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Justice (R) Sardar Raza Khan,
Chief Election Commissioner,
Election Commission of Pakistan,
Secretariat, Election House,
Constitution Avenue G-5/2,
Islamabad.

Sub; Request for fair and free Senate Election

Dear Sir,

Transparency International Pakistan requests that elections of Senate be held free and fair, and without any allegations of rigging by force or selling of votes by parliamentarians.

The allegations and apprehensions of rigging in these senate elections are published in newspapers, and needs to be addressed by the election commission of Pakistan. **Annex A & B.**

The allegation of price of one vote has reached to over Rs 400 million made by PPP candidate Ex MNA Syed Akhuzada Chitan is a very serious charge, and if it is true, the perception of CEC will be damaged.

The announcement by Jamat e Islami, Chief Sirajul Haq, that Pakistani senate has become an open market where anyone can come and buy a seat, and the whole country to start nation-wide sit-ins if Senate elections get rigged must be given due consideration by the ECP to avoid such a situation in future.

ECP shall contact both national leaders for substantiation of their allegations.

All candidates' legal requirements for running in the senate elections shall be scrutinised according to Articles 62 and 63 of the Constitution, **which state the necessary qualifications for induction in the Parliament**, and also if ECP finds any parliamentarian involved in selling of vote, not only such act shall debar the seller under same articles, and such person and vote buyer shall also be tried under NAO 1999 for corruption and corrupt practice.

Transparency International Pakistan is striving for across the board application of Rule of Law, which is the only way to stop corruption.

With regards,

Sohail Muzaffar
Chairman

Copies forwarded for the information with request to take action under their mandate to check poll rigging allegations:

1. Secretary to Prime Minister, Islamabad.
2. Mr. Khurshid Shah, Leader of Opposition N.A. Islamabad.
3. Registrar, Supreme Court of Pakistan, Islamabad.

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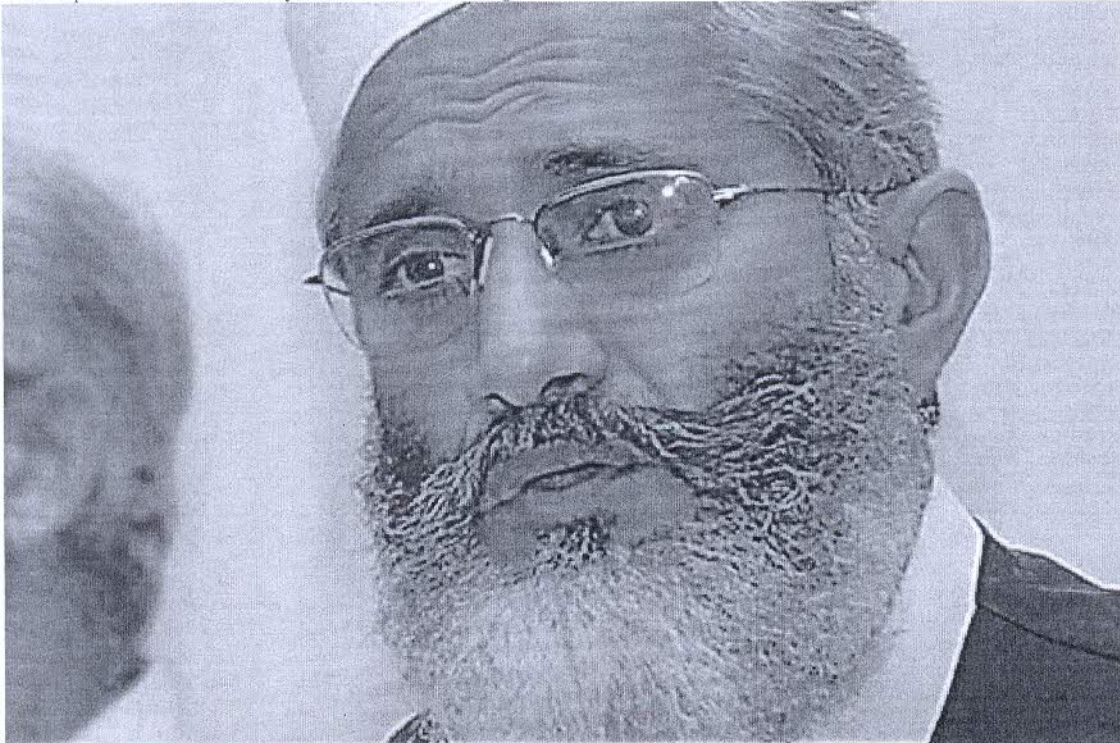


فاٹا سے سینئر بننے کیلئے بولی 40 کروڑ تک پہنچ گئی، اخوندزادہ چٹان کا انکشاف

اسلام آباد (آئی این پی) سینیٹ انتخابات میں فاٹا سے سینئر بننے کے لیے بولی 40 کروڑ تک پہنچ گئی، سینیٹ انتخابات دن بدن قریب آرہے ہیں اسی طرح سینئر بننے کے لیے بولی میں بھی اضافہ ہو رہا ہے اب فاٹا سے سینئر بننے کے لیے قیمت 40 کروڑ تک پہنچ گئی ہے۔ جمعرات کو اس حوالے سے پیپلز پارٹی کے امیدوار اخوندزادہ چٹان سے استفسار کیا گیا تو انہوں نے بتایا کہ فاٹا سے سینئر بننے کے لیے بولی 40 کروڑ تک پہنچ گئی ہے سیاسی قیادت کو گزشتہ انتخابات کی طرح مل بیٹھ کر ممبران کی خرید و فروخت کو روکنا ہوگا، دریں اثناء دیگر ذرائع کے مطابق فاٹا میں سینئر کیلئے ووٹ کی بولی 25 کروڑ جبکہ پی کے پی کے اسمبلی کے ارکان کو ووٹ کیلئے 3 سے 6 کروڑ روپے کی پیشکش کی جا رہی ہے۔

We will start sit-ins if Senate election gets rigged: Sirajul Haq

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Pakistani senate has become an open market where anyone can come and buy a seat: Sirajul Haq
ISLAMABAD (Dunya News) – Sirajul Haq appealed whole country to start nation-wide sit-ins if Senate elections get rigged. He said that other countries select people for Senate, who are able and efficient enough to work for the people; while Pakistani senate has become an open market where anyone can come and buy a seat and those who win, use all means to get their money back double fold. “Election commission is responsible to make Senate elections clean and clear”, He added.

Sirajul Haq said that Pakistan’s situation cannot be changed until the interest-based economy system does not end.

He said that the whole country is victim of terrorism and facing instability, rich ones can afford to stay at home but poor population have to go out to earn and their lives everywhere are in danger.

He demanded the government to shift the weekly holiday back to Friday.