



AZAD JAMMU & KASHMIR ELECTION COMMISSION SECRETARIAT
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“Muzaffarabad”

Dated: 29 April 2021

Notification.

No.EC/S/17710-18150/2021. Whereas it was mandatory to constitute voters' verification Committees to certify the admissibility of documents for registration of persons belonging to category of Jammu and Kashmir Refugees settled in Pakistan in respective electoral area under constituencies and thus were notified vide Notification No. EC/S/5772-99/2021, dated 01-01-2021 No. EC/S/5723-71/2021 dated 01-01-2021 and No. EC/S/5543-5722/2021 dated 01-01-2021.

2. **And Whereas**, aforesaid Notifications were challenged through a writ petition before the High Court of Judicature of Azad Jammu and Kashmir which has ordered suspension of subject Notifications vide its Order issued on 20-01-2021.

3. **And Whereas**, Hon'able High Court of Judicature, after hearing the parties has made judgment today on 29.04.2021 having dismissed the writ petition title **Abdul Majid Khan etc. Versus Election Commission etc.**

4. Consequent upon and in compliance with Judgment/Order of Hon,able High Court and according to the law, following directions are hereby issued for implementation in the letter and spirit:-

1. The Voters who have applied for the registration on the basis of verification by the committee and their registration was pending due to the status quo issued by the Honorable High Court shall be registered as voters if verified by the Committees according to the TORs issued vide order No. E/S/5163-5330/2020 dated 24, December 2020 and provision of Law which is as under:-

“Provided further that the Refugees settled in Pakistan not holding State Subject certificate may be enrolled as voters, on production of the documentary evidence to establish their identity as State Subjects on certification of a Committee to be constituted by the Commission for each constituency.”

2. Moreover it is the prime duty of the Registration Officer to ensure that verification by the Committees shall be based on valid documents which include a **allotment chit** or **Ration Card** or **Identity Certificate** issued by the Ministry of Home and Kashmir affairs or any other **land allotment/mutation** document which proves the holder as refugee of Jammu & Kashmir settled in Pakistan.

3. The Process of the verification by the Committee and Registration Officer run in tandem with process of revision of list by the Revising Authorities and the verified voters by the Committee shall be incorporated in the electoral roll of concerned category of refugees along with the decision of the Revising Authorities.

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Secretary Election Commission

No EC/S/17710-18150/2021

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1. Private Secretary to the Chief Election Commissioner of Pakistan Islamabad.
2. Private Secretary to the Chief Election Commissioner of AJ&K Muzaffarabad.
3. Private Secretary to the Senior Member/Member Election Commission of AJ&K Muzaffarabad.
4. Secretary Election Commission of Pakistan, Islamabad. (for information and issuance of necessary directions.)
5. Provincial Election Commissioner, Punjab, Sindh, Baluchistan, KPK
6. Director MIS Election Commission of Pakistan, Islamabad.
7. Director General Public Relations, Azad Government of the State of J&K, Muzaffarabad.
8. All Revising Authorities in Pakistan.
9. All Registration Officers in Pakistan.
10. All Assistant Registration Officers in Pakistan.
11. Controller Govt. Printing Press, M'abad, for publication in Extra Ordinary Official Gazette.
12. All Officers of AJ&K Election Commission.

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