SINDH ORDINANCE NO.XXIV OF 2001 THE SINDH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS (SECOND AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 2001

[7th July, 2001]

An Ordinance to further amend the Sindh Local Government Elections Ordinance, 2000.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Sindh Local Preamble. Government Elections Ordinance, 2000, in the manner hereinafter appearing;

AND WHEREAS, UNDER THE Local Government Elections Order, 2000 (No.8 of 2000), the Chief Executive of Pakistan has been pleased to empower the Chief Election Commissioner to conduct local government elections in the Provinces:

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Assembly stands dissolved in pursuance of the Proclamation of the fourteenth day of October, 1999, and the Provisional Constitution Order No.1 of 1999:

AND WHEREAS the Governor of Sindh is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action:

NOW THEREFORE, in pursuance of the aforesaid Proclamation and Provisional Constitution Order read with Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order No.9 of 1999, instructions of the Chief Executive and in exercise of all powers enabling him in that behalf, the Governor of Sindh is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:----

This Ordinance may be called the Sindh Local 1. Short title and (1)Government Elections (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 2001. commencement.

It shall come into force at once. (2)

2. In the Sindh Local Government Elections Ordinance, 2000, Amendment of hereinafter referred to as the said Ordinance, for section 9, the Section 9 of Sindh following shall be substituted: -

"Special Minority Seats: In a union where the population of minorities is in excess of ten percent of the total population of the union reserved seats for minority communities mentioned in the proceeding section shall be allocated in the manner prescribed by the Government.".

In the said Ordinance, in section 10, in sub-section (2) the Amendment of 3. full stop at the end shall be replaced by a colon and thereafter the Section 10 of Sindh following proviso shall be added: -

Ordinance No.X of 2000.

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"Provided that one electoral college for the election of reserved seats of Women for Zila council proportionately divided among talukas or towns shall be all the members of union councils in the concerned taluka or, as the case may be town.".

4. In the said Ordinance: -

(a) the existing section 14 shall be re-numbered as subsection (1) of that section and in sub-section (1) as so re-numbered, for clause (s), the following shall be substituted" –

> "(s) has not used directly or indirectly for his election the platform, flag, symbol, affiliation and financial or material resources or support of a political, religious, ethnic or sectarian party formation or organization.";

- (b) after clause (s) substituted as aforesaid the following new sub-section (2) shall be added: -
- "(2) Whoever
 - (a) as found by the Chief Election Commissioner to have contravened the provision of sub-section (1) shall stand disqualified from being a candidate for election to a local government for a period of four years; or
 - (b) having been elected as a member of local government or being a holder of an elective office of local government is found by the Chief Election Commissioner to have contravened the provisions of sub-section (1) shall cease forthwith to be an elected member or to hold the office of such member and stand disqualified from being a candidate for election to a local government for a period of four years.".

5. In the said Ordinance for section 15, the following shall be substituted, namely: -

"15. Local government elections shall be held on non-party basis.".

6. In the said Ordinance in section 16, for sub-sections (2) and (3), the following shall be substituted, namely: -

Amendment of Section 15 of Sindh Ordinance No.X of 2000.

Amendment of Section 16 of Sindh Ordinance No.X of

Section 14 of Sindh Ordinance No.X of 2000.

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"(2) The Nazim and the Naib Nazim of a district government or a town government or a Taluka government securing as joint candidates more than fifty percent of votes shall be declared elected.

- In case a Zila Nazim and a Naib Zila Nazim (3)or a Town Nazim and a Naib Town Nazim or a Taluka Nazim and a Naib Taluka Nazim do not secure more than 50% of the total votes of the members of the union councils in the respective district, or Taluka/town, there shall be held a fresh election, within one week of the first election, in which the joint candidates for such offices securing the highest and the second highest number of votes shall be contestants. and the joint candidates securing the highest number of votes in the fresh election shall be declared elected.".
- 7. In the said Ordinance, in section 17 -
 - (i) for sub-sections (1) and (2), the following shall be substituted: -
 - "(1) Reserved seats for women in the Zila council shall be divided among the towns in a city district or Taluka in proportion to the number of unions in such towns or Talukas.
 - (2) A town in a city district or a Talukas shall be a multi•member ward of the reserved seats for women in the Zila Council, town council, in a city district or Talukas council.";
 - (ii) after sub-section (2), the following new sub-section shall be added :-
 - "(3) The district shall be a multi-member ward for the reserved seats for Peasants and Workers and Minority population in the Zila council.".

Amendment of Section 17 of Sindh Ordinance No.X of 2000.