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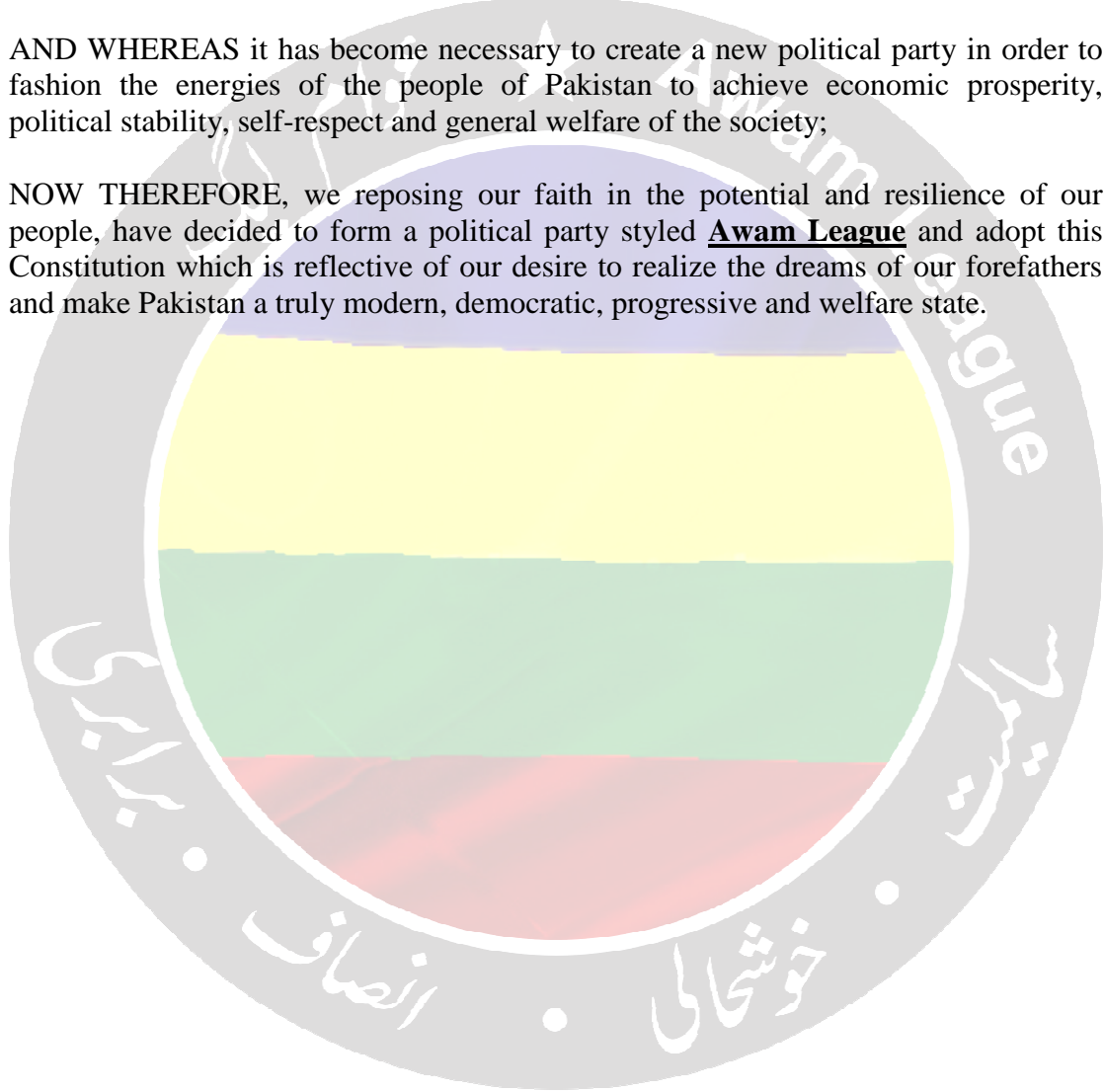
PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the concerned citizens of Pakistan assembled at Lahore on **June 6, 2016** to consider the causes of political, economic and moral stagnation of the people of Pakistan;

WHEREAS, the concerned citizens pay tribute to the heroic struggle of the Pakistan Movement under the remarkable leadership of Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah culminating in the creation of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan;

AND WHEREAS it has become necessary to create a new political party in order to fashion the energies of the people of Pakistan to achieve economic prosperity, political stability, self-respect and general welfare of the society;

NOW THEREFORE, we reposing our faith in the potential and resilience of our people, have decided to form a political party styled **Awam League** and adopt this Constitution which is reflective of our desire to realize the dreams of our forefathers and make Pakistan a truly modern, democratic, progressive and welfare state.



CHAPTER – I**INTRODUCTORY****1. Name**

The party shall be called **Awam League** (hereinafter referred to as the “League”) and this constitution shall be called the *Constitution of **Awam League*** (hereinafter referred to as the “Constitution”).

2. Party’s Ideology

This shall be a “Centre left progressive, moderate, democratic, and reformist party”. We cherish and believe in the following fundamental ideological path:

- a) To realize the ideology of Pakistan by exploring fair economic opportunity for the citizens of Pakistan and ensuring proper distribution of wealth among the citizens;
- b) To build a formidable nation by allowing human endeavor to progress and excel in a competitive and healthy environment based upon talent.
- c) To ignite a moderate economic order shunning greed and slackness through positive and affirmative state action;
- d) To provide vision for the planned growth of agriculture, industry and cities;

3. Aims & Objects

The aims and objects of the Party shall be:-

- a) to safeguard and preserve the sovereignty, territorial integrity and independent existence of Pakistan;
- b) to uphold and promote the ideology of Pakistan in the back drop of Pakistan movement as enunciated by Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah and his comrades;
- c) to advance and ensure that all guaranteed fundamental rights enshrined in the constitution of Pakistan including equality of law and before law; non-discrimination; equal opportunity; social, economic and political justice; and freedom of thought, expression, belief, association, faith and worship are fully preserved and protected;
- d) to encourage, introduce and promote reforms and restructuring the constitution legislation in all state organs, departments and institutions
- e) to strenuously work for the eradication of poverty and unemployment through fair distribution of wealth and affirmative action;
- f) to establish and maintain an impartial, qualified, specialized, dynamic, people friendly and impartial administration generally and for all

organs of the State to effectively and efficiently run the system of administration and perform the functions of the State;

- g) to establish and maintain a system of administration of justice that is just, efficient, cost-effective and fair through an independent and impartial judiciary;
- h) to ensure the existence of an independent, dynamic and responsive media;
- i) to ensure that the legitimate interests of minorities are fully safeguarded and they are free to profess and practice their religion;
- j) to endeavor to raise the standard of living of the people, to generate economic opportunities for the people, to accord special and generous treatment to backward sections of population with a view to accelerate their educational, economic and social progress;
- k) to specially focus on the uplift of women and youth regarding their education, financial growth, and economic independence;

4. Qualifications for membership and privileges

A. Member

- a) Any person may join the Party as a member of the Party who is a citizen of Pakistan anywhere in the world, who believes in our ideology, aims & objectives and program. Pays the prescribed annual or life subscription in advance.
- b) Only members of the Party and members of respective Councils shall be eligible to become office bearers of corresponding Councils at various tiers of the Party.
- c) The subscription for the membership of the Party and the Councils at various levels as determined periodically by the NC shall expire on the last day of December, every year irrespective of the date of enrolment except life members.

B. Supporter

- a) Any person may join the Party as a Supporter of the Party.
- b) Supporter shall not be eligible to become member of any Council or become office bearer at any tier of the Party.
- c) Supporter shall not pay any fixed mandatory annual subscription. However, a Supporter may make voluntary contributions to the Party.

5. Basis of Decision-Making

The basis of decision-making shall be the ideology of the Party, the aims and objectives of the Party and prevailing national interests of Pakistan as determined by Supreme Council, the relevant decision-making body at any tier of the Party.

6. Party Flag & Symbol

- (a) The Party flag shall be in four layers blue, yellow, green and red.
- (b) The party symbol shall be Hand.

CHAPTER – II

PARTY COUNCILS

7. Organization

The organization of the Party at various levels shall consist of:-

- a. The Supreme Council
- b. The National Council
- c. The National Parliamentary Committee (“NPC”);
- d. The Provincial Council (“PC”);
- e. The Provincial Parliamentary Committee (“PPC”);
- f. The Constituency Council (“CC”);
- g. The District Coordination Council (“DCC”); and
- h. The Unit Council (“UC”).
- i. The Village/ward/Mohallah Council

8. The Supreme Council

- a) The SC shall be the principal policymaking body of the party.
- b) The Party Vision, Mission & Ideology shall be managed & protected by the SC.
- c) SC shall be comprised of 25 members, who shall be founding members and shall remain members of the SC for life.
- d) A new member shall be inducted with approval of 2/3 of the members.
- e) A member shall be removed only by 2/3 majority of supreme council.

- f) Member shall not contest for any public office. If a member wishes to contest elections for a public office, he/she shall resign membership of the SC and any other office of the party.
- g) On case of demise, resignation or removal of a member, the Supreme Council shall select a new member with 2/3rd majority within ninety days.
- h) The Supreme Council shall approve candidature of each contestant to party offices for federal and provincial bodies.

9. The National Council (NC)

- a) The NC shall be the apex administrative body of the Party and shall be responsible for implementing Party Policy.
- b) NC shall meet at least once in a year
- c) NC shall consist of not more than 200 members. Members shall consist of three types, namely, (i) Elected 70 % (ii) Ex-officio 25% and (iii) Nominated 5%.

Ex Officio members:

- I. Central Office Bearers
- II. Provincial President and General Secretaries
- III. Head of party wings at central level

- (1) There shall be total 140 elected members of the NC on seats allocated as following:

i)	Punjab	60
ii)	Sindh	30
iii)	Kyber Pukhtoonkhua	20
iv)	Baluchistan	10
v)	Federal Capital Area	04
vi)	Azad Jammu & Kashmir	02
vii)	Gilgit Baltistan	02
viii)	Federally Administered Tribal Areas	02
ix)	Overseas Pakistanis	10

10. Functions of the National Council (NC)

- a) To give due consideration, adopt and take all necessary steps regarding resolutions and statements passed by Supreme Council, NPC, PC's, CC's, DCC's, UC's, affiliated Wings or Special Organizations and forwarded to the NC:
- b) To appoint, reorganize, dissolve, supervise, direct and monitor from time to time the activities of committees or subsidiary bodies for carrying out such duties and functions as may be entrusted to them;

- c) To approve the annual budget and to authorize payments in accordance with it and to appoint auditors;
- d) To sanction all payments not included in the Budget;
- e) To ensure that Party Parliamentary Parties are established to function actively in various legislatures and local governments of the country;
- f) To amend the Constitution of the Party with prior draft approval of the supreme council.
- g) To perform such other functions as it may deem proper in the peculiar political environment of the country.

11. Powers of the National Council (NC)

- a. To control, direct and regulate all activities of all tiers, bodies, committees, Wings, and affiliated organizations of any nature whatsoever constituted and functioning under this Constitution in accordance with the aims, objects, rules and declared policy of the Party;
- b. To take disciplinary action against any member of the Party who violates the decisions of the Party or acts in contravention of its aims and objects, and also to hear appeals against the decisions of any other subsidiary body;
- c. To suspend, dissolve or disaffiliate any subordinate body which fails in its duties or ignores the decisions or directions of the NC or the Party or acts in contravention of such decisions or directions or hinders the progress of the Party in any manner whatsoever subject to a right of review before it;
- d. To give directions, frame rules and appoint persons or bodies to organize and conduct elections.

12. National Parliamentary Committee (NPC)

- a) The NPC shall be the most important body of the Party after the NC to discuss and debate national policy issues and devise strategies in accordance with this Constitution and policies of the Party and may forward its recommendations and decisions expressed in the form of resolutions and statements to the SC & NC for their consideration;
- b) NPC shall meet regularly
- c) All members of the National Assembly and the Senate belonging to the Party for the time being shall constitute the permanent members of the NPC;
- d) All the ticket holders of the Party from each National Assembly Constituency designated as such by the NC for the time being shall constitute temporary members of the NPC;

13. Election of Parliamentary Leader, Deputy Parliamentary Leader and Whip

After the conclusion of every general elections for the National Assembly and periodic elections for the Senate or at any time, Parliamentary Leader, Deputy Parliamentary Leader or Whip in the National Assembly or the Senate, shall be nominated by the Supreme Council.

14. The Provincial Council (PC)

(1) For each Province of Pakistan there shall be a PC and the area to be served by a PC shall be co-extensive with the area of the Province for which it is constituted.

(2) The PC of the Party in each province shall consist of members stipulated herein and for the purposes of this Constitution, Federal Capital Area, Gilgit Baltistan, Federally Administered Tribal Areas and Azad Jammu & Kashmir shall be treated as a Province:

a.	Punjab	200
b.	Sindh	120
c.	Kyber Pukhtunkhau	100
d.	Baluchistan	60
e.	Federal Capital Area	40
f.	Gilgit Baltistan	40
g.	Federally Administered Tribal Areas	40
h.	Azad Jammu & Kashmir	40

(3) The PC shall be the apex administrative body of the Party at the provincial level and shall be responsible to implement Party Policy.

(4) PC shall meet regularly once a quarter.

(5) Members of the PC shall consist of three types, namely, (i) Elected; (ii) Ex-officio; and (iii). Nominated

ii. 1/3 members of each PC shall be its elected members.

iii. 1/3 members of each PC shall be its ex-officio members declared and notified as such by the concerned PC on the pattern of the ex-officio members of the NC.

iv. 1/3 members of each PC shall be its nominated members declared and notified as such by the concerned PC on the pattern of the elected members of the NC.

- 6) A province can be divided into more units, if National Council decide with 2/3rd majority.

15. Functions of the Provincial Council (PC)

- a) To consider and take decisions expressed in form of resolutions or statements and to take necessary steps with regard to matters arising from time to time relating to the objects of the Party with reference to the affairs of that Province;
- b) To give due consideration, adopt and take all necessary steps regarding resolutions and statements passed and forwarded by SC, NC, PPC, DCC's, and affiliated Wings or other subordinate bodies;
- c) To appoint, reorganize, dissolve, supervise, direct and monitor from time to time the activities of committees or subsidiary bodies for carrying out such duties and functions as may be entrusted to them with reference to the affairs of the Province;
- d) To approve the annual budget and to authorize payments in accordance with it;
- e) To sanction all payments not included in the Budget;
- f) To collect and consider all information's necessary and useful with reference to the aims and objects of the Party;
- g) To ensure that PPC is duly established to function actively in the provincial legislature;

16. Powers of the Provincial Council (PC)

- a) To elect the office bearers at provincial level.
- b) To control, direct and regulate all activities of all tiers, bodies, committees, Wings of any nature whatsoever constituted and functioning under this Constitution at the provincial level or below in accordance with the aims, objects, rules and declared policy of the Party;
- c) To suspend, dissolve or de-affiliate any DCC or affiliated Wing or other subordinate bodies within its jurisdiction which fails in its duties or ignores the decisions or directions of the NC or PC or the Party or acts in contravention of such decisions or directions or hinders the progress of the Party in any manner whatsoever subject to a right of appeal before the NC;
- d) To give directions, appoint persons or bodies to organize and conduct elections under the directions of the NC;

17. Provincial Parliamentary Committee (PPC)

- a) The PPC shall be the important body of the Party after the PC at the provincial level to discuss and debate provincial policy issues and devise strategies in accordance with this Constitution and policies of the Party and may forward its recommendations and decisions expressed in the form of resolutions and statements to the PC for its consideration;
- b) NPC shall meet regularly.
- c) Members shall consist of two types, namely, (i) Permanent; and (ii) Temporary;
- d) All members of the Provincial Assembly belonging to the Party for the time being shall constitute the permanent members of the PPC;
- e) All the ticket holders of the Party from each Provincial Assembly Constituency designated as such by the NC for the time being shall constitute temporary members of the PPC;
- f) A permanent member of the PPC shall remain a permanent member as long as he / she remains member of the Provincial Assembly and a temporary member shall remain a temporary member as long as he / she remains designated as such by the NC;
- g) After the conclusion of every general elections for the Provincial Assembly the Supreme Council shall nominate a Parliamentary leader, a Deputy Parliamentary leader and a Whip for the Provincial Assembly

18. District Coordination Council (DCC)

- a. There shall be a DCC in every District. All Members of the NC and PC, NPC & PPC belonging to that District, Presidents and General Secretaries of a Constanacy Council within the District, all elected office holders of the local governments heading the District, Tehsil and Municipality by whatever designation shall be ex-officio members of DCC.
- b. The DCC shall elect its office bearers like any other Council. The President shall convene the meetings of the DCC from time to time in accordance with Party policy. The President shall preside and regulate the meetings of the DCC, communicate the directions of the NC and / or the PC before its members and communicate the decisions and resolutions of the DCC to the NC and the PC, as the case may be.
- c. The DCC may meet from time to time, at least once in two months.
- d. The DCC shall have the responsibility to coordinate the activities of all CC and UC's within the District and provide coherence and unity in their functioning.

- e. It shall be responsible to overall implement the policies and decisions of the SC, NC and / or the PC within a District and to respond and perform all tasks entrusted to it by the NC and / or the PC from time to time.
- f. It can form committees in accordance with Article pertaining to the formation and functioning of committees regarding affairs of the District or for special tasks and shall be responsible to strengthen the Party at the District level.

19. The Constituency Council (CC)

- a) There shall be a CC of the Party for each Provincial Assembly constituency consisting of not less than 20 members. The CC shall be the administrative body of the Party at the Provincial constituency level and shall be responsible to implement Party Policy and act as a final decision making body pertaining to the affairs of the concerned constituency;
- b) CC shall meet regularly once a month;
- c) Members of the CC shall consist of two types, namely, (i) Nominated; (ii) Ex-officio.
- d) Half members of the CC shall be nominated by the DCC on the recommendations of the concerned ticket holders of the National and Provincial Assembly seats on equal basis for a year.
- e) Half members of CC shall be Ex officio like UC Presidents, Heads of wings, Elected Chairmen of UC, Elected Councilors of Municipal Committees.
- f) Nominated and Ex-officio members of the CC shall elect body of the CC.
- g) The MNA/MPA or ticket holder of National or Provincial Assembly shall be Co-Chairpersons of the CC.

20. Functions and Powers of Constituency Council (CC):

- a) To take all necessary steps regarding implementation of resolutions and decisions passed by higher Councils of the Party, relating to the objects of the Party.
- b) To consider and take necessary actions on affairs of the people and the constancy, with regard to matters arising from time to time.
- c) To appoint, reorganize, dissolve, supervise, direct and monitor the activities of committees or subsidiary bodies for carrying out such duties and functions as may be entrusted to them with reference to the affairs of the constituency;
- d) To approve the annual budget and to authorize payments in accordance with it;

- e) To employ and dismiss staff and to determine their emoluments;
- f) To collect and consider all information necessary and useful with reference to the aims and objects of the Party;
- g) To organize activities that promote the positive image of the Party, to propagate the declared policies and positions of the Party on various issues, to run and organize primary enrollment drives, to collect annual and other subscriptions from the members;
- h) To organize, control, direct and regulate all activities of all tiers, bodies, committees, Wings of any nature whatsoever constituted and functioning under this Constitution at the constituency level or below, if any, in accordance with the aims, objects, rules and declared policy of the Party;
- i) To take disciplinary action against any basic member of the Party who violates the decisions of the Party or acts in contravention of its aims and objects, and also to recommend and report action taken against such member; and
- j) To perform such other functions as it may deem it in the peculiar political environment of that constituency.

21. The Unit Council (UC)

- a. There shall be a Unit Council of the Party for each Union Council in a District and not less than 20 members. The UC shall be the administrative body of the Party at the Unit level and shall be responsible to implement and advance Party Policy and act as a final decision making body pertaining to the affairs of the concerned unit;
- b. UC shall meet regularly once a quarter;
- c. Members of the UC shall consist of three types, namely, (i) Nominated; (ii) Ex-officio.
- d. 10 members of the concerned Unit shall be appointed by the CC on the recommendations of the concerned ticket holders of the National and Provincial Assembly seats on equal basis for a year.
- e. President and Secretary Generals of each Village Council or Mohalla Council, each Wing, if any and members and local body elected councilors falling within the jurisdiction of the concerned Unit shall be ex-officio members of the UC.
- f. UC is empowered to create and organize further Party Organizations designated as Village or Muaza or Mohalla or Ward Councils.

22. Functions and Powers of Unit Council (UC)

- a) To consider and take decisions expressed in form of resolutions or statements and to take necessary steps with regard to matters arising from time to time relating to the objects of the Party with reference to the affairs of that Union Council;
- b) To appoint, reorganize, dissolve, supervise, direct and monitor from time to time the activities of subsidiary bodies for carrying out such duties and functions as may be entrusted to them with reference to the affairs of the Party.
- c) To create and organize further Party Organizations in the form of Village or Mauza or Mohalla or ward Councils.
- d) To approve the annual budget and to authorize payments in accordance with it;
- e) To employ and dismiss staff and to determine their emoluments;
- f) To collect and consider all information necessary and useful with reference to the aims and objects of the Party;
- g) To organize activities that promote the positive image of the Party, to propagate the declared policies and positions of the Party on various issues, to run and organize primary enrollment drives, and to collect annual and other subscriptions from the members;
- h) To control, direct and regulate all activities of all tiers, bodies, committees, Wings of any nature whatsoever constituted and functioning under this Constitution at the union level or below, if any, in accordance with the aims, objects, rules and declared policy of the Party;
- i) To perform such other functions as it may deem it in the peculiar political environment of the Union.

23. The Convention

- a. The Party shall organize a Convention once every year and the Convention shall be regarded as an occasion for collective gathering of the members of the Party to share their experiences, views and suggestions for fostering the strength of the Party;
- b. Time, place, agenda, speakers, and program of the Convention shall be such as approved by the NC prior to the Convention;
- c. The Convention shall be an open house and every member of the Party shall be invited to participate in the Convention.
- d. The President of the Party shall recall the opportunities and challenges of the preceding period and enlighten about the future plans of the Party as approved by the NC prior to the Convention.

- e. The Convention shall review the affairs of the Party and recommend measures to strengthen the Party.
- f. The decisions, resolve or policies may be put before the participants of the Convention in the form of resolutions for approval.
- g. Every member attending the Convention shall pay a fee before attending a session as determined by NC from time to time.



CHAPTER – III PARTY ORGANIZATION AND CONDUCT OF
BUSINESS

24. Office-Bearers

There shall be the following office bearers of the Party at various levels, namely SC, NC, NPC, PC, PPC, DCC, CC and UC:

i)	Chairman (Only at federal level)	1
ii)	President	1
ii)	Senior Vice President	1
iii)	Vice President	2
iv)	Secretary General	1
v)	Additional Secretaries	2
vi)	Secretary Finance	1
vii)	Secretary Information	1
viii)	Secretary Training	1

25. Electoral College, Eligibility & Term of Office

- a) Chairman shall be elected by the Supreme Council.
- b) The members of the NC, NPC, PC, DCC, CC and UC shall elect the President through secret ballot. Remaining office barriers shall be elected by next highest votes obtain accordingly. Office of Secretary Information and Secretary Finance will be nominated by the President.
- c) Only member of a respective Council of the Party shall subject to provisions of this Constitution, be eligible to contest election for any office within that Council.
- d) All office bearers of the Party shall hold office till the next election and shall be eligible for re-election.
- e) Duration of the Party Offices at all levels shall be one year starting from 1st January of each year and ending on 31st December of that year.
- f) All elections to the Party Offices shall be conducted and completed in the month of December for the following year to be effective from the 1st of January under advice and directions of the NC.
- g) In case elections are not held at any level for any reason whatsoever for a particular year, the NC shall have the powers to nominate the office bearers in the respective Council for the corresponding year.

26. Chairman

- a) There shall be a Chairman, only at federal level.
- b) He/She shall be elected by the Supreme Council among their members, by secret ballot.
- c) Chairman shall preside meetings of the Supreme Council & the National Council.
- d) Chairman can cast vote, only, if during voting Supreme Council or National Council divided in equal votes.
- e) Chairman's role in National Council's meeting shall be like a Speaker, to conduct the meetings impartially and smoothly.

27. President

- a. The President of the NC shall be the Head of the Party and the entire organization.
- b. The President shall preside over all meetings of the respective Councils and shall be responsible to implement the decisions of the respective council.
- c. The President at all levels shall give vision and direction to the decisions and aspirations to the respective Council and shall work under the guidance and supervision of the respective Council.
- d. All decisions taken by the President at all levels shall require prior approval or subsequent ratification in the first session held after such decision by the respective Council. In case, the said ratification is denied, the decision shall be regarded as void a initio as if it was never taken and things shall revert to their original position.

28. Acting President

During the temporary absence or illness of the President, the Senior Vice President shall perform the functions of the office for the period of temporary absence.

29. Secretary General

- a) The Secretary General at all levels shall exercise all the powers delegated to him by the President and the respective Council.
- b) The Secretary General shall exercise all the powers and discharge all duties laid down and incidental to the enforcement of this Constitution and rules made there under and generally to his office.

- c) The Secretary General shall supervise the work of the staff of the respective Secretariat of the Party.
- d) 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 subject to ratification by the respective Council at its next meeting.
- e) Secretaries assigned different functions shall assist the Secretary General and shall perform such duties under his guidance as may be entrusted to them.
- f) The Secretary General shall be responsible for day to day affairs pertaining to his respective Secretariat and shall organize and coordinate all committee meetings.
- g) During the temporary absence or illness of the Secretary General, the Additional Secretary senior in age and failing him the second in line shall perform the functions of the office for the period of temporary absence.

30. Vacancy of any Office

If any office falls vacant due to death or resignation before the expiry of the term of that office, the General Secretary shall convene an extra ordinary session of the respective Council within 90 days and reelect the concerned office-bearer for the remaining term of the office.

31. Procedure for Requisition for Meeting

- a. A special meeting of the Party Councils at any level shall be convened if the Secretary General receives a written requisition signed by 25% of the total membership of the concerned Council at any given point of time, stating the purpose for which the meeting is required to be convened. The requisitioned meeting shall be convened within 15 days of the receipt of such requisition, failing which the members requisitioning the meeting shall be entitled to convene the meeting themselves.
- b. The Secretary General shall, not less than 10 days prior to the ordinary meetings and 5 days prior to special meeting, issue to each member a notice stating the time, agenda and place of the meeting provided that this period may be curtailed by the President in special circumstances. A press announcement of that effect shall also be made by the Secretary General.
- c. The Members must notify the Secretary General 5 days before the meeting, if they want to table a resolution giving the text of the same, provided that this period may be relaxed by the President or waived through a resolution by the concerned Council in special circumstances.

- d. The President may with the approval of the concerned Council permit the discussion of a subject even though the requirement of notice has not been fulfilled.
- e. 25% of existing total membership of the concerned Council at any level shall form the quorum of a meeting of the respective Council.
- f. Subject to the Constitution, all matters in a Council at any level shall be decided by majority of votes by a show of hands provided that any matter in which at least 50 % of the total number of members in a particular Council demand a voting by secret ballot, it shall be mandatory to decide that matter by secret ballot.

32. Procedure of Elections of Office Bearers of Councils

- a) Every Council member shall have one vote.
- b) All persons desirous to become an office bearer shall file one nomination paper with the only position of 'office bearer'.
- c) Person securing the highest votes will be elected as the President and so on in the order of precedence listed in Article 24 of the Constitution.
- d) If votes are tied in favor of more than one person, toss will determine the winner.
- e) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Constitution, the elected President of the Council shall appoint the Secretary Information for which there shall be no election.
- f) Permanent Election Commission shall be nominated by the Central President, with approval of the Supreme Council. The election commission of the party will conduct elections at all levels within party.
- g)

33. Resignation

An office-bearer may resign from the office and such-resignation may be addressed to the Secretary General of the concerned Council.

34. Delegation of Powers

The Councils at any level may delegate any one or more of its functions or powers to the concerned committees with such limitations or conditions as it may deem fit. But in no case, can any power be delegated to the President or Secretary General or any other office bearer of the Party and if there is any such delegation, it shall be *void ab initio*.

35. The Committee System

- a. The Councils at all level shall function through a system of committees. Number and type of committees shall be decided by the

respective Council in accordance with their requirements and peculiar circumstances.

- b. Outside persons who are not members of the Party but are not otherwise opposed to the objects of the Party having qualification and experience in a particular discipline can be appointed as members of the Committee along with at least one member of the respective Council.
- c. The committees shall have their mandate and reference points assigned to them by the respective Council.
- d. The committees shall present their reports before the respective Council. Such reports shall be debated and considered by the relevant Council before their approval, adoption, modification or disapproval.
- e. The NC and the PC's shall make committees corresponding to all departments / ministries of the government and shall critically analyze the working of the government, point out issues of mal-administration, inefficiencies, corruption and suggest changes for improvement and reform. The reports of the committees shall be considered for appropriate action by the respective Council in accordance with the objects of the party and shall be used for policy formation and party manifesto.

36. Award of Party Tickets

- a) **Parliamentary Board**
 - i. There shall be a 15 members Parliamentary Boards nominated by the President at central & provincial levels, with approval of the Supreme Council.
- b) Parliamentary Board will decide the party's ticket.
- c) The NC shall discuss and debate such recommendations thoroughly and party ticket for each constituency shall be approved by majority.
- d) The decision so made by the NC is subject to review upon the request of a member of the NC.

CHAPTER – IV

SPECIAL PARTY ORGANIZATIONS

37. Special Wings

- a. The Party under the directions and supervision of the NC may constitute the following specialized wings at various levels:
 - I. Academia Wing
 - II. Ex-Forces Wing
 - III. Ex-Civil Servants Wing
 - IV. Industry and Trade Wing

- v. Intellectuals Wing
- vi. Kisan Wing
- vii. Labour Wing
- viii. Lawyers Wing
- ix. Local Bodies Wing
- x. Media Wing
- xi. Minorities Wing
- xii. Mushaikh Wing
- xiii. Overseas Pakistanis Wing
- xiv. Professionals Wing
- xv. Students Wing
- xvi. Ulema Wing
- xvii. Women Wing
- xviii. Youth Wing

- b. Office bearers of all specialized wings at Federal, Provincial and District levels shall be elected by their respective council.
- c. Specialized Wings created by the concerned Council at any level shall directly be under its command and the respective Council shall have the right to appoint and remove its members in its discretion and assign its functions and role and regulate its affairs.

38. Miscellaneous

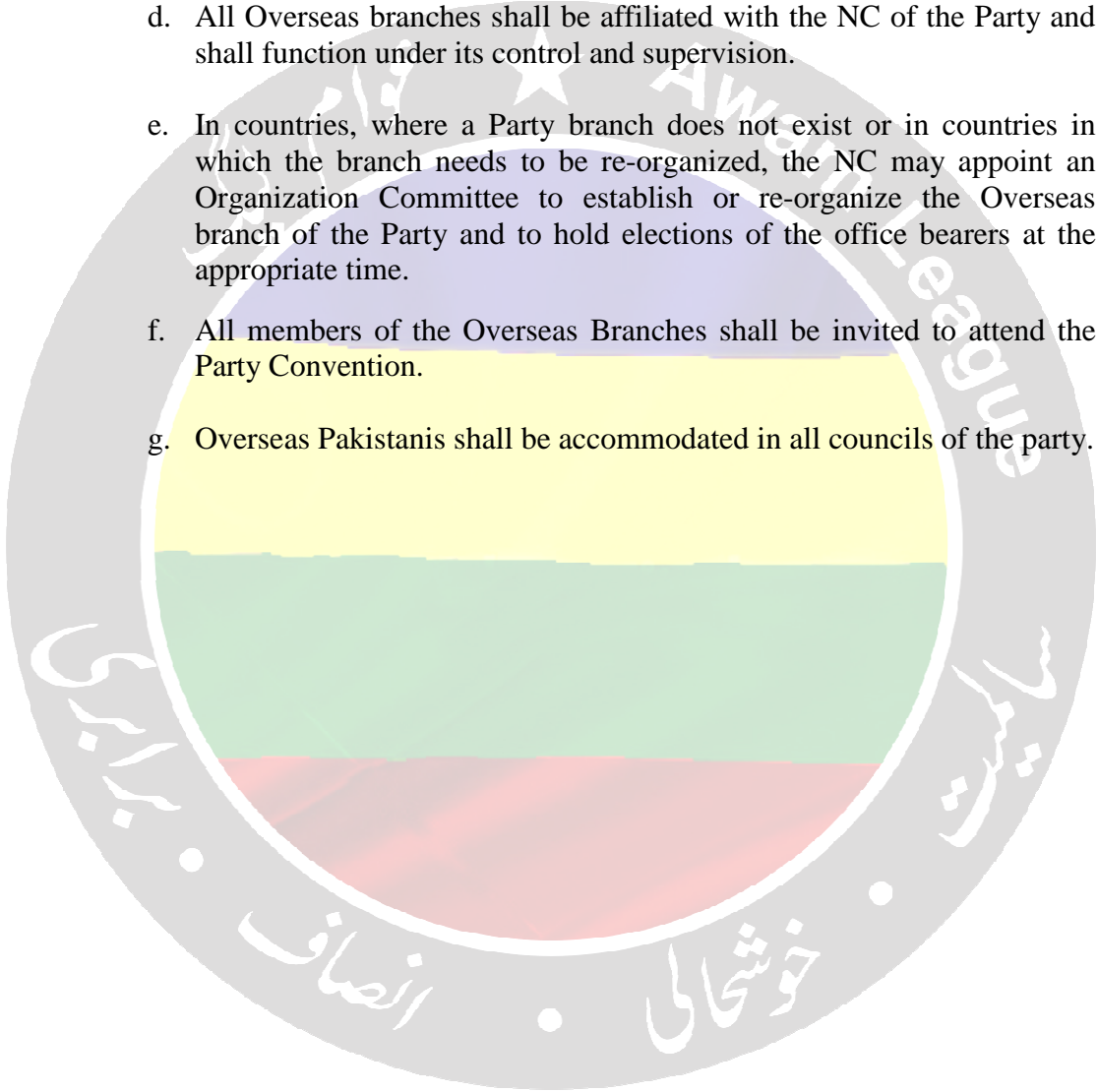
- a) For the Federal Capital Area: the National Assembly constituencies therein shall be treated as Constancy Council (CC) or as otherwise directed by the NC;
- b) For Federally Administered Tribal Areas: the Federally Administered Tribal Areas seats in the National Assembly shall be treated as Constancy Council (CC) or as otherwise directed by the NC;
- c) For Azad Jammu & Kashmir, the Azad Jammu & Kashmir Assembly constituencies therein shall be treated as Constancy Council (CC) or as otherwise directed by the NC;
- d) For Gilgit Baltistan: the Gilgit Baltistan Assembly constituencies therein shall be treated as Constancy Council (CC) or as otherwise directed by the NC;

39. Overseas Organizations

- a. The Party may have its branches in all such countries where members of the Party reside permanently. More than one country may form a joint branch in exceptional circumstances with prior approval of the NC.
- b. The members of an Overseas Party branch may develop a subordinate constitution not inconsistent with this Constitution in accordance with their local requirements and seek its approval from the NC. Upon its

approval with or without modifications, an overseas branch may organize itself and function, accordingly. In other matters, all overseas branches will function on the pattern of a Provincial Council and, for that purpose, the provisions of the relevant Articles shall, *mutates mutandis* apply. Variations may be made to suit local conditions with the approval of the NC.

- c. Membership fee in each country will be fixed periodically by that Council, which will also determine the manner in which these funds are utilized.
- d. All Overseas branches shall be affiliated with the NC of the Party and shall function under its control and supervision.
- e. In countries, where a Party branch does not exist or in countries in which the branch needs to be re-organized, the NC may appoint an Organization Committee to establish or re-organize the Overseas branch of the Party and to hold elections of the office bearers at the appropriate time.
- f. All members of the Overseas Branches shall be invited to attend the Party Convention.
- g. Overseas Pakistanis shall be accommodated in all councils of the party.



CHAPTER – V**FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS****40. Division of Funds**

Provincial Councils & Overseas branches shall be responsible to keep record of all income received or generated from any source including fees, donations and contributions within the jurisdiction and shall pay fifty percent (50%) to the Central Party's account.

41. Accounts of Income

All fees, donations and contributions received or generated through any lawful means by the Councils at any level from time to time shall be accounted for properly as income of the Party.

42. Deposit in Bank

The funds of the Party shall be deposited on the name of the Party with a bank approved by the NC/PC at various levels and maintained and regulated in a manner as approved and directed by the NC.

43. Operation of Accounts

The Finance Secretary at all level shall be authorized to operate the Bank account of the Party jointly with any other office-bearer nominated by the concerned President.

44. Distribution of Funds

Funds collected through the enrolment fee of the membership shall be distributed amongst the village/Mohalla/ward/Unit Council, Constituency Council, Provincial Council and the National Council, in accordance with the instructions issued from time to time by the National Council.

45. Annual Statement of Finance and Accounts

Proper account of income and expenditure shall be maintained by the respective Finance Secretaries for a fiscal year at all levels and the annual statement of finance and accounts shall be presented to the NC within two months of the close of financial year starting from 1st July and ending on 30th June.

46. Audit of Accounts

The Secretary General of the NC shall arrange audit of the accounts annually and the report of audit shall be presented to the NC along with the Annual Statement of Finance and Accounts.

47. Submission of Accounts to Election Commission

- a. As specified by the Election Commission from time to time, the Party will submit to the Election Commission of Pakistan a consolidated statement of accounts audited by a chartered accountant within sixty days of the close of each financial year or as otherwise mandated by law.
- b. The Party shall observe and follow the laws and rules applicable to political parties and shall abide by the instructions and guide lines of the Election Commission of Pakistan. The NC shall be responsible for the compliance of such laws, rules, instructions or guide lines at all times.

48. Accounts of Specialized Party Organizations

The provisions under this Chapter shall also apply to Special Party Organizations as far as applicable. Subscription fee for each Overseas Branch shall be decided by each Branch.

CHAPTER – VI

MISCELLANEOUS

49. Amendment in the Party Constitution

- a) Draft of propose amendments in the party's constitutions shall be placed in front of Supreme Council by the Central Body of the Party.
- b) After clearness of SC with simple majority of the total strength, propose amendment shall be presented in front of National Council.
- c) The Constitution of Party shall be amended by the NC of the Party by at least two-thirds majority of the total membership of the NC.

50. Powers to make rules

The NC may make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Constitution.

51. Removal of Difficulty

If any difficulty arises in giving effect to any of the provisions of this Constitution, the President of the Party with the prior approval or subsequent ratification of the NC may make such provisions or issue such directions as may be necessary for the removal of the difficulty.