ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI

C.P. No. D-4626/2018

Date	Order with signature(s) of Judge(s)

14.06.2018

Petitioner in person. Ms. Mamoona Nasreen, Legal Advisor Election Commission of Pakistan. Mr. Abdullah Hanjrah, Law Officer Election Commission of Pakistan.

Yesterday, Law Officer Election Commission of Pakistan received a copy of the petition and today he has filed a statement which reads as under:-

"The petitioner has challenged the order dated 12.6.2018 (impugned order) passed by the Returning Officer for NA-245 Karachi East rejecting the Nomination paper of the petitioner on the ground that her proposer and seconder are not registered voters of NA-245.

It is submitted that the Appellate Tribunal for appeals against the decisions of Returning Officers for General Election, 2018, in terms of Article 219 (c) of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 read with Section 63 (c) of the Election Act, 2017 is expected to be notified today by the Election Commission of Pakistan.

It is, therefore, humbly requested that petitioner may kindly be directed to approach the Appellate Tribunal of this Hon'ble Court for redressal of her grievance"

The rejection order of the Returning Officer is available at page 73 of the file in which the only reason for rejection is that the proposer and seconder are not registered voters of NA-245 area. Since a categorical statement has been given by the Law Officer of Election Commission of Pakistan that the Appellate Tribunal is going to be constituted soon under Section 63 (c) of the Election Act, 2017, therefore the petitioner may file appeal against the rejection of her nomination form to the Appellate Tribunal which is an adequate and appropriate remedy provided under the law, petition is disposed of accordingly.

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