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Constitution

Pakistan Muslim League–N

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, at the turn of this century as the Muslims of India stood economically impoverished, politically isolated, disorganized, and demoralised a well meaning group of Muslim leaders assembled in Dacca on 30th December, 1906 and decided "that a political Association be formed styled All India Muslim League";

WHEREAS, the Muslim League adopted its definite ideology and creed in 1912 and defined its aims and objectives as under:–

Full responsible government of India with adequate and effective safeguards for Muslims.

1. To protect and advance the political, religious and other rights and interests of Muslim India.
2. To promote friendship and Union between the Muslims and other communities of India.
3. To maintain and strengthen brotherly relations between the Muslims of India and those of other countries".

WHEREAS, in 1936 when the federal scheme of government enshrined in the Government of India Act of 1935 threatened the vital interests of Indian Muslims, the Muslim League under the dynamic leadership of Quaid–e–Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah was transformed into an effective political vehicle for Aspirations of Muslim India.

WHEREAS, the historic resolution of 1940 and the emergence of an independent state, 7 years later is a testimony to the resolve and resilience of the Party as well as the caliber and dedication of its leadership;

WHEREAS, after partition of India and the creation of Pakistan, the Council of All India Muslim League in its last meeting held in Karachi December 14-15, 1947 resolved:

"The Council now calls upon Muslims of Pakistan and all other loyal citizens of the state to work for an ideal, democratic state based on social justice as an upholder of human freedom and world peace in which all its citizens will enjoy equal rights and be free from fear want and ignorance".

WHEREAS, it further resolved:

- (1) That in place of the All-India Muslim League there shall be separate Muslim League organizations for Pakistan and the Indian Union.
- (2) That all members of the Council of the All-India Muslim League for the time being who have become ordinarily residents of the territories comprised by Pakistan, or have settled therein, and all Muslim members of the Pakistan Constituent Assembly who are primary members of the Muslim League do hereby constitute the Council of Pakistan Muslim League"

WHEREAS, gradual political decline of Pakistan Muslim League unleashed undemocratic forces in the country resulting in repeated imposition of Martial Law, political moral and economic stagnation and ultimately disintegration of the country;

WHEREAS, upon lifting of restriction on political association in 1985, men and women dedicated to the ideals for which Pakistan was achieved undertook to

rekindle the ideas and ideals of Quaid-e-Azam and his worthy colleagues and re-established the Pakistan Muslim League;

WHEREAS, rapid popularity of Pakistan Muslim League in successive elections and resurgence of popular support for its ideals has now made it the largest political party of the country;

NOW THEREFORE, we the inheritors of the traditions of Muslim League and its political ideals, through the Council of Pakistan Muslim League, recommit ourselves through this Constitution which is reflective of our desire to realize the dreams of our forefathers and make Pakistan an ideal Islamic democratic state based on social justice, as an upholder of human freedom and world peace, in which all citizens will enjoy equal rights and be free from want, ignorance and fear.

CHAPTER- I

INTRODUCTORY

Name

1.The party shall be called Pakistan Muslim League-N, where the 'N' stands for the name of its founder Muhammad Nawaz Sharif

Aims and Objectives

2. The aims and objectives of the Pakistan Muslim League-N shall be:
- (i) To safeguard and preserve the sovereignty and integrity and to uphold the ideology of Pakistan;
 - (ii) To uphold and protect the constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
 - (iii) To ensure:-
 - (a) that the principles of democracy, freedom, equality, tolerance and social justice as enunciated by Islam are fully observed and enforced in Pakistan;
 - (b) that the Muslims of Pakistan are enabled to order their lives in the individual and collective spheres in accordance with the teachings and requirements of Islam as set out in the Holy Quran and the Sunnah;
 - (c) that the fundamental rights including, equality of opportunity and before law, social, economic and political justice, and freedom 'of thought, expression, belief, faith, worship and association, are guaranteed to all citizens of Pakistan,

- (d) that the legitimate interests of minorities are fully safeguarded and they are free to profess and practice their religion;
 - (e) that special and generous treatment shall be accorded to backward sections of population with a view to accelerate their educational, economic and social progress;
 - (f) that the independence and impartiality of the judiciary are fully secured and maintained ; and
 - (g) that practical steps are taken to advance the moral, material, social, economic and cultural life of the nation with a view to enable the people of Pakistan to attain their rightful and honoured place amongst the nations and make their full contribution towards peace, prosperity and progress of humanity.
- (iv) to establish and maintain friendly relations with other peace loving nations of the world and specially to strengthen fraternal relations and solidarity with other Muslim States;
 - (v) to promote the cause of peace, freedom, justice and democracy throughout the world; and
 - (vi) to take practical steps from time to time for the achievement and furtherance of these aims.
 - (vii) Members of PML–N shall uphold the constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan and shall not undermine the sovereignty and integrity of Pakistan public order to public morality or indulge in corrupt practices or terrorism and shall not promote sectarian regional or provincial hatred or animosity.
 - (viii) The Pakistan Muslim League–Nawaz under the leadership of its founder, Mohammad Nawaz Sharif became a popular political party, turned Pakistan into an atomic power, withstood atrocities of dictators and

whenever the people of Pakistan voted for him to lead the country, he returned public good in the form of economic growth, stability, infrastructure and projects for the welfare of the masses. In recognition of all these successes attributable directly to his leadership, the party unanimously designated on Mohammad Nawaz Sharif the title of PML-N Quaid for life.

Party Flag:

3. The flag of Pakistan Muslim League-N shall be green, with a crescent and a star in the middle, as adopted by the All India Muslim League.

CHAPTER II

The Central Organization

ORGANISATION

4. By virtue of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the Pakistan Muslim League–Nawaz ("PML–N") shall continue to be a democratic political organization
5. The organization of the PML–N shall consist of :–
 - (i) The Convention of the PML–N constituted under Article 23;
 - (ii) The Council of PML–N as constituted under Article 29;
 - (iii) The Central Working Committee of PML–N as constituted under Article 44 ;
 - (iv) The Central Parliamentary Board of the PML–N under Article 53;
 - (v) The Provincial Muslim League–s as constituted and affiliated to PML–N under Article 60–61;
 - (vi) Islamabad Federal Capital Muslim League–N as constituted under Article 89, 90;
 - (vii) Divisional Muslim League–N constituted under Article 94.
 - (viii) Cantonment Board Muslim League–N constituted under Article 112.
 - (ix) Provincial Constituency Muslim League–N as constituted under Article 116.
 - (x) The District, Corporation and City Muslim League–N and their branches as constituted under Articles 96–100;
 - (xi) Specialized Wings of Pakistan Muslim League–N as constituted under Articles 55–59;
 - (xii) Azad Jammu & Kashmir Muslim League–N under Articles 92–93
 - (xiii) Gilgit Baltistan Muslim League–N Under Article 92, 93;
 - (xiv) Overseas Branches of the Pakistan Muslim League–N as constituted and affiliated to PML–N under Articles 128–134.

Qualifications for membership

6. Membership of the PMLN–N shall be open to all adult citizens of Pakistan who are not members of any other political organization declared as such by the Central Working Committee of the Pakistan Muslim League–N ("CWC") and that he/she:
 - (i) signs a declaration that he/she is in agreement with the aims and objects of the PML–N and will abide by its rules and constitution; and
 - (ii) pays the prescribed subscription in advance.
7. Only members of the PML–N will be eligible to become office bearers of different tiers of the Party.
8. The triennial subscription for the membership of Primary Muslim League–N as determined periodically by the CWC shall expire on the last day of December, every 5th year irrespective of the date of enrolment;
- 8A. The membership fee of the party will be Rs. 20/- per year and the party will issue membership card/certificate to each member of the party.

Office–Bearers

9. There shall be the following office–bearers of the Pakistan Muslim League–N:
 - (A)**
 - (a) Chairman
 - (b) President
 - (c) Senior Vice Presidents as may be necessary
 - (d) Vice Presidents as may be necessary
 - (e) Secretary General
 - (f) Additional Secretary General one
 - (g) Deputy Secretary General as may be necessary
 - (h) Assistant Secretary General as may be necessary
 - (i) Finance Secretary
 - (j) Information Secretary
 - (k) Secretary Legal/Constitutional and Election matters
 - (l) Membership Secretary
 - (m) Joint Secretary(s) as may be necessary

The President may assign the Vice Presidents specific responsibilities for streamlining party operations in accordance with party constitution.

(B) President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis

Electoral College

10. The President and all Central Office- Bearers shall be elected by the PML- N Council.

Resignation

11. An Office-Bearer may resign from his office and such resignation may be addressed to the President or Secretary General of the PML-N, as the case may be.

Chairman

12. Chairman will perform such functions as the President or the CWC may assign him to perform.

President

- 13 (a) The President of the PML- N shall be the Head of the entire organization shall exercise all the powers inherent in his office and shall ensure that the Office- Bearers and PML-N organizations work in consonance with the PML-N Constitution rules, and any bye-laws adopted under it. .
- (b) President may nominate any member of party as Office Bearer(s) of the party as defined in Article 9 till the election for the respective office(s) is held.
- (c) The President may ask or appoint one or more Vice Presidents to serve as Senior Vice President(s). He may also appoint other Secretaries for specific subject. The President may ask one of the Senior Vice President/Vice President to act as Acting President. He may also appoint a Chief Organizer to undertake

organizational work of the Party, and may appoint more Additional Secretary General (s), if so necessary.

- (d) The President may appoint a Central Executive Committee from within the members of the CWC to assist him in the exercise of his powers and discharge of his functions and for this purpose may entrust to the Central Executive Committee specific tasks, regarding which implementation report shall be submitted to him for approval.
- (e) The President may either himself sign party tickets for election to the Senate, National Assembly, Provincial Assembly, local government, including bye-elections or may authorize in writing any other office bearer to do so.

Acting President

- 14. During the temporary absence or illness of the President or for any other reason, the President may nominate one of the Senior Vice Presidents or Vice Presidents to perform his functions for that period; Provided that the powers of forming, expanding, reshuffling or reconstituting the CWC or of nominating members of the Council under Article 29(i), shall not be exercisable by the Acting President.

Vacancy of the Office of President

- 15. If the office of the President falls vacant due to death or resignation or any other reason before the expiry of the term of his office, it shall be duty of the Secretary General to convene within seven days a meeting of the CWC to elect an Acting President and fix a date for the meeting of the Council of PML-N within 45 days of the occurrence of the vacancy to elect the President.

The Secretary General

- 16. The Secretary General shall exercise all the powers delegated to him by the President, CWC or the Council of the PML-N.

17. The Secretary General shall exercise all the powers and discharge all duties laid down and incidental to the enforcement of the PML-N constitution, any rules or by-laws.
18. The Secretary General shall appoint and supervise the work of the staff of the Central Secretariat of the PML-N.
19. The Secretary General shall have the authority to grant leave of absence with or without pay to staff and the authority to punish or suspend them but all cases of dismissal shall be reported to the CWC.
20. The Secretary General, in case of emergency and relating to the matters not affecting the fundamental principles of the Constitution of the PML-N, may with the approval of the President, take such action on behalf of the CWC as he deems expedient; provided that any action so taken shall be reported to the CWC at the next meeting for confirmation.
- 20(A). Secretaries assigned different functions shall assist the Secretary General and perform such duties under his guidance as may be entrusted to them.
- 20(B) Secretary General with the approval of President, shall issue agenda for the regular CWC meeting at least 03 days before the date of the meeting.

Additional Secretary General

- 20(C) The Secretary General with the consent of the President may delegate any of his/her power(s) to the Additional Secretary General.
During his/her temporary absence or illness or for any other reason, the Secretary General with the consent of the President may delegate his/her power(s) to the Additional Secretary General.

Deputy Secretary General (s)

21. Deputy Secretary General(s) will assist Secretary General/Additional Secretary General in his/her functions.

Assistant Secretary Generals

22. Assistant Secretary General(s) will assist Secretary General, Additional Secretary General or Deputy Secretary General(s) in mobilization and organizational development of PML-N.

The Convention

23. The Convention of the PML-N shall consist of the following:
- (a) The Members of the PML-N Council;
 - (b) The Members of the Provincial Muslim League-N Councils;
 - (c) The President and General Secretary of Divisional Muslim League-N;
 - (d) The President and General Secretary of a District, Corporation, Cantonment Board and City Muslim League-N;
 - (e) Three delegates nominated by each District ,Corporation , Cantonment Board and, City Muslim League Council;
 - (f) 30 delegates nominated by Muslim League-N Gilgit Baltistan and 60 delegates to be nominated by Muslim League-N Azad Jammu & Kashmir.
 - (g) The President and General Secretary of Overseas Branches of PML-N in each country or their nominees; and
 - (h) Other persons invited by the President provided the persons invited are members of the PML-N.

Time and venue of Session

24. A session of the Convention of the PML-N may be held at such time and place as the CWC or the President of the PML-N may determine.
25. Every member of the Convention shall pay a fee of Rs.50 before attending a session, or any fee determined by CWC from time to time. The CWC or the President may waive the payment of fee.

Quorum

26. The quorum for a session of the Convention shall be one fourth of the total membership.

Functions

27. The Convention may periodically review the affairs of PML-N and recommend measures to strengthen the party.
28. The CWC of the PML-N shall act as a subject Committee to frame and adopt resolutions to be placed before the Convention.

The Council

29. The Council of the Pakistan Muslim League-N ('the Council') shall consist of the following:
 - (a) 700 members elected by the Council of Punjab Provincial Muslim League-N.
 - (b) 300 members elected by the Council of Sindh Provincial Muslim League-N.
 - (c) 280 members elected by the Council of KPK Provincial Muslim League-N.
 - (d) 80 members elected by the Council of Baluchistan Provincial Muslim League-N.
 - (e) 30 members elected by the Council of Islamabad Federal Capital Territory Muslim League-N.
 - (f) 20 members nominated by Muslim League-N Gilgit Baltistan.
 - (f)-a 80 members to be nominated by Muslim League-N Azad Jammu & Kashmir
 - (g) The Presidents and General-Secretaries of the Provincial Muslim Leagues and the Islamabad Federal Capital Territory Muslim League-N.
 - (h) The Office-bearers of the Pakistan Muslim League-N, including Presidents and General Secretaries of Specialized Wings at the Central and Provincial levels.
 - (i) 200 members nominated by the President to provide adequate representation to special interest groups.
 - (j) The President and General Secretary of Overseas

Branches of Pakistan Muslim League–N in each country.

Ex-officio Members

30. The Members of the Senate, National Assembly, and Provincial Assemblies who belong to the PML–N Parliamentary Party shall be ex-officio members of the PML–N Council.

Term of Office

31. Duration of the membership of the PML– Council shall be 4 years, but members would continue to serve in the Council until new members are elected to replace them.
32. The President shall, twelve months before the expiry of the term of the Council, notify the date by which the constituent bodies should elect their representatives to the Council of PML–N.
33. In case a Provincial Muslim League–N Council fails to elect their representatives within the prescribed period, the President assisted by the CWC of PML–N shall have the power to nominate members from the defaulting Province.

Attendance Fee

34. Every member of the Council shall pay, in advance, a fee of Rs. 100, before attending a session or any fee determined by CWC from time to time. The fee may be waived by the President or the CWC.

Meetings of the Council

35. (a) The Council shall meet at the discretion of the President, provided that at least one meeting in every calendar year is convened.
- (b) President may convene a special meeting of the Council at any time to discuss party organizational as well as any other matters deemed fit.

Requisition for Council Meeting

36. A special meeting of the Council may be convened if the Secretary General receives a written requisition signed by one third of the total membership, stating the purpose for which the meeting is required to be convened. The requisitioned meeting shall be convened within 30 days of the receipt of such requisition, failing which the members requisitioning the meeting shall be entitled to convene the meeting themselves.

Prior Notice of the Meeting

37. The Secretary General shall, not less than 07 days prior to the ordinary meeting and 05 days prior to special meeting, issue to members a notice stating the time and place of the meeting. A press announcement to that effect shall also be made by the Secretary General.

Agenda of the meeting

38. The agenda of every ordinary meeting shall be issued at least 03 days before the meeting, provided that this period may be curtailed by the President if necessary. .
39. The Members must notify the Secretary General 3 days before the meeting, if they want to table a resolution giving the text of the same.
40. The President may with the consent of the Council permit the discussion of a subject even though the requirement of notice has not been fulfilled.

Quorum

41. One third of total membership shall form the quorum of a meeting of the Council.

Functions of the Council

42. The Council shall perform the following functions:
- (a) To elect the Central office-bearers as provided in Articles; 10;
 - (b) To amend the Constitution of PML-N on the recommendations of the CWC;
 - (c) To consider and pass resolutions with regard to all matters, arising from time to time, relating to the aims and objects of the PML-N; and
 - (d) To affiliate, suspend, dissolve or disaffiliate a Provincial or Islamabad Federal Capital or an Overseas Branch, or other bodies /organizations of PML-N.

Delegation of Powers

43. The Council may delegate any one or more of its powers to the CWC, the President or any other office bearer with such limitations and conditions as it may deem fit to impose.

THE CENTRAL WORKING COMMITTEE

44. The Central Working Committee of PML-N ("CWC") shall consist of not less than 40 and not more than 80 members. It shall be nominated by the President from among the members of PML-N. The President shall nominate at least 30 members of the CWC within 60 days of his election. He shall have the power to expand, reshuffle or reconstitute the CWC or replace any particular member thereof whenever he deems necessary.
45. In addition, all Central office-bearers along with the Presidents and General Secretaries of Provincial Muslim Leagues, Islamabad Capital, Gilgit Baltistan, Azad Jammu & Kashmir Muslim League-N, Overseas Organization and specialized wings shall be ex-officio members of the CWC.

46. A person who ceases to be a member of the PML-N Council shall cease to be a member of the CWC.
47. The CWC may meet at least once every six months and as often as the President desires.
48. One third members excluding the office-bearers shall form a quorum for a meeting of CWC.
49. All resolutions of the CWC shall be placed before the Council for information, and any amendments to the Constitution shall be placed before the Council for its approval.

Functions of the Central Working Committee ('CWC')

50. The Central Working Committee ('CWC') shall be the principal executive organ of the PML-N and shall perform the following functions:
 - (i) To consider and pass resolutions and to take necessary steps with regard to matters arising from time to time relating to objective of the PM-N and to ensure that these are not inconsistent or at variance with the creed or policy of the PML-N or any resolution passed by the Convention or the Council of PML-N;
 - (ii) To take all necessary steps for giving, effect to resolutions passed at a session of the Convention or a meeting of the Council or of the CWC;
 - (iii) To appoint from time to time and supervise the activities of sub-committees or subsidiary bodies for carrying out such duties and functions as may be entrusted to them, such as to deal with the affairs connected with the finances and organization of the PML-N, its affiliated branches and its various wings, advancement of the party's aims and objectives and attend to the political challenges faced by PML-N;
 - (iv) To approve the annual budget and to authorize payments in accordance with it and to appoint auditors;
 - (v) To sanction all payments not included in the Budget;

- (vi) To employ and dismiss staff and to determine their emoluments;
- (vii) To collect and consider all information necessary and useful with reference to the aims and objectives of the PML-N;
- (viii) To ensure that PML-N Parliamentary Parties are established to function actively in various legislatures of the country; and
- (ix) To perform such other functions as the Convention or the Council may empower it to perform.

51. Powers of the Central Working Committee

- (a) To control, direct and regulate all activities of the various Provincial Muslim Leagues, Islamabad Federal Capital, Gilgit Baltistan Muslim League-N, Azad Jammu & Kashmir Muslim League-N, and Overseas Branches of Muslim League-N and specialized wings in consonance with the aims, objects, rules and declared policy of the PML-N;
- (b) To take disciplinary action against any member of the PML-N who violates the decisions of the of PML-N or acts in contravention of its aims and objectives, and also to hear appeals against the decisions of any other subsidiary body;
- (c) To suspend, dissolve or dis-affiliate members of Central, any Provincial, Divisional, District, Corporation or City, Cantonment Board Muslim League-N and other branches which fails in its duties or ignores the decisions or directions of the CWC or the Council or acts in contravention of such decisions or directions or hinders the progress of PML-N in any manner whatsoever subject to a right of appeal to the Council.
- (d) To take disciplinary action against any office-bearer or wing or organization affiliated to or forming part of the PML-N which falls in its duties, ignores the decisions or directions of the CWC or the Council or acts in a manner prejudicial to the interest of the PML-N, subject to a right of appeal to the Council; and

- (e) To appoint a Central Election Commission to organize and conduct elections in accordance with the relevant provisions in Part–VI. The Commission shall consist of not less than five members.
- (f) Propose any amendment to the Constitution of PML–N which shall be first passed by majority of present and voting members of CWC and shall be placed before Council in its special/annual meeting for final approval by majority of present voting members.

Delegation of Powers

- 52. The CWC may delegate any of its powers to the President or Secretary General with such limitations and restrictions, if any, as it may deem fit to impose.

The Central Parliamentary Board

- 53. (i) There shall be Central Parliamentary Board to be constituted by the President.
- (ii) The Central Parliamentary Board constituted or nominated under clause (i) shall function till the next general elections. The President may add or replace any member of the board.
- (iii) The President shall be ex-officio Chairman of the Board, and Provincial Presidents shall be ex-officio members of the Board. A member of the Board shall be nominated to act as its Secretary.

Functions of the Board

- 54. The Central Parliamentary Board shall perform the following functions:

- (a) To select in consultation with the respective Provincial Parliamentary Boards candidates for general election or a bye-election to the seats in the Parliament/Assemblies;
- (b) To ensure that Provincial Parliamentary Boards are properly constituted in every province as may be necessary and place their reports to the Central Parliamentary Board as may be necessary;
- (c) To supervise and control the activities of the Provincial Parliamentary Boards;
- (d) To hear and decide finally all appeals against the decisions of the Provincial Parliamentary Boards;
- (e) To approve rules and bye-laws framed by the Provincial Parliamentary Boards;
- (f) To frame bye-laws for the Central Parliamentary Board;
- (g) The Central Parliamentary Board may delegate any of its powers to its Chairman to be exercised in case of emergency and with such limitations as may be considered necessary;
- (h) Five members shall form the quorum of a meeting of the Central Parliamentary Board.

Specialized Wings

55. President PML–N shall nominate, from amongst the members of the Council, one person as President of each specialized wing of the Muslim League–N, and to head the central co–ordination committee of that wing. President shall also appoint, on the recommendations of the President of the Wing, the General Secretary of the Wing. The President of the wing and General Secretary of the wing shall jointly appoint other office–bearers of the wing.

55A. The organization of the PML–N shall consist of the following specialized wings:

- i) Women Wing.
- ii) Youth Wing.
- iii) Minority Wing
- iv) Lawyers Wing
- v) Trade and Industry Wing.
- vi) Business and Commerce
- vii) Labour Wing
- viii) Ulema Mashaikh Wing.
- ix) Kissan Wing.
- x) Teachers wing
- xi) Social Media Wing
- xii) Veteran Wing
- xiii) Cultural Wing

Any other Wing conducive to attain the objectives of PML–N. which shall be established with the approval of the President PML–N.

56. The Co–ordination Committee of each specialized wing will consist of Presidents and General Secretaries of respective wings from each province, Islamabad Federal Capital, Gilgit Baltistan, Azad Jammu and Kahsmir Muslim League–N (as and when organized).

57. Presidents, General Secretaries of the specialized wings of Provincial Muslim League-N will be appointed jointly by the President of the respective Provincial Muslim Leagues and the Central President of that wing.
58. The Provincial Presidents of a specialized wing, will in consultation with the Divisional/ District Muslim League-N, appoint the Presidents and General Secretaries of that wing in all the Divisions/Districts of their respective provinces.
59. The Presidents and General Secretaries of the specialized Wings at the Centre and the Provinces will be ex-officio members of Council and the Provincial Councils respectively.

CHAPTER–III

THE PROVINCIAL ORGANISATION

Provincial Muslim League–N

Provincial Organization

60. For each Province of Pakistan there shall be a Muslim League–N to be known as Provincial Muslim League–N and the area to be served by a Provincial Muslim League–N shall be co–extensive with the area of the Province for which it is constituted.
61. The organization of the Provincial Muslim League–N shall consist of:
- (i) Provincial Muslim League–N Council.
 - (ii) Working Committee of the Provincial Muslim League–N.
 - (iii) Provincial Executive Committee of the PML–N
 - (iv) Provincial Muslim League–N Parliamentary Board.
 - (v) Provincial Muslim League–N Election Tribunal.
 - (vi) Divisional Muslim League–N
 - (vii) District Muslim League–N.
 - (viii) Cantonment Board Muslim League–N
 - (ix) Corporation Muslim League
 - (x) City Muslim League–N.
 - (xi) Tehsil/Town Muslim League–N.
 - (xii) Union Council Muslim League–N.
 - (xiii) Primary Muslim League–N.
 - (xiv) All specialized wings listed in Article 55A
 - (xv) Any other Wing conducive to attain the objectives of PML–N. Provisions relating to the local organisations listed at No.(vi) – (xiii) above appear in Chapter IV (Article 94 to 127). Provisions relating to organisations listed at No. (xiv) above is listed in Chapter–II (Articles 55 to 59)

Provincial Council

62. (i) The Council of the Provincial Muslim League-N in each Province shall consist of members as shown below:
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|-----|--|------|
| (a) | Punjab | 1200 |
| (b) | Sindh | 600 |
| (c) | Khyber Pakhtunkhwa | 500 |
| (d) | Baluchistan | 200 |
| (e) | Federal Capital Pakistan Muslim League-N | 100 |
| (f) | Azad Jammu & Kashmir Muslim League-N | 200 |
| (f) | Gilgit Baltistan Muslim League-N | 100 |
- (ii) 10% members nominated by the President of a Provincial Muslim League-N after his/her election to provide adequate representation to women, labour, youth or any other interest group. Presidents and General Secretaries of specialized wings in each province shall be ex-officio members of the respective Provincial Councils.
- (iii) All members of the Parliament who are members of PML-N shall be ex-officio members of the Provincial Muslim League-N Council of the Province to which those members belong.
- (iv) All members of Provincial Assemblies who are member of Muslim League-N shall be ex-officio members of the Council of the Provincial Muslim League-N of the Province concerned.

Electoral College

63. The Members of the Provincial Muslim League-N Council shall be elected by the Councils of City, District, Corporations, Cantonment Boards Muslim Leagues according to the numbers of seats allocated for each District, Corporation,, City, Cantonment Board Muslim League-N by the Working Committee of the Provincial Muslim League-N, keeping

in view the population of each District, Corporation, City and Cantonment Board.

Functions of the Provincial Muslim League–N Councils

64. The Councils of the Provincial Muslim Leagues shall perform the following functions:
- (1) to elect Provincial office–bearers and members of the Council of the PML–N from the province concerned;
 - (2) to consider and pass resolutions with regard to all matters arising from time to time to carry out the purposes and aims and objects of the PML–N;
 - (3) to affiliate, suspend, dissolve or dis–affiliate any local organization specified under Article 61.

Delegation of Power

65. The Council may delegate any one or more of its powers to the Provincial Working Committee, the President or any other office bearer of the Provincial Muslim League–N with such limitations and conditions as it may deem fit to impose.

Term of Office

66. The term of the office of the members of the Council shall be four years but members will continue to serve until members of the Council are elected.

Meetings of the Council

67. (i) The Council of a Provincial Muslim League–N shall meet at the discretion of the Provincial President, provided that he/she may convene at least one meeting in every calendar year.

- (ii) The General Secretary of the Provincial Muslim League-N shall, in consultation with the Provincial President, announce the date, time and place of the meeting of the Council and shall issue an agenda at least 07 days before the date of the meeting.
68. One third of the total members of the Council may requisition the meeting for a special purpose. The General Secretary of the party shall convene the meeting within thirty days of the receipt of such notice or in case of the failure, the requisitionists may convene the meeting themselves.
69. A two-day notice before the date of the meeting of the Council shall be required by a member of the Council to move a resolution in the meeting of the Council.

Membership Fee

70. Every member of the Provincial Council shall pay Rs.50/- as annual subscription or as determined by the Provincial Working Committee, from time to time. A member who has not paid this subscription shall not be entitled to participate in the meeting of the Council. The Provincial President may waive the fee as deemed necessary.

Quorum

71. One-third of the total members of the Council shall form the quorum.

Office Bearers

72. The following shall be the office-bearers of the Provincial Muslim League-N:
- (1) President one

(2)	Senior Vice President(s)	As may be necessary
(3)	Vice President(s)	As may be necessary
(4)	General Secretary	one
(5)	Additional General Secretary	one
(6)	Deputy General Secretarie(s)	As may be necessary
(7)	Information Secretary	one
(8)	Finance Secretary	one
(9)	Membership Secretary	one
(10)	Joint Secretarie(s)	As may be necessary

The Provincial President may ask or nominate one or more Vice Presidents to serve as Senior Vice President. He may also appoint a Chief Organizer to undertake organizational work of the Party, whenever necessary. In addition to the Information Secretary and Finance Secretary, the Provincial Working Committee may appoint other secretaries for different functions and more Additional General Secretaries, if necessary.

Term of Office

- 73. Every office-bearer shall hold office for a term of four years. He may resign from his office by a letter addressed to the President or the General Secretary. The vacancy in the office bearers shall be filled by the Working Committee of the Province concerned.

Powers of the Provincial President

- 74.(a) The President of a Provincial Muslim League-N shall be the Head of the Provincial organization in the Province concerned and shall exercise all the powers inherent in his office and shall see that all the authorities in the Province of his, jurisdiction work in consonance with the Constitution of the PML-N , rules and bye-laws.
- (b) The Provincial President may appoint a Provincial Executive Committee in consultation with the President from within the member of the

Provincial Working Committee to assist him in the exercise of his powers and discharge of his functions and for this purpose may entrust to the Provincial Executive Committee specific tasks, regarding which implementation report shall be submitted to him/her for approval.

- (c) The Provincial President may sign party tickets with the approval of the President for election to local bodies at all levels or may authorize in writing other office bearers to do so.

Acting President

- 75. During the absence or illness, or for any other reason, the Provincial President, may nominate one of the Senior Vice Presidents or Vice Presidents to perform the functions of the President; Provided that the powers of forming, expanding, reshuffling or reconstituting the Working Committee of the Provincial Muslim League–N or of nominating members of the Provincial Council, shall not be exercisable by any of the Acting Presidents.

Vacancy of the Office of President

- 76. If office of the Provincial President falls vacant due to death, resignation or any other reason before the expiry of the term of his/her office, President of PML–N shall ensure the vacant position of the Provincial President is filled within 60 days by exercising one of the following two options:
 - (i) President of PML–N may direct the Provincial General Secretary to convene a meeting of the Provincial Council to elect the new Provincial President within 60 days of such vacancy.
 - (ii) President of PML–N may nominate An Acting Provincial President. Once Provincial President has been nominated, the Provincial General Secretary shall convene a meeting of the Provincial Council within 60 days for election of Provincial President.

Duties of the General Secretary

77. The General Secretary shall exercise all the powers delegated to him by the Provincial Working Committee or, as the case may be the Council of the Provincial Muslim League–N. The General Secretary shall exercise all powers and discharge all the duties laid down by and incidental to the enforcement of the Constitution and generally to his office.
78. The General Secretary shall supervise the work of the staff of the Provincial Muslim League–N Secretariat.
79. The General Secretary shall have the authority to grant leave of absence with or without pay to the staff and the authority to punish or suspend them, but all cases of dismissal shall be reported to the Provincial Working Committee.
80. In case of emergency and in the matters not affecting the fundamental principles of the Constitution, the General Secretary may, with the approval of the President, take such actions on behalf of the Provincial Muslim League–N as he deems expedient. Provided that any action so taken shall be reported to the Provincial Working Committee at its next meeting for confirmation.

Other Functionaries

81. All secretaries assigned different functions and the Additional General Secretary, Deputy General Secretary(s), Joint Secretary(s) shall assist the General Secretary and perform such functions under his guidance as may be entrusted to them. During the absence or illness of the General Secretary for any reason, the President may nominate the Additional General Secretary or one of the Deputy or Joint Secretaries to act as General Secretary.

Provincial Working Committee

82. The Working Committee of the Provincial Muslim Leagues shall consist of no less than 12 and not more than 40 members. It shall be nominated by the President of the respective Provincial Muslim Leagues from amongst the members of the concerned Provincial Muslim League-N Council. The President of the respective Provincial Muslim League-N shall nominate at least 12 members of the Working Committee within 60 days of his/her election. He/She shall have the power to expand, reshuffle or reconstitute the Working Committee or replace any particular member thereof whenever he/she deems necessary. All the office-bearers of the respective Provincial Muslim League-N shall be ex-officio members of the Working Committee of the respective Provincial Muslim Leagues. The Working committee may meet as often as the President of the Provincial Muslim League-N desires and at least once in every three months. One third members excluding the office-bearers shall form a quorum for a meeting of the Working Committee. All the resolutions of Working Committee shall be placed before the Provincial Muslim League-N Council for information.

Functions

83. The Working Committee shall be the principal executive of the Provincial Muslim League-N and shall perform the following functions:
- (1) To consider and pass resolutions and to take necessary steps with regard to matters arising from time to time relating to objectives of the Provincial Muslim League-N and to ensure that these are not inconsistent or at variance with the creed or policy of the PML-N or any resolution passed by the Council of PML-N;
 - (2) To take all necessary steps for giving effect to resolutions passed at a session of the Council or the Working Committee;

- (3) To appoint from time to time and supervise the activities of sub-committees or subsidiary bodies for carrying out such duties and functions as may be entrusted to them, such as to deal with the affairs connected with the finances and organization of the Provincial Muslim League-N, and its various wings, advancement of the party's aims and objectives and attend to the political challenges;
- (4) To suspend, dissolve or disaffiliate any Divisional/District/Corporation/City, Cantonment Board Muslim League-N or their subsidiary organisations or wings, which fail in their duties or violate the decisions or directions of Provincial Muslim League-N or PML-N, subject to a right of appeal to the President PML-N;
- (5) To take disciplinary action against any member of the Provincial Muslim League-N who violates its decision or acts in contravention of the aims and objects and to hear appeals against the decision of any other subsidiary body;
- (6) To approve the annual budget and to authorize payments in accordance with it and to appoint Auditors;
- (7) To sanction all payments not included in the budget;
- (8) To nominate members of the Provincial Parliamentary Board and the Provincial Election Authority;
- (9) To collect and consider all information necessary and useful with reference to the aims and objectives of the Provincial Muslim League-N;
- (10) To perform such other functions as may be entrusted by the Council.

Provincial Parliamentary Boards

84. There shall be a Provincial Parliamentary Board consisting of at least 12 members to be appointed by the President PML-N. The President of the Provincial Muslim League-N shall be an ex-officio Chairman of the Parliamentary Board. The Board shall elect its own Secretary.

Functions

85. The Parliamentary Board shall perform the following functions:
- (a) To select the candidates for the Provincial Assemblies of the concerned Province in consultation with the respective district office bearers of the party.
 - (b) To recommend names of the candidates for election to the Parliament/Assembly in consultation with respective district office bearers of the party for the consideration of the Central Parliamentary Board.
 - (c) To see that Muslim League–N Parliamentary Parties are established in the Provincial Assemblies.
 - (d) To frame rules and bye–laws for the Provincial Parliamentary Board. The Provincial Parliamentary Board may delegate any of its powers to the Chairman to be exercised in the case of urgency, subject to such limitations as may be deemed necessary.
 - (e) One third members of the Provincial Parliamentary Board shall form the quorum of the meeting.
 - (f) Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Provincial Parliamentary Board may prefer an appeal to the Central Parliamentary Board.

Provincial Election Authority

86. Working Committee of the Provincial Muslim League–N may appoint a Provincial Election Authority consisting of at least 5 members, two of whom shall be from a Province other than the one in which elections are being held.

Functions

87. The functions of the Provincial Election Authority shall be:
- (a) to supervise the Party elections at all tiers in a Province;
 - (b) to frame bye–laws for its working.

Provincial Election Tribunal

88. The Working Committee of the Provincial Muslim League–N shall appoint a Provincial Election Tribunal which may consist of a Chairman

and two members. The Provincial Election Tribunal shall hear appeals and petitions against the election to any tier of the party in a Province.

ISLAMABAD FEDERAL CAPITAL MUSLIM LEAGUE-N

89. For the Islamabad Capital Area there shall be Muslim League-N known as Islamabad Federal Capital Muslim League-N and the area to be served by the Federal Capital Muslim League-N shall be co-extensive with the area of the Federal Capital.
90. The Council of Islamabad Federal Area Muslim League-N shall consist of 100 members to be elected by the Council of District Muslim League-N and City Muslim League-N in the following manner:
District Muslim League-N (Rural) 50
City Muslim League-N (Urban) 50
91. All the provisions of the Constitution relating to the Provincial Muslim League-N in Chapter-III and Local Organizations in Chapter-IV, shall mutatis mutandis apply in case of Islamabad Federal Capital Muslim League-N as far as applicable.

Azad Jammu and Kashmir & GILGIT BALTISTAN MUSLIM LEAGUE-N

92. The Council of Gilgit Baltistan Muslim League-N shall consist of 100 members.
- 92-A The Council of Azad Jammu and Kashmir shall consist of 100 members.
93. The provisions of the Constitution relating to the Provincial Muslim League-N and Local Organizations shall mutatis mutandis apply to Gilgit Baltistan Muslim League-N.
- 93-A The provisions of the constitution relating to the Provincial Muslim League-N and local organizations shall mutatis mutandis apply to PML-N Azad Jammu Kashmir.

CHAPTER – IV

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Divisional Muslim League Organization

94. A Divisional Muslim League–N organization may be established in an administrative Division in any province or region of Pakistan, with the approval of President PML–N. President of the relevant province shall appoint the office bearers for such a Divisional PML–N organization, with the approval of President PML–N. Divisional Muslim League–N organizations shall perform the functions of monitoring and coordinating the organizational activities of all the District PML–N Organizations located inside the respective Divisions. Divisional Muslim League–N organization shall report to the Provincial organization and shall discharge duties assigned by the Provincial organization.

Office Bearers

95. The following shall be the office–bearers of the Divisional Muslim League–N, as and when established:

(1)	President	One
(2)	Senior Vice President(s)	As may be necessary
(3)	Vice President(s)	As may be necessary
(4)	General Secretary	One
(5)	Additional General Secretary	One
(6)	Deputy General Secretary (s)	As may be necessary
(7)	Information Secretary	One
(8)	Finance Secretary	One
(9)	Membership Secretary	One
(10)	Joint Secretary(s)	As may be necessary

Other secretaries for different functions and more Additional General Secretaries may also be appointed, if necessary.

District Muslim League–N

96. There shall be District Muslim League–N in each district of country.

Office Bearers

97. The following shall be the office–bearers of a District Muslim League–N:

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|-----|------------------------------|---------------------|
| (1) | President | one |
| (2) | Senior Vice President(s) | As may be necessary |
| (3) | Vice President(s) | As may be necessary |
| (4) | General Secretary | one |
| (5) | Additional General Secretary | one |
| (6) | Finance Secretary | one |
| (7) | Information Secretary | one |
| (8) | Membership Secretary | one |
| (9) | Joint Secretary(s) | As may be necessary |

The District Council

98. The Council of the District Muslim League–N shall consist of the representatives of the Tehsil, Provincial Constituency, City, Corporation, Town and Cantonment Board Muslim Leagues. Every Tehsil, Provincial Constituency, Town and Cantonment Board Muslim League–N falling in that district shall elect members up to a maximum of 200, as members of District Muslim League–N Council as approved by the Provincial President.

Working Committee

99. The President of the District Muslim League–N as the case may be, shall nominate a Working Committee consisting of 25 members. The office-bearers of the District, City, Corporation, Cantonment Board Muslim Leagues shall be the ex-officio members of the Working Committee. There may be at least one meeting every three months.

Corporation/City Muslim League–N

100. In all the Municipal Corporations and Municipal Committees, Corporation/ City Muslim Leagues shall be formed. The Working Committee of a Provincial Muslim League–N shall have the power to allow the formation of more than one City Muslim League–N considering the density of population of a big city. City Muslim Leagues in a Municipal Corporation will be directly under the Provincial Muslim League–N. Other City Muslim Leagues will work under their respective District Organisations.

Council of City Muslim League–N

101. The Council of the City Muslim League–N shall consist of elected representative of the Union Councils Muslim League–N with minimum number of 100 upto 200 in case of bigger cities as approved by Provincial Muslim League–N.

Office Bearers

102. The following shall be the office-bearers of a Corporation/City Muslim League–N:
- | | | |
|-----|------------------------------|---------------------|
| (1) | President | one |
| (2) | Senior Vice President(s) | As may be necessary |
| (3) | Vice President (s) | As may be necessary |
| (4) | General Secretary | one |
| (5) | Additional General Secretary | one |

(6)	Finance Secretary	one
(7)	Information Secretary	one
(8)	Membership Secretary	one
(9)	Joint Secretarie(s)	As may be necessary
(10)	Office Secretary	one

Working Committee

103. The President of the Corporation or City Muslim League-N as the case may be, shall nominate a Working Committee consisting of 25 members. The office-bearers of the Corporation/City Muslim Leagues shall be the ex-officio members of the Working Committee. There may be at least one meeting every three months.

Tehsil and Town Muslim Leagues

104. There shall be a Tehsil Muslim League-N 'in each Tehsil. Similarly there shall be a Muslim League-N in every Town which has a Town Committee in a notified area. All Tehsil and Town Muslim Leagues shall be affiliated to the District Muslim League-N. The Provincial President may also authorize the setting up of PML-N units on a provincial constituency basis instead of a Tehsil.
105. The Tehsil and Town Muslim League-N shall supervise the activities of the Union Council Muslim League-N within their respective territorial jurisdiction, and shall be authorised to affiliate or dis-affiliate the Union Council Muslim League-N. Any Union Council Muslim League-N aggrieved by the decision of the Tehsil Muslim League-N shall have the right of appeal to the Working Committee of the District Muslim League-N.

Composition of Tehsil/Town Muslim League–N Council

106. The Council of the Tehsil/Town shall consist of the elected representatives from Union Council Muslim Leagues with minimum number of 100 and upto 200 as approved by the Provincial PML–N.

Meetings

107. The Tehsil/Town Muslim League–N Council shall meet as often as the President desires, but may meet at least three times in a calendar year. The quorum of the meeting of the Council shall be one fifth of its total membership.
108. One tenth of the total members of the Tehsil/Town Council may requisition a meeting of the Council for a definite purpose which shall be stated in the Requisition Notice. The General Secretary of the Tehsil/Town Muslim League–N shall be bound to summon the meeting of the Council within fifteen days of the receipt of the notice. If the General Secretary fails to do so, the members requisitioning the Council meeting shall have the right to summon the meeting.

Membership Fee

109. Every Councillor of the Tehsil/Town Council shall pay Rs.20/- as annual subscription to the Tehsil/Town Muslim League–N, failing which he shall not be allowed to attend the meeting of the Council. The fee may be waived by the Permission of the Provincial President.

Office–Bearers of Tehsil/Town Muslim League–N

110. (i) The Council of the Tehsil/Town Muslim League–N shall elect the following office–bearers from amongst its members:

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|-----|------------------------------|------------------------|
| (1) | President | one |
| (2) | Senior Vice President(s) | (as may be necessary) |
| (3) | Vice President(s) | (as may be necessary) |
| (4) | General Secretary | one |
| (5) | Additional General Secretary | one |
| (6) | Financial Secretary | one |
| (7) | Information Secretary | one |
| (8) | Membership Secretary | one |
| (9) | Joint Secretary(s) | (as many as necessary) |

- (ii) The election of the office bearers shall take place in a meeting of the Council for its approval.

Working Committee

111. (i) The President of the Tehsil and Town Muslim League–N shall, within ten days of his election, nominate the Working Committee consisting of fifteen members out of the members of the Council. All the office bearers of the Tehsil/Town Muslim League–N shall be ex-officio members of the Working Committee.
- (ii) The quorum of the meeting of the Working Committee shall be one third members excluding the office-bearers. There shall be at least one meeting every three months.

Cantonment Board Muslim League–N

112. Where Provincial Muslim League–N deems necessary, it may establish a Cantonment Board Muslim League–N with the approval of President PML–N to monitor and coordinate activity in the jurisdiction of the respective Cantonment Board. Cantonment Board Muslim League–N shall function under the supervision of the respective District Muslim League–N.

Office Bearers

113. The office bearers of Cantonment Board Muslim League–N shall be as follows:

(1)	President	One
(2)	Senior Vice President(s)	As may be necessary
(3)	Vice President(s)	As may be necessary
(4)	General Secretary	one
(5)	Additional General Secretary	One
(6)	Information Secretary	One
(7)	Finance Secretary	One
(8)	Membership Secretary	one
(9)	Joint Secretarie(s)	As may be necessary

Council of Cantonment Board Muslim League–N

114. The Council of Cantonment Board Muslim League–N shall consist of 100 members elected from Cantonment Board Wards as approved by District Muslim League–N.

Working Committee

115. (i) The President of the Cantonment Board Muslim League–N shall, within ten days of his election, nominate the Working Committee consisting of fifteen members out of the members of the Council.
- (ii) The quorum of the meeting of the Working Committee shall be one third members excluding the office–bearers. There may be at least one meeting every three months.

Provincial Constituency Muslim League–N Organization

116. Provincial Constituency Muslim League–N organizations may be established in provincial constituencies of Pakistan, with the approval of President PML–N. President and General Secretary of the relevant province shall appoint the office bearers for the Provincial Constituency Muslim League–N, if and when established in consultation with District PML–N.

Provincial Constituency Muslim League–N Council

117. The Council of the Provincial Constituency Muslim League–N shall consist of elected representative of the UC Muslim League–N with minimum number upto 100 as approved by Provincial Muslim League–N.

Provincial Constituency Working Committee

118. (i) The President of the Provincial Constituency Muslim League–N shall, within ten days of his election, nominate the Working Committee consisting of fifteen members out of the members of the Council.
- (ii) The quorum of the meeting of the Working Committee shall be one third members excluding the office–bearers. There may be at least one meeting every three months.

Office Bearers

119. The following shall be the office bearers of the Provincial Constituency Muslim League–N, as and when established:

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|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| (i) President | One |
| (ii) Senior Vice President(s) | as may be necessary |
| (iii) Vice President(s) | as may be necessary |
| (iv) General Secretary | One |
| (v) Additional General Secretary | One |
| (vi) Deputy General Secretary(s) | as may be necessary |
| (vii) Information Secretary | One |
| (viii) Finance Secretary | One |
| (ix) Membership Secretary | One |
| (x) Joint Secretaries | as may be necessary |

In addition to the Information Secretary and Finance Secretary, other secretaries for different functions and more Additional General Secretaries may also be appointed, if necessary.

Union Council Muslim League–N

120. There shall be a Union Council Muslim League–N in each Union Council which shall be the Primary Muslim League.

Office Bearers

121. The office bearers of Union Council Muslim League–N shall be as follows:

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|------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| (1) | President | One |
| (2) | Senior Vice President(s) | as may be necessary |
| (3) | Vice President (s) | as may be necessary |
| (4) | General Secretary | One |
| (5) | Additional General Secretary | One |
| (6) | Deputy General Secretary | as may be necessary |
| (7) | Information Secretary | One |
| (8) | Finance Secretary | One |
| (9) | Membership Secretary | One |
| (10) | Joint Secretary(s) | |

Union Council Muslim League–N Council

122. The Council of the UC Muslim League–N shall consist of upto 100 members elected from Primary Muslim League–N as approved by District Muslim League–N.

Union Council Working Committee

123. (i) The President of the Union Council Muslim League–N shall, within ten days of his election, nominate the Working Committee consisting of fifteen members out of the members of the Council.
- (ii) The quorum of the meeting of the Working Committee shall be one third members excluding the office–bearers. There may be at least one meeting every three months.

Primary Muslim League–N

124. There shall be a Primary Muslim League–N in every:
- (1) village where there are at–least 200 members of the Muslim League–N. A Primary Muslim League–N may initially be started with 50 members only. The Working Committee of the District Muslim League–N may allow more than one Primary Muslim League–N in a village or more than one villages to be grouped together to form a Primary Muslim League–N; and
- (2) Ward of a City having at–least 200 members. Primary Muslim League–N may initially be started with 50 members only. The Working Committee of the City Muslim League–N may allow more than one Primary Muslim Leagues in a ward.

Office-Bearers of Primary Muslim League-N

125. The following shall be the office-bearers of a Primary Muslim League-N:

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|------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| (1) | President | one |
| (2) | Senior Vice President(s) | As may be necessary |
| (3) | Vice President (s) | As may be necessary. |
| (4) | General Secretary | one |
| (5) | Additional General Secretary | one |
| (6) | Deputy General Secretary (s) | As may be necessary. |
| (7) | Finance Secretary | one |
| (8) | Information Secretary | one |
| (9) | Membership Secretary | one |
| (10) | Joint Secretary(s) | As may be necessary |
| (11) | Office Secretary | one |

126. Every member of the Primary Muslim League-N shall be the member of its Council. The Council shall elect the office-bearers of the Primary Muslim League-N.

Working Committee of Primary Muslim League-N

127. The President of the Primary Muslim League-N in consultation with other office bearers shall nominate his Working Committee consisting of 15 members. The office-bearers of the Primary Muslim League-N shall be ex-office members of the Working Committee. There may be at least one meeting every three months.

CHAPTER – V

‘International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis’ Organization

128. PML-N always acknowledges and serves our overseas diaspora. Their welfare and rights including representation, grievances, representations will be its one of the priorities.

Overseas Branches

129. The PML-N shall have its branches in all such countries where fifty or more members of PML-N reside permanently. More than one country may form a joint branch in exceptional circumstances with prior approval of President PML-N. Foreign passport holders who were born in Pakistan (dual nationals), or having Pakistan Origin will also be eligible to become members of an Overseas branch.

Organizational Structure

130. (a) The President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis shall be the incharge of Overseas organization and shall appoint all the office bearers of Overseas organization in consultation with the President PML-N.
- (b) The following shall be the office bearers of the Central Overseas Organization:
- (i) President
 - (ii) Senior Vice President(s) As may be necessary

- (iii) General Secretary one
- (iv) Finance Secretary
- (v) Chief Coordinator
- (vi) Coordinator(s) (for continents , region or country) As may be necessary
- (vii) Any other office as may be deemed necessary by the President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis to achieve the objectives of the Organization.

(b) The Overseas Branches shall comprise of the following members:

- (1) President
- (2) Senior Vice President(s) As may be necessary
- (3) Vice President(s) As may be necessary
- (4) General Secretary
- (5) Additional General Secretary one
- (6) Deputy General Secretary (s) As may be necessary
- (7) Information Secretary
- (8) Finance Secretary
- (9) Membership Secretary
- (10) Joint Secretary(s) As may be necessary
- (11) Social Media Incharge
- (12) Women Incharge
- (13) Business & Trade Incharge
- (14) Youth Incharge

The President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis can set up PML-N branches in each country / city with 50 or more PML-N members. Such branches, apart from electing their own office bearers will also elect one councillor for every 50 members to the council of the PML-N at the country level. This council will elect the office bearers for the country level branch of the PML-N. In other matters all overseas branches will function on the pattern of a Provincial Muslim League-N and, for that purpose, the provisions of the relevant Articles shall, mutatis mutandis apply. Variations may be made to suit local

conditions with the approval of President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis

Membership

131. Membership fee in each country will be fixed periodically by its Council, which will also determine the manner in which these funds are utilized. In the absence the President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis can fix Membership fee in each country until council is fully formed.

Affiliation

132. All Overseas branches shall be affiliated with the central organization of PML-N and shall function under the control and supervision of the President.

Organizing Committee

133. In countries, where a PML-N branch does not exist or in countries in which the branch needs to be re-organized, the President in consultation with the President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis may appoint an Organizing Committee to establish or re-organize the Overseas branch of PML-N and to hold elections at the appropriate time.

Representation on Central Bodies

134. The President and General Secretary from each Country shall be ex-officio member of the Council Convention of Central PML-N and shall have the power to nominate another member to represent them in the Convention but not in the Council. Chief Coordinator / Coordinators will be ex-officio member of the Council and the Convention of PML-N.
 - (a) Subscription fee of the overseas branches of PML-N shall be decided by the President PML-N in consultation with the President

International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis and funds thus generated shall be properly maintained, accounted and utilized with approval of President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis.

- (b) Party will not receive/accept aid or contribution, financial or otherwise, from any foreign government or political party of a Foreign Country or any portion of its funds from Foreign national.
- (c) Membership drive will be widened by each country President subject to approval of President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis.
- (d) Membership fee and overseas funds account will be set up and maintained under the command and control of the President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis and accounted to President PMLN.

CHAPTER – VI

ELECTIONS

Election Procedure

135. (a) The Pakistan Muslim League–N shall hold party elections at all levels in a free and fair manner either by show of hands or by secret ballot, if required, based on democratic and transparent principles.
- (b) The party will hold election after expiry of 4 years term from the date of previous elections at Central/Provincial/Local levels either by show of hands or by secret ballot
- (c) **Eligibility:** Any member of the electoral college may contest election for the offices for which electoral college is constituted.
- (d) All office–bearers of PML–N shall hold office till the next election and shall be eligible for re–election. If not re–elected the seat will be considered vacant until filled as provided herein.

Central Election Commission

136. Elections of Office–bearers of the PML–N at the national level, and under Article 15, shall be organized and conducted by the Central Election Commission.
137. The Central Election Commission shall consist of not less than five members appointed by the CWC prior to each election. The existing

office bearers of PML-N and the candidates for an election shall not be eligible to become members of the Commission.

Provincial Election Authority

138. The Provincial Election Authority nominated by the Provincial Working Committees shall organize and conduct election of office-bearers of the Provincial Muslim League-N. It shall consist of no less than five members of which at least two shall be from outside the Province concerned. The existing office-bearers of Provincial Muslim League-N and the candidates for an election shall not be eligible to become members of the authority.

District Election Authority

139. The District Election Authority shall organize and conduct elections at the District and local level. Each such Commission consisting of no less than five members shall be appointed by the Working Committee of the respective Provincial Muslim League-N and at least two of its members shall be from out-side the District concerned. The existing office-bearers of Provincial and Central Muslim League-N and the candidates for any District and local organisation of the party shall not eligible to become members of the Authority.

Electoral College

140. The President, Chairman, Office-bearers, President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis of PML-N shall be elected by the Council of PML-N and the President and Provincial Office bearers of a Provincial Muslim League-N shall be elected by the Council of Provincial Muslim League-N concerned. Similarly all tiers below, Muslim League-N Islamabad Capital Territory, Azad Jammu and Kashmir, and Gilgit Baltistan shall be elected by their respective councils.

Bye-Election

141. All casual vacancies arising in the ranks of the office-bearers shall be filled by the concerned Working Committee according to relevant provisions herein subject to subsequent confirmation/election by the Council of respective Muslim League-N as the case may be

Settlement of Election Disputes

142. The Working Committee concerned shall appoint an Election Tribunal for hearing of appeals and petitions against election to the respective organisations of Muslim League-N.
143. Each Election Tribunal shall consist of one Chairman and two members.
144. A Tribunal shall regulate its own procedure for hearing and disposal of appeals and petitions relating to election as expeditiously as possible.

CHAPTER – VII

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

Membership Fee

145. Every Provincial Muslim League–N shall pay to the Pakistan Muslim League 80% percent of its income from the membership or any other fee.

Party Ticket Fee

- 145(a) The President PML–N may fix the fee payable by candidates applying for party ticket for the Senate, National Assembly, Provincial Assembly and Local Councils elections and bye elections, and such fee shall be deposited through a cross cheque/ pay order payable to Central PML–N.

Accounts of Income

146. All fees received from members of the Convention and –the Council as well as donations and contributions collected from time to time shall be accounted for properly as income of the PML–N.

Deposit in Bank

147. The funds of the PML–N shall be deposited in the name of PML–N with a bank approved by the CWC.

Operation of Accounts

148. The Finance Secretary shall be authorized to operate the Bank account through any member nominated by the President.

Distribution of Funds

149. (a) All the funds shall be collected in the Bank Accounts maintained by the Central PML–N only and managed by the Central Finance Secretary, and distributed from these accounts to the Provinces and onwards as may be agreed.

- (b) No un–authorised account shall be maintained in the name of the PML–N. In case of any violation strict proceedings shall be initiated against the person by the Party.
- (c) Funds collected through the enrolment fee of the membership shall be distributed amongst the Primary Muslim League–N, Union Council Muslim League–N, Tehsil Muslim League–N, City Muslim League–N,
- (d) District Muslim League–N and Provincial Muslim League–N, in accordance with the instructions issued from time to time by the Provincial Muslim League–N.
- (e) No donation, contributions or funds (in any form) will be accepted from foreigners, multi national or domestically incorporated public or private company, firm, trade or professional associations. Party will only accept donations from party workers and Pakistani citizens.

Annual Statement of Finance and Accounts

- 150. Proper account of income and expenditure shall be maintained by the respective Finance Secretaries for a fiscal year at the Central, Provincial and Local level and the annual statement of finance and accounts shall be presented to the Working Committee concerned within two months of the close of financial year (July to June).

Audit of Accounts

- 151. The Secretary General and respective General Secretaries shall arrange audit of the accounts yearly and the report of audit shall be presented to the Working Committee concerned along with the Annual Statement of Finance and Accounts.

Submission of Accounts to Election Commission

152. The Finance Secretary of PML–N shall submit the statement of Finance and Accounts to the Working Committee for approval before its submission to the Election Commission of Pakistan as required under Elections Act, 2017.

Accounts of Overseas Branches

153. (a) The provisions of Article 147,150 and 151 shall also apply to the finances and accounts of the Overseas Branches of PML–N. Subscription fee shall be decided by each President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis and funds thus generated shall be properly maintained, accounted and utilized with approval of President International Affairs and Overseas Pakistanis
- (b) Party will not receive/accept aid or contribution, financial or otherwise, from any government or political party of a Foreign Country or any portion of its funds from Foreign national.

CHAPTER – VIII

MISCELLANEOUS

Amendment of Constitution

154. The Constitution of PML–N may be amended by the Council of PML–N by majority of the members present and voting on the recommendation of CWC, which will approve the proposed recommendations by majority members present and voting.

Decisions by Majority Vote

155. All matters shall be decided by majority of votes, provided that if division is demanded at a session, the voting shall be recorded in accordance with the number of members allocated to the provinces under the Constitution.

Powers to make rules

156. The President shall, with the approval of the CWC, make rules for carrying out the purposes of the Constitution.

Removal of Difficulty

157. If any difficulty arises 'in giving effect to any of the provisions of the Constitutions, the President PML–N may make such provisions for the removal of the difficulty as he may deem fit.

Office-bearers to hold Office till Election

158. If the term of an office-bearer, a member of a Committee or any other body of PML-N expires, he shall continue to perform his duties as such till his successor in office is elected, or as the case may be, nominated by the competent authority unless left vacant for any reason.

Membership of Parliamentary Party for Independent Members

159. Independent Members of the Parliament or Provincial Assemblies may become members of the Muslim League-N Parliamentary Party in the Parliament or as the case may be, in a Provincial Assembly by signing a pledge to the effect that they shall abide by the decisions or orders of the Parliamentary Party of PML-N from time to time.
160. If any dispute arises between member and party on Principles or aims and objectives of the party, the matter will be referred to 3 members committee constituted by the Party President or the Working Committee.

Performance Reports.

161. All Central office bearers and Provincial Organizations shall forward performance report to the Party President every quarter for presentation to CWC through Secretary General. Likewise, all district organizations and provincial office bearers shall present performance report to respective Provincial President for presentation to Provincial Working Committee through respective General Secretary.

Ethic and Discipline Committee

162. (a) There shall be a national and provincial level Ethics and Discipline Committee

- (b) Respective President shall nominate 5 members committee to be headed by a senior member in consultation with respective working committee.
- (c) Functions:
 - (i) The committee will perform functions of ensuring that the activities of office bearers at all levels are discharged in accordance with the constitutions of the party , with honesty and in accordance with the party discipline in light of directions given by the CWC.
 - (ii) Respective President or Working Committees may refer complaint against any office bearer of the party to respective ethic and discipline committee for investigation and recommendations to respective president for action.

163. Any member of the party shall have the right to get a copy of any proceeding/document of the party after paying requisite fee as decided by party from time to time.

164. No office bearer of the party will hold office in the service of Pakistan and party offices at a time.

165. A member or group of member of the party may nominate in writing any other member/group of the party as delegate to represent him or them and cast his/their vote in party meeting:

Provided that the so nominated member/members must be the member of that forum. The nominator must inform the party President and Secretary General/General Secretary in writing with his signature 5 days prior to the meeting with the name/names of the delegate.

166. It shall be ensured that membership of Convention, General Council and CWC has representation of 10% women and youth under the age of 35.

Definitions

167. In this Constitution,
- (a) "Article" means an Article of the Constitution of Pakistan Muslim League-N,
 - (b) "President" means the President of Pakistan Muslim League-N referred to under Article 14.
 - (c) "Clause" means clause of the Article of this Constitution.
 - (d) "Constitution" means the Constitution of Pakistan Muslim League-N,
 - (e) "Local organisation" means a branch of Pakistan Muslim League-N established in all tiers below the Provincial Organization .
 - (f) "Overseas Branch" means a branch of Pakistan Muslim League-N established in a foreign country in accordance with Chapter V.
 - (g) "Citizen" means a citizen of Pakistan as defined by the Citizenship Act, 1952.
 - (h) Members, means Pakistani Citizen including overseas Pakistani those living abroad with Pakistan origin and who possess valid party membership card.
 - (i) PML-N means Pakistan Muslim League-N
 - (j) AJ & K means Azad Jammu and Kashmir
 - (k) CWC means Central Working Committee
 - (l) Province means Provincial Muslim League-N
 - (m) UC means Union Council