complaints in the General Elections, 2018 on the prescribed proforma as under:-

PROFORMA FOR POLITICAL PARTIES/ INDEPENDENTS

- 1. Name of Political Party/Independent Candidate_
- 2. Name of Head of Political Party
- 3. Name of General Secretary of the Political Party

Questions to be answered:-

Q.No.1:	Any Delay in election results?
Q.No.2:	Any Failure of RTS housed in NADRA?
Q.No.3:	Any issues related to RMS housed in ECP?
Q.No.4:	Your observations of the members on RTS and RMS?
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Q.No.13:	Violation, if any, in awarding contract of Internet services
	by NADRA or ECP in violation of PPRA rules?
Q.No.14:	Further forensic audit of RTS by an independent private
	credible company?
Q.No.15:	Detecting of any other violation of security code for both
	RTS and RMS?

- b) The Parties will be written a letter alongwith copy of the above Proforma

 TORs to prepare the complaints as per the proforma.
- c) You may like to add any comprehensive irregularity / anything unusual happened in the General Election, 2018.
- d) It will be appreciated if the evidence in the form of statement/ affidavit/verified videos can be sent in support of the evidence.
- 23. It is also decided to present Vol-III of the Report based on the discussions and the so far results on the thorough probe and the salient features of the Report were also approved in the meeting.
- 24. It was also pointed out in the meeting that the role of UNDP, Kualitatem Inc. and misdeclaration by Kualitatem Inc. for not having disclosed the role of Indian Company EC-Council in security clearance. It was also decided in the meeting to ask Planning & Development Division as to how much amount was received from UNDP and other International donors for the Elections, 2018 and how was it disbursed and utilized.
- 25. The Secretary ECP answered to all questions raised by the Committee Members upto their satisfaction. The Chairman NADRA also responded to the questions and he confirmed that any hacking in the RTS can be identified without any difficulty. He, however, informed that the Security Log of RTS was fully intact.
- 26. It was also decided by the Committee that the Representative of the foreign observers may also be invited to share their point of view on Elections, 2018. The Representatives of FAFEN (Free & Fair Elections Network) may also be invited for their point of view based on their observations.
- 27. The Chairman PTA to provide video footages related to any irregularity reported on all the TV Channels regarding General Elections, 2018 and send it in a consolidated form and a proper presentation shall be submitted by PEMRA on it. PTA should also provide the response on the matter in writing to get more clarity.





PART-IV SUO-MOTO NOTICE ON DEATH OF THREE GIRLS IN CHOLISTAN DESERT):

- The Chairman Committee informed the participants about the crucial item on the agenda 28. pertaining to Suo Moto Notice taken by Chairman Standing Committee on Interior on death of three girls in Cholistan Desert of Fort Abbas, District Bahawal Nagar.
- He appreciated the efforts of Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad, Convener, Sub-Committee on 29. the above stated matter who has vast experience to have worked as Inspector General of Police and solved a number of important cases during his illustrious career.
- The Chairman Committee expressed his displeasure on the persistent absence of the LG. 30. Police of the Punjab and the CEO / D.G, Punjab Forensic Agency Lahore (PFSA). The Chairman Committee advised the Coordinator Senator Rana Maqbool to take the following steps:
 - a) The head of the Forensic Laboratory be directed to present his point of view on the tempered blood samples of the 3 girls.

b) Two more weeks are extended for the receipt of the forensic report.

c) The Sub-Committee may consider also to advise for exhuming of the bodies of the girls, if necessary.

d) The investigation of JIT duly constituted by Punjab Government may be

overseen by the Sub-Committee.

- e) The Sub-Committee is advised to submit its final report within 5 weeks which may also identify and fix the responsibility in the delay in registration of the case.
- f) The investigation may also be carried out against DPO who has declared the death of girls as natural death.
- Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed informed the Committee that he himself visited 31. Bahwalnagar and has found that the officers and officials of the local police station were involved in hiding and tempering the facts of the case. He observed that the Punjab Police was not cooperating. He stated that the attitude of the Police and all other concerned departments of the Punjab has been highly hopeless and disappointing. He stated that there was a criminal negligence and incompetence on the part of the said departments.
- Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi stated that the concerned Deputy Commissioner 32. who certified the death of the girls as 'natural death' without any substantive medical evidence should be transferred immediately so that investigation could be ensured on merit. The Chairman directed to transfer the DC, Bahawal Nagar and finalize the nominations of the JIT within the next three days.
- The Minister of State for Interior assured the Committee that he will personally look 33. into the matter to solve the mystery of the death of three girls in Cholistan desert.



RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1) The Committee directed the Ministry of Interior to inquire about the exact demands of FATF and present the stance of the government and the actions and measures being taken by the Government of Pakistan in this regard.
- a) The Committee recommended that Sub-Committee to submit its final report within 5 weeks which may also identify and fix the responsibility in the delay in registration of the case.
- 2) The Chairman Committee directed to transfer the DC, Bahawal Nagar and finalize the nominations of the JIT within the next three days.
- 3) The Chairman Committee to refer the Bill to Ministry of Law & Justice and CADD for legal opinion and directed Ministry of Interior to propose punishments to be incorporated against those who violate the provisions of the Bill as well.
- 4) The Committee approved and recommended unanimously that there should be a Parliamentary Commission consisting of members from all the Political Parties of both Houses. The Standing Committee will continue its probe in the capacity of Standing Committee which is a Parliamentary legal body nominated to oversee this matter. Some of the members proposed that Standing Committee may add some additional members from other Parties as Observers/Special Invitees. Some members suggested that this Standing Committee may be converted into a Parliamentary Commission with some additional mandate and the Committee will continue its probe and will provide entire material investigated by the Committee to the House /Parliamentary Commission for their assistance. The Committee has also proposed TORs for the future Parliamentary Commission and decided to continue to investigate on the above mentioned TORs.
- 5) The Committee recommended the following complaints and grey areas are being investigated by the Committee in General Elections, 2018 on the following proforma:-

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- 6) The Committee decided to give an open hearing to all the Political Parties after the receipt of the response on the above proforma.
- 7) The Committee recommended that in order to come to a conclusion it was imperative that Audit logs of the two systems be investigated. It was also asserted that the routing data be examined along with unused ballot papers. It was suggested by some Committee members that Free and Fair Election Network (FAFEN) be summoned in the next meeting and total cost of electioneering and its sources be delved into as well.
- 8) The Committee has directed the Secretary ECP to verify this "Voice Message" whether passed by Election Commission of Pakistan or not.
- 9) The Chairman also informed the Committee that he has written a letter to the Prime Minister in his capacity as Interior Minister for notifying a Technical Experts Committee as per the request of ECP to assist the Committee to further probe the technical aspects of RTS.
- 10) The Committee recommended that relationship between UNDP and Kaulitatem Inc. needs to be investigated. Senate Standing Committee on Interior decided to include the issue of verification of Result Management System (RMS) as TOR for further investigation.

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

(Tanvir Ahmed)

D.G./Secretary Committee.

(Senator A.Rehaman Malik)

Chairman

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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 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 here. We are ready to inform you in an incamera meeting," he said while briefing the Senate Standing Committee on Interior about security arrangements for the election day (July 25).

Mr Yaqoob 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 commissioner died in a bomb blast, but there were also grenade attacks at five places in Balochistan. Security issues had also arisen in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Karachi. 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 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 stragested.

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Responding to a question,
Mr Yaqoob said that it might
not be possible for the ECP to
appoint armed forces personnel at all polling stations.
"We have talked to the army

"We have talked to the army [about it] but we should understand 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 Tehreek-i-Insaf (PTI) said it was unfortunate 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, including food.

Jamiat Ulema-i-Islam-Fazl Senator Abdul Ghafoor Haideri said that during the elections in his constituency in 2013, polling could not take place at 14 polling stations and the results of 36 polling stations 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 Yousaf 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.

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Separately, while discussing the attack on Interior Minister Ahsan fubal during a 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 arrested five suspects belonging a religio-political party and he could give an in-camera briefing in this regard.

Senator Rehman Malik said negligence on the part of security 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 fit safe. "A hean fehal 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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Election symbol

PPP seeks 'sword' after 40 years

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

OUR CORRESPONDENT

ISLAMABAD

The Election Commission of Pakistan believes security will be a major challenge 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 assassinated during the last elections while terrorist 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 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 symbol'

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 for the polls. The provisions include an affidavit stating 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-

PPP had contested 1970 and 1977 general elections with 'sword' symbol, it has been contesting with 'arrow' symbol since then. Secretary General PPP Nayyar Bukhari

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 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 political parties.

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 stating they will allot at least five per cent of general seat tickets to women.

was added in the election laws to bind political 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 elections 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 intraparty 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

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Chief Commissioner Islamabad among other officials attended

the meeting. Senate Standing Committee on Interior in its meeting was given a detailed briefing by Secretary Election Commission Babar Yaqoob on security arrangements on Election Day, July 25. Secretary ECP told the Senate committee that elections can be sabotaged 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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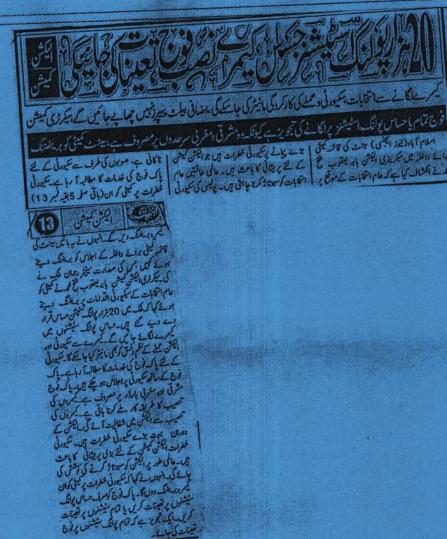
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Bajwa asks troops to strictly follow ECP code of conduct

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 army 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

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. of dos and don'ts.

The meeting was presided over committee chairperson by committee 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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terrorism Counter National Authority (Nacta).

Rejecting as baseless 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 institutions. The security situation is being improved in the entire country to hold elections."

The ISPR chief refused to divulge the strength of armed forces per-sonnel 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 w place from the security point

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 exception 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

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Main accused in Bilour attack arrested

Senate body told Mastung blast bomber identified

Asim Yasin

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

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The special meeting was attended by Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed, Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed, Senator Kulsoom Perveen bottabad.

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Rebuffs rumours that army personnel are issued 'different orders'

QADEER TANOLI

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.

Ghafoor was briefing a meeting of the Senate Committee on Interior, chaired by

?? 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

BRIEFING SENATE PANEL, FROM PAGE 1 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

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 police'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 Kulsoom 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 Malik 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

also briefed the Senate body over have also been improved with

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

"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

Chafoor said army deployment the security arrangements on 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 context 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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briefed the panel on 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 the perception that the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) 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 PTI, 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 TIP, Ahrar and Lashkar-e-Jhangvi."

He revealed that there is also

Coordinator Dr Suleman Khan a possible threat alert from the MQM-London. "There are some 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 TTP are emerging in the shape of Da'ish. "I had said in 2014 that Da'ish ex-

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

The special meeting of Senate Standing Committee on Interior was attended by its members including 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.

Forces have no direct role in the conduct of general elections to be held on July 25 but troops have been called in aid of civil would be deployed to improve forces but they have always the security situation on the lent support to civil institutions of Election tions. "There were some Commission of Pakistan rumors that army personnel." (ECP), said Director General of had been issued different Inter-Services Public Relations orders; this is completely base-(ISPR) Major General Asif less," he made it clear.

forces have no direct responsibility in the conduct of elections but they would assist ECP overall security, he said.

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Ghafoor on Thursday.

Gen Ghafoor while briefing the Senate Standing Committee on Interior presided over by Senator Rehman Malik regarding security arrangements during elections, said that armed forces have no direct responsi polling stations because the ECP only tasked the army with

being apolitical.

He said that ECP has issued a vritten code of conduct to armed forces and they are folstations. In the 2018 elections, ensure security environment all stations. In the 2018 elections, over the country during elec-

> 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 security point of view. We have made deployments as per the need in Balochistan."

To another question about

To another question about the security of senior politi-cians, 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 nolling." he said.

To a question about coordination with Afghanistan, he said that Pakistan has been assured of reciprocal support from the Afghan side on the security front. "When the elec-tions 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.

Secretary ECP Babar
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 opera-tional 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

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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 Pakhtunkhwa, Khyber 60,672,868 in Punjab. 22,391,244 in Sindh, 2,510,150 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 election.

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 inside 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 Authority Terrorism (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 allotment 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 said.

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 Les and TTP are emerging in a new shape of Daish about which he had disclosed back in 2014 that

senior official 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

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General Inspector Jan Police, Islamabad 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 advertisements containing foul and humiliating language against opponent political parties.
The chairman PEMRA 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 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."

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

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No direct role of army in July 25 polls: DG ISPR

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

ZAHID CHAUDHARY

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Pakistan Army is engaged in improving overall law and order 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 on Thursday that the troops have no direct role in the elections rather the troops are li-able to follow the electoral body's code of conduct.

He said, Army does not

army's role in providing secu-rity for elections did not mean that it would also take direct responsibility for the well being of politicians. "The army is not taking direct responsi-bility for the security of any politician," he said. "We are assisting the election commission for security during polling." he added.
"Until the police's abilities improve, we will also have to do police duty," he said.

ECP Secretary Babar Yaqoob also briefed the Sentatable and the security also.

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

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 have received 65 threat alerts most from Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan."

Pakistan."
Banned Jamaat-ul-Ahrar and Daesh have also issued . threats, the NACTA chief in formed the committee, adding that they have also recorded threat alert from MQM Lon-don. The list of political leaders facing threat would be shared with the Standing Com-mittee, Dr Suleman said and added that every time some militant groups become active against election process.

Dr Suleman advised intel-

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as its candidate defles Fazl's directive to withdraw in Shehbaz's favour Analysts insist that the PML-N president is betting against odds in a district that doesn't elect outsiders very easily

By Abdullah Malik in Swat

HE electoral race in Swat district has gained prominence because of the PML-N's decision to field its dent Shehbaz Sharif from NA 3 (Old

president Shehbaz Sharif from NA 3 (Old NA29) against former MNA from the area, PTI's Salcem Rehman.
Other candidates in the constituency are ANP's Abdul Karim, and PPP's Shahryar Amirzeb, and Maulana Hujjatullah

Hujjatullah was earlier 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 refused to wishdraw his candidacy, leading to the cancellation of his party membership.

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On PK 2, Mian Jaffar Shah of ANP, Amin and MMA's Bakht Amin are the contenders. From PK 3 (old 86), Qaimous Khan of runner-up was Ali Shah who secured 10,302 10,028 votes. In 2014 by-election after the Qaimous Khan, PTI's Haider Khan secured 1 toral race, i ider Ali Khan of PTI, Sardar Kl Wahab of Ann P and Mohammad Shahi Khan From PK4 (old81), ir 13 gen. of election 13,067 votes against rabib ir Shah Amir Zeb of PML-N who secured 10,453 voted 10,453 votes 10,453 votes 2018 general election. Amir Muqam

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In PK 7 (old 82), Amjid Ali of PTI secu Khan of ANP who got 9,050 votes, and Ami votes. For the 2018 election, the strongest or Ahmad of ANP, Abdul Ghaffor of PML-N at In PK 8(old 83), Muhibullah Khan of PT Jalat Khan secured 8,772, and Hussain Ahma eral election, the major contenders are Muhi Azmat Ali Shah of PMLN, and Sher Shah K In PK9 (old 84), in 2013, PTI's Mahm Ayub from ANP secured 8,038, Dost Moham Syed Akbar Khan 6066 votes. For the 2018 PTI, Amjid Ali from MMA, Abdullah Khar ANP, and Syed Nasir Ali Shah from PPP are PK 6 is a new constituency and strong can Habib Ali Shah of PMLN, Raza Khan of AN

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دواز کی کو صوبوں سے شیخ کرتا ہے جی سے ایک قائم میں کہ

کل سلیما او ایس بیشن کے کام وقد رکار در میں کی استان کے کہ در سال استان کی سے اور کو کی استان کی گئی ہے جا ہے گئی گئی گئی گئی ہے جا ہے گئی گئی ہے جا ہے گئی گئی ہے گئی مرف المحتن ميش في آزاداند اور مصطائد التجاب كا المستواند التجاب كا المستواند التي الدائم ادائم ادائم كا المستواند التي المستواند كا المستواند التي المستواند التي المستواند التي المستواند التي المستواند كا المستواند كا المستواند المستواند المستواند كا المستوا

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کیلے واللہ امیدواروں الیکورل ساف اور بالگ المراق المراق الوطاع الماس عاصول الدراي المراق الدراي المراق الدراي المراق الدراي كل مي المراق الدراي كل مي المراق المرا المجري من من من من المساور ال جائے عاصائے کے اضافت وجرا میں کا بازر وکر میں داخر کوئل میں بنا کیا ہے جوسالات کا بازر کے ایوان بالا کور چرٹ جی کرے کی۔ رحمان ملک نے ساتھ چارد اور مستوق کی شدید الناظ می فرمت کرتے ا كرائي والعاف ك الدجى وم مرے ہا اسامیہ برائے واضاف کے بعد اوا وار ا عضام کے اللہ میں میں کانے دولوں واقعات کو اللہ میں اور ا دیا اور کہا کہ بودی قوم دوشت کردی کی وجہ سے موگ میں بہا میں اعلام کی دوشت کردی کے واقعات میں جہید الانے والوں کے دعا بھی کی فید دی کی آلی ایس ی آدیجرج ل آمل خور کے بعد مالی ک دی کی الی این این کے کو گل کئی اور ہم مول ایش میش بنایا کہ حاج ایک کے کو گل کئی اور ہم مول ایش میش کی جائے۔ برائی والی ہم رکھے کیلے کام کررہے لیا۔ می اولون بھیش مول ادادی کو ایک میروٹ ویلی وی لیا۔ پرنگ

شده منابلا اظال مي ديع كي مينذيث كي تحت 八きいとうしいいけんとう

المربادة بالمربادة المربادة ا

قرجاويد باجوه

ر ماد البندي كا دوره كما جهال براهي ماك غير جانبداراند البندي 2018 كم البندي والم يعلق برمانك وي كل حري لا الموسود المستحد المستحد ولا كل حرالهم المستحد المستحد

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ب تك تحريك طالبان، جماعت الاحرار، واعش، تحده لندن كى جانب سے تقريش آئيں، كومبلك آپريش لائح كرنے جائيس، ۋاكثر سلمان كى قائر كمين واخل كو يريفنگ بیپ کا نشان آ راوز نے دیا، احتراش کرنے والے عدالت جائیں، 20 ہزار پونٹ کیشن حساس وقوج الیشن کھٹن کے احکامات کے مطابق فرائش اوا کر بگی ، تعاون پر شکریے بیکرزی باہر ماہتھ اسلام آباد (وقائع فارضوى +) مكافا يكر بداد واكر لميدان في الكلوكيل الملام آباد (آن لاكن ميان فيوا فواسط وقت يوز) إيكن معن في مام التجاب

ے کے لگ عل قام یای عاموں کی قامت کو خور اس ویتے 5) عل مل بر عل 20 زاد باعد کر حال قرار رے (مل ویتے 6)

ہواجی علی جاروں چف بحریز یدنے ویڈ لاک كةر يع اجلاى ش شركت ك اجلاى كروراك التابات ك دوران عور أن امور يرجاد الخيال كياكيا اورائيش عي حديث والا اميدوادول وكيورال فراہم کرنے سے حفق مور تمال کا جائز الا کیا۔ مشرك الماس عي فيلدي مي كريكي الملاع ف ہونے کے باد جرد انظامی امید داروں اور رکی ک عيدن كي يد مرك اور ايم يا تدانون اور امدداردل کا تحدرات لئے مروط پالیس وال کا ا وزارت واعلم في موبالي عوسول وجي بإيات جاری کردی جب کریکرٹری داخلے فی الکش کھن ے شابط اخلاق پر اظہار اطمیتان کا ہے۔

اليش مض اوع والمال ديورت وعمدرة مروع كرديا ب،ال 112/とはらばとしかがらいりをえでか ے مل الر على الكون كا انتقاد يالنسل ير ملك لى المائية من على الموالة المائية إلى في ع كاخدمات لينكا فعلركيا الكثن كموقع رجوى طور يرة الك افراد وي كرانيام وي كرين على مائے چارالک پائس، تین الکونی کے جان عور لُ پر امود مول کے اور فرق بالگ مخبر پر پر این تک آغرو کے اقد کام کریں کے سیروی ایک کون باريقوب ن مريدكا كريلا ب كرفن آزاد حييت على كام كر ل كرون الكن كون ك اظامات ك ملائق الية فرائن راجام دے كا۔ البول في كاجب كانشان آراد في وياجس كواحراض معدال والمراد ماد علا المراد والماد و 是小田里里山湖北上了門的 ないないというというというとうないとう معنول الدان دمرف بر عبر الديال بال ما على ما على المرك الموكد الم المسل ما كاكول ما والمواد والدول سراع اورم مولول عدد والاستكري としいといういいりょうきとしなんの ما ين تاكرا تقالي فل فلانيت كوريد بريم بدايا باع かけはしいかんけんかんとうんしかり مرافعام دي كلي ماري مايت كا اعلان كيا ي اور 11人とけんしとうらせ はいからん المين على صدند ليل كن الرقوى فريض ك ادا فكى للع يال وعج و عالين كانتاد كاباع كا الكش كعن في ساحدانون اوراميدوارول ك しいといいからけらりととししか اللين كيفن وزارت داخله وزارت اطلاعات ادر ودارت والناسية عيور في خام كامترك اجلال

\$ 513.05 12 1 2 1 BL, C 35 18 3 はりないからしいいいいかんなしんと - テリル・ひはらはいんしょしょ البراع كاك والمرارجان إلى المعوري تينات مول كـ لاكم ع حريد بتايا كـ افغانتان عن الآلات عققهم غمرمد يرقرمول علد کاف کے تجاون کی میں دول کا کے۔ معدلی و رفتن کے اجاری میں تکون کھی گھی الريقوب في ما اكرفي عاصل ما في كروه آزادان فروركام كري كافال المراك بريدانيدك 「かんこうをころうというとうこという الخابات كانتقادي معادن أرعى كولى يلديك からしまればあるでんとうでんとう とんなりとととなるとはずりしまだけん とからではしていているのというかからととり مينى اركان كو يتاياكد باليم كا 68 تقريف الرك موسول وسع جس على مايال وزياعكم شابد خا قان عباى ادر چيز غن تحريك انساف عران كانام مى شال عديد كا قائد يمنى براع داخل كا الله كا الله ينك دي يو يالى تى الماراتيدكاكما تى ك يلى كر 68 قريد الد موسل موع إلى رقام خداثات مخلف سای جاموں کے رہناؤں اور كاركنان كا والے إلى الكانے برے الى ريناؤل كالحال عدال عدران عر تر یک انساف کے پیڑی مران فان اور ماباق 1 - いまけれていいけられたないが

ہاور کا احدم جریک طالبان یا کتان کی طرف ہے ے زیادہ تریف الرف ہیں، بار چتان اور تجبر لی کے للے قرید مول مے ، کویک آر جر لائ الف ما اللي يعيث كى قائد كينى براع داخل ك خوص اولان شل برمانك ويد وي اوي يكل كاونا فردادم اقدار (الكا) كريراه واكور ليمان فيتا ا ←のおうこのでしているのでんかん ادراب مك 65 قرعد الدراس على المام فریک طالبان کی طرف سے سب سے زیادہ حریث الرث بن _ كالعرم عامت الاوار اور دائل ع عى いかをはんしてとかられているとうとう کافرف عائد قریدالد دیادادید با مادید میدادد کافرویدن کومویدن کومویدن کے شیر کرتا ہے، جن باس قائد بن کی دعر کیاں کو تعرب مجان کی فیر سے میٹی کو کا جا کا ۔ ڈاکو بلیان نے كاك اوجتان او خيرل ككيك وإده قريد موسول موسع إلى، المل بن اينيون كركونك 「大学はあん」をリガッチンにはからの ل کر اردیوں کیاں وم ک マングランはしからいいとしかしたり بعدوب مخرك ربح إلى بدروب فقول بالفوال نظافينات إلى درحان مك كى زيرمدارت يبعث كى قائم مين برائ واطله كا اجلاس بواجس عى قاعده في 「かっとりてしいかいかりからでんだんとも يكريغ يد ، وقالى يكريزي داخله وقاع ، يكريزي اليش からなっているとうないというできる اور ستوقف كم ثهدا كيان فاتوفوال كالى - يجزعن كمن رمان ملك نے بادرادرستونك عى دليوں رحلول ك ذمت كرت يوع كها إدون بلود مواع ديكسالى ك فهادت پرقوم غزده ع، برحتی ے ایکن مم پرای いころからいけんりないんかんかん المعنى كرب إلى يعيث قائد كلى عى بعنك ところくしはことをはないとれてい الكش ي كي تعلق فين، آرى مرف امن اومان كي アルカントでいるとととうがしばっか بيشر مول ادارول كو سيورث و ين رى عرب سيف

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یای قیادت کوخطرہ ، تحدہ کندن کا تھریٹ آیا بنیکٹا ، جیب سے جے شکایت عدالت جائے: الیکش کمیشن ،فوج کالیکش سے تعلق نہیں : نمائندہ جی ایچ کرم کی سند « کمیٹر کریں وہ گا

ال طرف فير معمول الدابات كي ، افغان صدد خي المحادث الدرايية آباد سنده كي جال وه الدراية من المحادث الدراية المحادث ال

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اسام) او (لمائند تحسوى دواغذ والجنسال) بيد تخل راع داخل ويعل ويت وعلى دول المائد ولي الم

كد مر جزل آمد فور كالب كد باكد ان كا

يترنبر39 سييث ليني، بريفتك ين اليش ليش ك جايت يراكن والمان كي بيترى ي ١١ رو ين مراد كمين ك والريخ برائ واظركا اجلاس ميزرتمان مك كى زرمدادت المنع اور على الالمال على الكثن كروران معتل المزيرة والمالي المال عي المعال ى الح كر جرل أحد فور الآراه و يكا ، いしてアシンスクスのでしてしまかしかり اس كى طاد دوقاتى كروى داخل دوقاتى كروى دقاع، 的人人人人人人人 いれいろことかいいかんととこと مانيون في كماك باكتان كى آرد فوريز بيد ول اداروں کو ای جورے وق رق ایل ایکن کے لیے لدے ملک عل اس اومان کی صورتمال بہتر کی جاری ہے۔ پرفنگ پریس کے لئے می آدوی ڈیٹی سرانجام ہے۔ پرفنگ پریس کے لئے می آدوی ڈیٹی مرمرف کیٹ کمیشن کی جارے پراس ادمان کی صورتمال کو بہر はかけて1603 -0まよりくときとき جوان مك برك بولك عيشز عى العينات موسق . ور ين في سوال ياكر بلوچتان على كن ことをはいいしょいいかいはこんでは 東京とりなられとることはとしりをしまっていま

س جگر کتے بندے تعینات کرنے ہیں، باد چتان میں مرورت کے مطابق تعیناتی کی ہے۔ لمائندہ تی ایکا کی رادلیندی (خمری بودر برد) آدی بیف برل
بادید باجه نے کہا ہے کہ فوق دورے ادادوں
لیمان کر الامام کیا آداراند طور بے جمیدی الا منال کر تو کا ساتھ را اور اللی بنا ہے گا ۔ میندیت منال کر تو کا ساتھ را اور اللی بنا ہے گا ۔ میندیت مقرد و دو اللی دو کر دیکٹی کیش سے تعاون کیا سے کا ۔ آئی دی بی آد کے دیاتی سے کہ انہ 28)

משתנם שנפנ

ان جمرات کور براه پاک فرج نے ایکن سیورت زراد لیڈی کا وردہ کیا ورد ہے کے دوران ایک عام عاب 2018ء کے موقع پر ایکن کیش کے ش سے تعاون عامل سمت کی پر برنگ دی گی۔ آری چیف کا عامل میں براہ پاک فرج نے کہا کہ جام کا آزادی کے دائی ورد ڈالے کیا جبوری میں کس بنایا جائے اور کا ایمی لیا آر نے کہا ہے کہ پاک فوج نے کی می شہر مالی کے بارک جیل ایک فوج نے کہی شہر کے برخری جیل کرانس کے باید کا تھے ہیں اس طرح کا پر ویکنٹ افون میران کی بالے کی دوم کوشش ہے دھری اس خمری کے میران کی ارد کی کا میران خوری کے دوری اس خمری کے دوریت میران کی دوم کوشش ہے دھری اس خمری کے دوریت کے دارم کی کا کروریت کے دوریت میران کی دوم کوشش ہے دھری اس خمری کے دوریت کے دوریت کی اس کی خاری کے دوریت کی اس کی دارم کی کا دوریت کی کار دوریت کے دوریت کی کار دوریت کے کار دوریت کے کار دوریت کی کار دوریت کی کار دوریت کی کار دوریت کی کار دوریت کے کار دوریت کے کار دوریت کی کار دوریت کے کار دوریت کی کار دی کی کار دوریت کی کار دی کی کار دوریت کی کار د

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19 र हाउग्राम । كايراه داست دردارى يى تى الدى مك ير على كالك والحقور بـ 13 اكا 17 برار جمان قيات مى كى يونتى عديك بالى كالمتحادثين يونتى ملى يالى كرائش كوروا بارديد الله افتالتیان علی افغایات کروج یدم نے برمدی میں طرف فیر سعول اقدامات کے بیشت اس بار افتالتان کے مدر نے وزیرافع ادرائی پذکرفن کے تعادن کی میں دبان کرائی ہے۔ تصالت کے ماين باديث باوس الاوراء عي ميورمان الملاس اوار جي على كل كالكان كماده فاعده ى الله كد يكما كا رؤيل ، جادول سويول اوروقا ل وارا الوحت ع آل جود وقال و موال مكر فرك. مكر غريد اور مكر غرى اليش كيش مي شرك をしいけれないのといいといれたした کے کا کھ کے نہا کہ امال کو اللہ کا کہ ک いしているととというだいい اميدوارول كى سكورنى عومت ياكتان اور الكئن ک در داری ب، ہم انتابات کے درران ایک لیے ایکٹی کیفن کی موادث کرد ب الل قرح کی باعدان کی کیورٹی کی براہ داست و بد داری میں فروی برقتی ہے جب تک پایس کی استعداد میں برقتی میں بایس کے فرائش کی سرائیا دید الله علی الان والان کی صورتمال بحتری با رق مید برخک براس برای فرج دیون وسدری ع ب ك مك بر على إلك المعرى 34 كاك 7 جزار جوال لعيات مول كاليش كوقع ي برجتان میں پاک فرج کے الماروں کی تعیناتی ہے

آری چین アプログインととといういんしんしん يف جرلتر بادر إيم عالى المحر بورك منز رولیش کا دوره کیا۔آوی جن کو آزاداد معناد دور خفاف اظام کیلے ایکش کیوں کر معادت کے بیان پر معنک دل کی آزادی جن سادت کے طاق ریکھی ان ماع ان ایک کا ایک کے اعد کہا کہ آئی ایکٹن کیسٹن کی فرج اپنے میزندید کے مطابق ایکٹن کیسٹن کی مدرکے کی مدرک مکیر دل اداروں کے ماتھ کل مراج کی کے ماتھ کا کیا دل اداروں کے ماتھ کل مراج کی کے ماتھ کا م الم القدام كي الم الوادي كما تدون المدون ال

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کے لیے زیادہ قریف موسول ہوتے ہیں، انگی جس ایجسید ن کو اور تک کو ایک جا کہ ایک ہوت کے ایک ہوت کا ایک ہوت کو ایک ہوت کو ایک ہوت کو ایک ہوت کو ایک ہوت کا ایک ہوت کی دائی ہوت کی ایک ہوت کو ایک ہوت کو ایک ہوت کو ایک ہوت کو ایک ہوت کی ایک ہوت کو ایک ہوت کی ہوت کو ایک ہوت کی ہوت کو ایک ہوت ک

كديلس 68 فرعد الرف موسول اوسع . حى شى سائل وزياعم شابد خاقان ماى اور يختر عن فريك انساف مران کانام می شال ہے۔ بیٹے رمان کلیے ک ورمدارت بادلیت بادی ش عید کی تاقد سی はないないないかいかいとはしました يكا كارتطر وقالى عريزى واطرودقاع الحريزى الكش كيش ألى جيز ويكريثرى واطله سيت ابم اراكين الله في المال كا عاد ياداد ستوتك تعلول كالمرت كالل مانوستوك اورساني یاور کے دہشت کردل کے داتھات پر حفظ طور پر فرقی رارداد كى ياس كى كى يشدا كيل قاتر قوانى كى كى جك مثل في آلاداندو فيرجانداداند التقابات كالطيط عى تمام ادارول كى معاونت اور بوليات كى قرامى يرفير مقدى قراردادك منظورى دےدى _ چيز من سيشى رجان مك في يشاور اورمستوك عن ريلون يرحلون ك د من كرة مو يكم إدران لدر بران رئيساني ك رى ، يكود فن مما لك ياكتان كوفير محكم كرن كالوعش ارب ہیں۔ میلا کے مربراہ ڈاکٹر ملمان نے بتایا کہ اب مك 65 فريد الدائدة ين ، لك كاتام ای بعاموں کی قیادت کونٹانہ بنائے جانے کا خط ے زیادہ کا احدم فریک طالبان پاکتان (ئی لَ إِنَّا كَا مُرف ع قريد الرك إلى، في في في كانيا مريداه زياده خطرة ك بي كذكروه لنام ناداض كرويل كو اكتفاكروباب-اس كما علاده عاص الاحرار اورداعش

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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-i-Insaf candidate Rramullah Gandapur and Pakistan People's Party worker Yasir Kalhoro and has prayed for them to be blessed with highest ranks in Jannah. In its meeting, the committee asked the Ministry of Interior to submit a report about both

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Investigation Agency (FIA).

The Committee chairman 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 are active again and a
big number of procious 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.

The committee collectively agreed that social media is the need of the era and the committee is not in favour of baseless limitations on its use but 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.

Talha Mahmood asked FIA officials as to what action is taken and under what laws against those who misuse the social media platforms. The committee was told that under the 2016 act a case is Indeed and challant is to be submitted in court and

indeed and challan is to be submitted in court and the person found guilty 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. NN1

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550 FIRS lodged against socia media misuse in last two year

Lawmakers say those spreading propaganda against state and misusing social media to harm their opponents should be taken to task

By Ijaz Kakakhel

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

two years

The information was shared during
a meeting of Senate'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

need to regulate social media in such a manner that it couldn't hurt others

through misuse and couldn't do harm to anyone's respect in the society.

Under the 2016 Act, a person found guilty of misusing social media could be punished for a time period of three to

None of us is in favour of curtall-"None of us is in favour of curtailing the use of social media but this liberty should not be used as a pretext to hurt others," said Malik, adding that those who were spreading propaganda against the state and were using the platform to harm their opponeuts should be taken to task.

Senator Malik directed the Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA) to coordinate efforts for curbing disinfor-

mation and derogatory remarks on social media. He said that a focal person - not less than the rank of assistant directoreach from the Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) and the PIA be deputed at FIA Cyber Crime Wing for better coordination against cybercrimes.

He said that an advertisement should be aired on all television channels, warning users against spreading hate and abusive materials on social coordinate efforts for curbing disinfor-

media and appealed to the people to report disinformation, derogatory remarks, humiliation and blasphemy 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 telecommunication

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

better cooperation.

Briefing the committee, the FIA
Cyber Crime Cell director said that the
person who uploaded the picture of the
grave as a symbol of a candidate on
Twitter had been identified as Zia-UrRehman and that the FIA had sought
density of the IP address from Twitter to details of the IP address from Twitter to

arrest the culprit.
It was shared that the FIA had also written to a private newspaper seeking information about the pictures of an animal used to lumiliate a political leader but so far FIA had received no reply.

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Mahmood shared with the come that a newspaper was allegedly into in blackmalling and spreading news against him. He said that it prit had a fake degree from Allam Open University, adding that the had asked the FIA to investiga matter but the authority was reluctate action against him and his in per. To this, Malik directed the investigate the matter and suit report to the committee.

The committee also express row over the killing of PTI can likramullah Gandapur and PPP Yasir Kalhoro in two separate attacks and sought a report on the dents. Mahmood shared with the co

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Those attended meeting senators Muhammad Talha Mi Kalsoom Parveen, Muhammad Shaikh, PEMRA chairman and from the Ministry of Law and J

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Senate wants action against social media exploiters

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Senate Standing Committee on Interior Tuesday directed Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) to take action against those who exploit social media for wrong propaganda, mislead nation and use abusive language against the opponents.

Chairing a meeting here, Senator Rehman Malik said social media has become a necessity of time

worldwide.

The meeting was also attended by Senators in-cluding Attique Sheikh, Talha Mahmood and Kulsoom Parveen, and of-ficials of Ministry of Interior and FIA. The meeting was briefed on measures against spreading objectionable content on social

Rehman Malik said, "We are not in favour of restricting any media including social media and will not let anyone to do so. Our reservations are on wrongly usage of so-

and gained importance 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 social 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-der the law, Moreover, the Committee was informed that political personalities like Shehla Raza and Aisha Gulalai were defamed through fake social media accounts.

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

Rehman Malik aske Ministry of Interior to sul mit report of both the inc dents to the Committee.

The Committee praye for peaceful election (July 25 (Wednesday) that people could decidentheir better future.

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Stamped ballot papers on roadside

Rehman Malik seeks report form IGPs, home secretaries

Our correspondent

Standing Committee on Interior of ballot papers found in such Senator Abdul Rehman Malik public places. and Coordinator nominated by the Senate House to monitor security of General Elections, 2018 has written a letter to all inspectors general police places. He says, "This shows the alleged irresponsible attitude of the ECP staff/concerned other staff who have failed to perform their official obligations allowing 2018 has written a letter to dispersion of their official obligations anoway impectors general police their official obligations anoway the ballot papers to go in the unauthorised hands. All IGPs submit a company hallot papers of and home secretaries are there-

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submit a comprehensive report on the stamped ballot papers of general elections, 2018 found on road sides, dust bins, drains and various class rooms.

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Senator Rehman Malik writes that this situation has raised serious questions on genusual discoveries of the ballot papers on road sides, dust bins and public places show the failure to comply with the SOPs issued by the ECP for general elections, 2018," he stated in a letter.

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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 election symbols of various political parties have been spotted along roadsides, dustbins and in some classrooms which were eatlier 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 they have not been able to safeguard the ballot 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 irresponsible 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 Interior.

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 motives".

Senator Malik wants the report to be submitted by Aug 20 as the committee is scheduled to meet on Aug 27.

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

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 report on 'trashed' ballot papers

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

OUR CORRESPONDENT

ISLAMABAD

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 numerous places after the general

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 papers, duly stamped on election symbols of various political parties, which have been spotted along roadsides, dustbins and in some classrooms which were earlier used as polling stations. These official ballot papers were also found outside 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 found in such public places. He an effort to make the elections

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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

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

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 inspector generals, seeking their response on media reports detailing the recovery of ballot pa- dated report on the recovery of

nated polling station during the polls.

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 govern-ment departments" were found at public places.

"All IGPs and home secretaries are directed to submit a comprehensive and consoli-

pers from garbage dumps and a school, which was a designated polling station during the person of 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 requisite 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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مین کی مین مین 25 داس کی دو عدالته دام کوطاب کراید بعدت تا در کشی داخله کا بدگان اجلاس آج میان چس شر

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Senate body suggests forensic audit of Nadra, ECP to probe 'RTS failure'

By Ikram Junaidi

ISLAMABAD: The Senate Standing Committee on Interior has recommended a forensic audit of the National Database and Registration Authority (Nadra) and Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) to determine who was responsible for the failure of the Result Transmission System (RTS) on July 25.

Committee chairman Senator Rehman Malik from the PPP said on Monday that the committee has held multiple formal and informal meetings on this matter, and has concluded that a forensic audit duly supervised by a parliamentary committee is necessary to investigate the allegations and complaints regarding, and failure of, the RTS.

"Before the elections, we asked the ECP about the arrangements and were told they were complete. However, after the elections we received a number of complaints, such as the unavailability of Form 45s

rowever, after the elections we received a number of complaints, such as the unavailability of Form 45s or delays in handing over, the delay in the announcement of results, the failure of the RTS, the expulsion of polling agents from polling stations, etc," Senator Malik said.

He went on to say that most political parties have been demanding an investigation through a parliamentary commission, and added that the "hacking of the RTS system cannot be rejected".

"I suggest that a credible company should be hired to do a forensic audit of the whole process" he said

of the whole process," he said.

Senator Malik said his committee was nominated by Senate to oversee the execution of free, fair and transparent elections and their security.

He said the "grey areas" the com-

He said the "grey areas" the committee is investigating include the delay in election results, the failure of the RTS housed in Nadra, issues related to the ECP's Result Management System (RMS), observations of the members on the RTS and RMS, the shortage or non-provision of Form 45s, the ouster of polling agents from polling stations, the number of rejected votes, the failure of internet and telephone services in constituencies, the breakdown of the internet server at Nadra headquarters, reservations of parliamentarians such as the posting and transfer

of presiding and returning officers, and the recovery of stamped ballot papers from roadsides, dustbins and elsewhere, and so on.

Senator Malik also played a voice message, that said: "There is a big issue of RTS all over the country. Therefore, you all [presiding officers] are requested that if the RTS system is not working, this is not mandatory option for us. Then leave this option of RTS and POs should bring the Form 45 directly to returning officers."

He also said he was concerned that the certificate for the RMC was issued by the United Nations Development Programme through Kaulitatem Inc., a private company, while the role of the Ministry of IT in verifying a system dealing with national data was absent.

He emphasised that the relationship between UNDP and Kaulitatem Inc. needed to be investigated, adding that the company had the certificate verified by another company, EC-Council, which is an Indian-origin company with an office in Hyderabad,

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India, as well as one in New York in the United States.

Independent Senator Asad Ali Junejo questioned Nadra and the ECP thoroughly on technical aspects of both systems. He seemed upset that the RTS server was kept in the Nadra office rather than in the ECP, despite the fact that it just needed a few feet of space.

He told the committee that in order to reach a conclusion it was imperative that the audit logs of the two systems be investigated.

He also asserted that routing data be examined, along with unused ballot papers. Some committee members suggested that members of the Free and Fair Election Network (Fafen) be summoned to the next meeting and the total costs of electioneering and their sources be delved into as

Senator Javed Abbasi from the PML-N said the ECP had assured that the RTS would not be hacked, but it is now being said that many people were

Muttahida Qaumi Movement Senator Mian Ateeq claimed he already had information about election rigging, which he had told the house on July 20 but no one paid attention.

PTI Senator Azam Swati added that the Nadra chairman should not be a part of the investigation committee, because according to his assumption Nadra could be involved in measures that had made the elections controversial.

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ECP Secretary Babar Yaqoob said the RTS was not part of the election reforms but was included in the bill and became a part of the law. He said it was a significant challenge to arrange 85,000 smartphones, and it was suggested at one point to purchase mobile phones.

Food authority act considered

During Monday's meeting, the standing committee also considered the Islamabad Pure Food Authority Bill 2018, which was introduced by Senator Swati.

The senator said he had taken important points from the Punjab Food Act and made a bill, but representatives from the Ministry of Interior said a

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Senate body for formation of MPs panels to probe RTS failure

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ISLAMABAD: The Senate's Committee on Interior on Monday reiterated its recommendations for the formation of a parliamentary committee of both the Houses of Parliament-Senate and National Assembly-to probe and forensic audit of the allegations of complaints and failure of Result Transmission System (RTS).

"The multiple meetings, both formal and informal, on the subject and have come to conclusion that a forensic audit duly supervised by the parliamentary committee is necessary to probe into the allegations, complaints and failure of RTS," said Senates' Committee on Interior Chairman Abdul Rehman Malik while chairing the meeting of the Senate's committee here on Monday.

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Senate Standing Committee on Interior Chairman who is Senate nominated coordinator to oversee the Elections-2018 said that his committee was nominated by the Senate of Pakistan to oversee the conduction of the free, fair and transparent elections and its

He said that the committee has already submitted two reports in the House for the information of the House and senators and soon he will be submitting the third report. "We were fully aware of the complaints and reservations regarding the failure of the Result Transmission System (RTS) and doing the technical investigations from Nadra and ECP," he said.

He said that the following complaints and grey areas are being investigated by the com-mittee that includes, delay in election results, failure of RTS housed in Nadra, issues related to the RMS housed in the ECP, observations of the members on the RTS and RMS, shortage of the Form-45, non-provision of Form-45 to the polling agent, ouster of polling agents from the polling stations. The num-ber of votes rejected, con-stituency-wise, failure of inter-net services/telephone services in the constituencies, breakdown of Internet Server at Nadra's Headquarters. Did the Nadra server slow down during the operation, Reservations by the members of Senate in the House e.g. posting and transfer of presiding officers and returning officers-com-plaints made by senators from Balochistan, recovery of stamped ballot papers on road-side, in dustbins or elsewhere, violation, if any, in awarding contract by Nadra or ECP in vi-olation of PPRA rules, further forensic audit of the RTS by an independent private credible company and detecting of any other violation of security code for both the RTS and RMS.

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Senator Rehman Malik said that the members of Senate Standing Committee on Interior and its staff are working day and night to reach a conclusion.

Senate body for forensic audit of 'RTS failure'

Condemns US move to cut aid to Pakistan

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The Senate Standing Committee on Interior has recommended a forensic audit under the supervision of a parliamentary committee to probe into the allegations of rigging in the July 25 elections and the alleged failure of Nadra's Result Transmission System.

During a meeting of the committee that was held here on Monday, Chairman Committee Senator Rehman Malik said that committee held multiple meetings, both formal and informal, on matter and had come to a conclusion that a forensic audit under the supervision of Parliamentary Committee was necessary to probe into the allegations of rigging, complaints and failure of RTS.

PPP Senator Rehman Malik, who was nominated as coordinator by the Senate to oversee the security and other issues of Elections 2018, said committee had already submitted two reports in the house on the issue and third one would he submitted soon. "We are fully aware of the complaints and reservations regarding the failure of the Result Transmission System (RTS) and are conducting investigations with regard to technical aspects of matter from National Database and Registration Authority (Nadra) and Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP). He said the committee was probing complaints and grey areas including delay in election results, failure of RTS housed in Nadra, issues related to Result Management System (RMS) housed in ECP, observations of the members on RTS and RMS, shortage of the Form 45, non-provision of Form 45 to the polling agents, ouster of polling agents from the polling stations, the number of votes rejected, failure of internet services/telephone services in the constituencies, breakdown of Internet Server at Nadra's Headquarters and whether the server of Nadra became slow down during the operation?

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raised by media and various political parties on RTS which needed to be thoroughly investigated through forensic audit by a credible organization duly supervised by parliamentary commission.

Senator Malik from his own mobile played a voice message having been received through a Whatsapp message and referred it to the Election Commission of Pakistan for its verification. The voice message states "There is a big issue of RTS all over the country. Therefore you all (presiding officers) are requested that if the RTS system is not working, this is not mandatory option for us. Then leave this option of RTS and POs should bring the Form 45 directly to ROs (returning officers)". Senator Malik asked the Secretary ECP to verify this voice message whether passed by Election Commission of Pakistan or not.

Malik informed the committee that he had written a letter to the prime minister for notifying a technical experts committee as per the request of ECP to assist the committee to further probe the technical aspects of RTS. He added that this strong impression of failure of RTS needed to be fully investigated. He said that he was concerned about the fact that certificate for Result Management System (RMS) was issued by UNDP through Kaulitatem Inc., a private company and didn't see the role of Ministry of IT while verifying a system dealing with national data. He emphasized that relationship between UNDP and Kaulitatem Inc needed to be investigated. He revealed that a private company namely Kaulitatem Inc. was selected to get verify the RMS. He added that Kaulitetam Inc. got the certificate verified by another company namely EC-Council which was an Indian origin company with its office in Hyderabad India and one in New York, USA. He said that the UNDP and the Kaulitetam Inc. should explain as to why and how they failed to inform ECP in advance. He alleged that directors of Kaulitatem Inc. included some big names and one of them was the minister in caretaker setup.

PTI Senator Azam Swati, who is also leading in the investigations on RTS failure under the directions of his party, said that Chairman Nadra Usman Yousaf Mubin, his brother-in-law and DG (Software Development) Ahmareen Ahmed and DG (Projects) Zulfiqar Ali should be separated from the investigations for a transparent inquiry. "ECP has informed me in black and white that Form 45 were missing only in less than 50 polling stations out of 85,000 polling stations," he

Chairman Nadra was of the view that there was no secure system in the world that could not be hacked but it could be detected from where it was hacked. "We did not provide network to ROs," he said.

CONDEMNATION OF US MOVE TO CUT AID TO PAKISTAN

The chair condemned the recent move of the US administration to cut off the Coalition Support Fund (CFS) to Pakistan. He said CFS was actually not the aid as reported by national and international media but remuneration that Pakistan received for the logistic and other support and services it extended to the US and NATO in the war on terror. He demanded the US administration to review its decision of cutting off the CFS and other funds to Pakistan.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF THREE SISTERS IN CHOLISTAN

The committee got briefing about the background of the case of three girls who were found dead in Cholistan desert but the local authorities declared their death due to natural calamity without launching any investigations. Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed told the committee that he himself visited Bahwalnagar, Cholistan and found that then police officials of Punjab were involved in hiding and tempering the facts by pressurizing the local medical officials to destroy the facts. He said he had been stressing for the formation of joint investigation team (JIT) but Punjab Police were not cooperating till a new lady DPO of Bah-walnagar took over the charge, DPO Bah-walnagar Amara Athar informed the committee that police were neglecting the evidence prior to her and she had registered the FIR and was proceeding

Taking serious notice of the negligence, the committee recommended that Deputy Commissioner Fort Abbas Bahawalnagar, must be transferred immediately and inquiry should be initiated against him for declaring the cause of death of three girls as 'natural death' without any investigation and proper post-mortem.

FOOD AUTHORITY ACT FOR ISLAMABAD

The committee members considered "Islamabad Pure Food Authority Bill 2018" introduced by Senator M Azam Khan Swati. After thorough discussion on the bill, the committee referred the bill to Ministry of Law for their input.

The State Minister for Interior Shehryar Afridi, Secretary ECP Babar Yaqob Fateh

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چولستان واقعہ کے ملز مان کو کیفر کروار تک پہنچا کیں گئ قائمہ کمیٹی واضلہ ایک کینٹر کاؤری بنائے اور ہے آئی فی بنائے کا بدائے اور ان اللہ است بلک بن روی اور ان اللہ است بلک بن روی کا ان اللہ کی اور بیت پال کی 9 کمیناں قیر معاری ہوئے کا انگراف اسلام آباد (وہ تع قار صوری) ہیں۔ کی مجل وی کھیز کوؤری مور پر بنائر اس کے طابق انوازی میں میں میں میں اسلام آباد (وہ تع قار محالی میں میں میں اور کے اور ان کی معارف کی ہے اور میں میں میں میں میں میں اور ان کی معارف کی ہے اور میارے کی ہے تھی وال میں میں میں دیے والے کے اور واقعہ کی محقوق سے (منو کا ایہ 18 کا کھیزی کے واقعہ کی محقوق سے (منو کا ایہ 18 کا کھیزی کے اور ان کی محقوق سے (منو کا ایہ 18 کا کھیزی کے اور ان کی محقوق سے (منو کا ان کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کے ان کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کی کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کے ان کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کھیزی کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کھیزی کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کھیزی کے اور کھیزی کھیزی کھیزی کے اور کھیزی

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