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further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. Short title and commencement.—(1) This Act may be called the Constitution (Amendment) Act, 2020.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment of Article 140A of the Constitution.— In the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, in Article 140A, after clause (2), the following clauses (3) and (4), shall be added. namely:-

“(3) The Federal and all Provincial Governments are bound to hold Local Government Election within 60 days.

(4) The Federal Government and all Provincial Governments should not suspend the Local Government institute more than 60 days.”

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The elected local bodies are directly concerned with the well being of General Public, and play an important role for the solution of 70% issues of the local people. Due to existence of the local bodies, the dependency on Federal and Provincial Governments is drastically decreased. The local people are in direct contact with the elected local bodies and they invite the attention of these bodies toward the solution of their problems in a better manner due to which the general public obtain facilities of life at their door step, and their issues are resolved. The elected local bodies are like the back-bone of any civil society and their absence increase the problems and difficulties for the general public. Therefore, the establishment and existence of elected local bodies as per constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan is indispensable.

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