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SIND ACT No. XI OF 1952.

[THE SIND LOCAL AUTHORITIES (ADULT FRANCHISE) ACT, 1952.]
[19th July, 1952]

An Act to amend the Sind District Municipal Act, 1901, the Sind Local Boards Act, 1923, and the Sind Municipal Boroughs Act, 1925.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Sind District Municipal Act, 1901, the Sind Local Boards Act, 1923, and the Sind Municipal Boroughs Act, 1925, for the purpose hereinafter appearing ;

AND WHEREAS the Governor of Sind has, in pursuance of a proclamation issued by the Governor-General of Pakistan under section 92-A of the Government of India Act, 1935 assumed on behalf of the Governor-General, all powers vested in or exercisable by the Provincial Legislature under the said Act ;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers so assumed, the Governor is hereby pleased to enact as follows :—

1. This Act may be called the Sind Local Authorities (Adult Franchise) Act, 1952. Short title.

2. (1) This Act shall apply to the whole of the Province of Sind. Extent and commencement.

(2) It shall come into operation at once.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Sind District Municipal Act, 1901, the Sind Local Boards Act, 1923, and the Sind Municipal Boroughs Act, 1925, (hereinafter called the "said Acts") :— Provision of adult franchise and separate electorates.

Sind III of 1901, VI of 1923, and XVIII of 1925.

(a) every person who, unless disqualified under the said Acts,—

(i) has, on the 14th day of June next preceding the date on which the list of voters is published, attained the age of 21 years, and

[(ii) has, for a period of not less than 180 days in the financial year next preceding the year in which the list of voters is published, resided in a house within the limit of such district municipality, local board or municipal borough, as the case may be,]

shall be entitled to be entered in the list of voters for the election of councillors and members of district municipalities, local boards and municipal boroughs constituted under the said Acts ;

1 Subs. by Sind 21 of 1952, s. 2 (w. e. f. 19th July 1951), for the original sub-clause (ii).

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(b) except where the constituencies are specially formed for women, elections shall be held on the basis of separate electorates. Seats shall be allotted to Muslims and non-Muslims and in district and borough municipalities to women also ; and

(c) no person shall be included in the voter's list for, or vote at any election in, more than one constituency. If a person votes at any election in more than one constituency, his vote in each of the constituencies shall be void :

Provided that nothing shall prevent a woman from being included in the electoral roll for, and voting at any election, in one territorial constituency specially formed for women and also one territorial constituency not so formed, but no male person shall be included in the electoral roll for or vote at any election in any constituency so formed.

Repeal of
Sind Ordinance VII
of 1951.

4. The Sind Local Authorities (Election) Ordinance, 1951, Sind Ord. VII of 1951, is hereby repealed.