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ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN



Secretariat,
Constitution Avenue, G-5/2,
Islamabad, the 23rd June 2017

To

✓ Mr. Sohail Muzaffar,
Chairman,
Transparency International-Pakistan,
4-C, Mezzanine Floor, Khayaban-e-Ittehad,
Phase-VII, DHA, Karachi.

Subject:- VIOLETION OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT RULES 2004, DEPUTY DIRECTOR (GS), ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN, ISLAMABAD'S TENDER NOTICE FOR MISCELLANEOUS MATERIALS.

Reference your letter No. TL 17/1306/9A, dated the 13th June 2017, on the above subject.

2. Election Commission of Pakistan appreciates the concern of Transparency International-Pakistan and welcomes such proposals for improvement and reforms in the system.

3. It may be noted that the next General Elections are due in the year 2018. Multiple efforts for reforms in the system are in process at different fora. Parliament is busy in reforms in the legal framework whereas Pakistan Bureau of Statistics is busy in census. It is still not certain whether these reforms will reach to concluding point facilitating the Election Commission of Pakistan to plan and execute well before the general elections? The result of Census-2017, if published, may warrant changes in the existing census blocks based on Census-1998, necessitating changes in the number of polling stations, booths, staff, election material and Forms etc. As procurement of election material is a time-consuming laborious exercise, the Honourable Election Commission, therefore, directed to start execution of the planning for general election-2018 within the parameters of the existing rules and keeping in view the reforms agenda in electoral process. Changes in the tendered quantities as highlighted by the Transparency International will be examined in the above-said overall parameters of rules in the national interest.

4. Input of all the stakeholders towards reforms in the electoral system and laws is always appreciated and welcomed, please.


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