

ORDER SHEET
ELECTION APPELLATE TRIBUNAL SUKKUR.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE IRSHAD ALI SHAH)

Election Appeal No.S-10 of 2024

(Safia Baloch Vs Federation of Pakistan & others)

DATE OF HEARING	ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGE
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1. For Orders on CMA No. 09/2024 (Ex./A)
2. For hearing of main case.

08-01-2024.

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1. Deferred.
2. The appellant by way of instant appeal has impugned the order of the Returning Officer whereby his nomination paper to contest election from PS-24 (Sukkur-III) has been rejected mainly for the reason that it is not signed by her seconder and proposer. If those were missing, then the Returning Officer ought to have provided a chance to the appellant to have remedied such omission in terms of section 62 (9) (d) (ii) Election Act-2017. Both the seconder and proposer now by filing their affidavits have also owned the nomination paper of the appellant. The right to contest election could not be denied for technical reasons. As such the impugned order could not be sustained; consequently the nomination paper of the appellant shall be deemed to have been accepted with direction to Returning Officer to obtain the signatures of seconder and proposer on the nomination paper of the appellant on any working day.

The instant appeal is disposed of accordingly.

Judge/Appellate Tribunal