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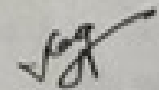
Subject: Intimation about amendments in the Constitution of
Muttahida Quami Movement (MQM)


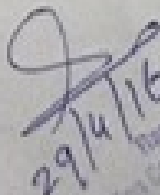
We, hereby, inform that The Rabta Committee of Muttahida Quami Movement (MQM) in its meeting held on 14th February 2016 has unanimously adopted various amendments in its constitution. The copy of the amended constitution is enclosed herewith.

Original Constitution 2016

Karachi
Dated: 23rd April 2016

Encl: As above


Dr. Muhammad Farooq Sattar
Party Leader
Muttahida Quami Movement.



29/4/16
Secretary Clerk
Election Commission of Pakistan
2-30 pm.

THE CONSTITUTION OF MUTTAHIDA QUAMI MOVEMENT

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS Pakistan was created in 1947 with a view to provide a homeland for the Muslims of the Sub-continent of India, in which it was ordained by the framers of the Constitution that the principles of Islam, liberty, equality, democracy, tolerance, political justice and freedom of thought, expression and belief will be available to all without any distinction of caste, creed, sex, religion or sect, and

WHEREAS is the will of the Peoples of Pakistan to establish an Order in which the State shall exercise its powers and authority through the chosen representatives of the People so fundamental principles of democracy, tolerance and equality before the law can be observed, and

WHEREIN proper provisions shall be made for all minorities and ethnicities to freely profess their religions, practices and culture;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary for the achievement to such goals to create a true democratic system in which the general masses of the country can decide their own destiny and future through legislative bodies elected by them.

SO THAT the Peoples of Pakistan can prosper and attain their rightful and honored place in nations of the world and make their full contribution towards international peace, progress and happiness of humanity,

AND in which Fundamental Rights of the Peoples of the country and the supremacy of the Rule of Law can be fully guaranteed and enforced through an independent judiciary;

NOW, THEREFORE, we the signatories of this constitution of the Muttahida Quami Movement give to the peoples of Pakistan the creation of a political party, which will work towards the aforesaid goals according to the provisions of this instrument.

ARTICLE 1 - TITLE

The movement shall be called Muttahida Quami Movement.
(Hereinafter called as the "Movement")

ARTICLE 2—CENTRAL OFFICE:

The Central office of the Movement shall be situated at 494/8. Azizabad Federal B Area, Karachi, Pakistan.

ARTICLE 3 –DEFINITIONS:

Unless there is anything repugnant to the subject of the context:-

- (a) "Movement" shall mean the Muttahida Quami Movement (hereinafter referred to as MQM). It shall work as a political party in Pakistan as permitted by the constitution and the law.
- (b) Pakistan "Nation" shall mean the Peoples of Pakistan including the Punjabis, Sindhis, Pakhtoon, Baloch, Mohajirs, Saraikis, Kashmiris and other communities such as Gilgit Baltistanis and Hazarawal living in the country.
- (c) Country shall mean the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as defined in Article (1) of the Constitution of Pakistan, 1973.
- (d) "Committee" shall mean the Central Co-ordination Committee of MQM (Hereinafter called as "the Committee").
- (e) "CEC" shall mean the Central Executive Council of MQM.
- (f) "Wings" shall mean various administrative departments of the party.

ARTICLE 4- AIMS AND OBJECTS:

The aims and objects of the Movement shall be as under:-

- (a) To ensure security of economic, financial, educational, political, health and social interests of the People of Pakistan.
- (b) To establish true democracy true democracy in the country by encouraging the ordinary people of Pakistan to participate at all levels of elections.
- (c) To promote unity and solidarity amongst the diverse ethnicities presently living in Pakistan and to eliminate discrimination of any kind.
- (d) To work for the complete legal protection of all Minorities, as conceived of by the Constitution of Pakistan and by International Law as recognized and observed by the civilized countries of the world.
- (e) To work for the creation of a genuine Federation in Pakistan by providing full autonomy to all the provinces.

1. Subs. By first constitutional amendment dated 23rd April, 2016

- (f) To undertake any other work in furtherance of the aims and objective of the Constitution as decided by the Committee from time to time.
- (g) The Committee may authorize the creation of Overseas Units of MQM with a view to provide the peoples of Pakistan living abroad to be able to participate in the affairs of the party. The system of administration of these Units shall follow the same pattern as being practiced by the MQM within Pakistan.

ARTICLES 5—FUNDS:

The Movement shall raise funds through subscriptions, Muttahida Quami Fund through its members, voluntary donations as permitted by law and through other lawful sources as allowed by the laws of the country for its functioning and to provide assistance of the People.

ARTICLE 6—ORGANISATION AND MANAGEMENT:

The Central Co-ordination Committee at the Federal level, Provincial level and local levels through the Central Executive Council and Wings/Committees shall administer the management and organization of the Movement

- (a) The management of the Movement shall be administered by the Committee comprising of the following office bearers:
Convener One.

(Senior Deputy Convener minimum One and maximum as many as required.)

[Deputy Conveners Minimum Two & Maximum as many as required.]¹

[Members Minimum Fifteen & Maximum as many as required.]¹

- (b) The Province of Sindh shall be administered through District / Zonal / Divisional Committees while the Provinces of Punjab, NWFP, Balochistan, Gilgit Baltistan and Azad Kashmir shall be administered through its respective Provincial Committees which comprise of the following office bearers:

Organizer One

[Joint Organizer Minimum One & Maximum as many as required.]¹

[Members Minimum Seven & Maximum as many as required.]¹

- (c) At Local levels Sub-committees would have the following position comprising of:

District/Zonal In-charge One

[Joint Organizers Minimum One & Maximum as many as required.]¹

[Members Minimum Seven & Maximum as many as required.]¹

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- (d) For Karachi there shall be a division organizing committee named as Central Executive Council that will comprise of the following positions:

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| In-charge | One |
| [Joint In-charges | Minimum One & Maximum as many as required.] ¹ |
| [Members | Minimum Seven & Maximum as many as required.] ¹ |

That it will organize and deal all issues of 26 Town Committees comprising 209 Union Committees of Karachi Division.

- (e) Any other Sub-Committees may be formed by the decision of the Committee.
- (f) All the Sub-Committees set-up under this Constitution shall submit their reports to the Committee, which after due consideration would decide upon the desired course of actions.
- (g) The Central Coordination Committee shall run the administrative and political functions of the party through various wings, housed at party's headquarter "90".
- (h) The party shall have an advisory, consultative and policy formulating firm comprising members of the CCC, CEC and Wings of the party housed at its headquarter "90".
- (i) The general workers meeting of the party shall be deemed to be the General Assembly of the party with powers to allow adhoc and interim changes in the organizational or party structure and inclusion or removal of any office bearer, including elected office bearer.

ARTICLE 7 - DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE OFFICE BEARERS.

- (a) **Convener.**
The Convener shall preside over all meetings of the Committee and exercise his casting vote in the event of a tie. He shall be the Party Leader of MQM.
- (b) **Senior Deputy Conveners.**
The Senior Deputy Convener shall preside over all the meetings of the committee. In absence of Convener he can act as "Party Leader" to deal with all the matters related to politics and election exercise.
- (c) **Deputy Conveners.**
They shall assist the Convener in the discharge of his official duties.
- (d) **Members.**
They shall assist the Deputy Conveners in the discharge of their official duties.

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(e) **Finance.**

The Convener may appoint any members who shall be responsible for up-keeping and maintenance of the accounts of the Movement and to receive funds and deposit the same in the banks and established financial institutions.

ARTICLE 8—MEMBERSHIP

- (a) Every citizen of Pakistan, not being in the service of Pakistan, shall be eligible for membership of the Movement and may be elected as an office bearer or take part in the political activities of the Movement, However, membership is subject to approval by the Committee.
- (b) A member of MQM shall not be a member to other political, or religio-political parties.
- (c) A member of the MQM shall be required to pay a membership fee as determined by the Committee periodically. In addition, a member may also make voluntary contributions.
- (d) Membership forms shall be forwarded, after approval, to the Deputy –Conveners for record.

ARTICLE 9—POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE CENTRAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE.

- (a) The Committee shall be the highest policy and decision making organ of the Movement. Its decisions shall be binding on all party organs and members Ordinary decisions shall be made by a simple majority of members present in a scheduled meeting. While in the important and major policy decisions 2/3 majority of the Committee shall be required.
- (b) The Central Co-ordination Committee shall seek guidance from Mr. Alaf Hussain being the founder and ideologue, on the major issues, for his ratification.
- (c) To take all necessary steps for giving practical effect to resolutions passed and instructions issued by the Committee from time to time and ensure the effective implementation of the party manifesto .
- (d) To maintain complete record of the membership of the Movement.
- (e) To collect all the information which is necessary and useful for furtherance of the aims and objectives of the Movement.
- (f) To take decisions for convening meetings of the Wings as and when deemed necessary.

1. Subs. by first constitutional amendment dated 23rd May, 2012.

2. Subs. By First constitutional amendment dated 23rd April ,2016.

- (g) To supervise and monitor the working of the sub-committees and to assist them whenever requested.
- (h) The Committee shall frame Rules, Regulations and necessary Guidelines for implementing the policies and decisions of the Movement.

ARTICLE 10—AMENDMENTS:

No Rules and Regulations or any part of this Constitution shall be rescinded or amended except by a 2/3 vote of the Committee.

ARTICLE 11—OFFICES:

The Central Office will be in Karachi. Other offices to be opened by the Committee from time to time.

ARTICLE 12—PRINCIPLES OF POLICY:

- (a) As a political party the MQM would work for the establishment of a just and a participatory democratic system of Government in Pakistan.
- (b) The MQM is a peace-loving organization and believes in the Fundamental and Human Rights as enunciated in the Constitution of Pakistan and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
- (c) The MQM believes in a democratic setup ensuring a dignified and respectful coexistence of the general masses of the country irrespective of their caste, creed, sex, religion or sect.
- (d) The MQM believes in full equality between the sexes; in particular the MQM believes that the women should be provided a respectable place among the members of the society and must have freedom of participation in all vocations and national activities as envisaged by the Constitution of Pakistan.
- (e) MQM firmly believes in the abolition of feudal system and bonded labour and karokari practices and shall undertake steps to put an end to it to establish an "Egalitarian Order" in Pakistan.

ARTICLE 13 – PARTY ELECTIONS:

- (a) All party offices shall be filled by elections of the members after every four years.
- (b) Until regular elections are held, the Committee shall fill existing vacant offices by a decision of at least 2/3 majority.

1. Subs. By first constitutional amendment dated 23rd April, 2016

ARTICLE 13 -A. NOTICE OF MEETING:

- (a) Every ordinary meeting may be held at a notice of three days.
- (b) An emergent meeting may be held at a notice of six hours.
- (c) Annual General Meeting may be held at a notice of fifteen days.

ARTICLE 14- ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The party shall convene an Annual General Meeting on Federal, Provincial and local levels.

ARTICLE 14-A-OFFICE TENURE.

- (a) Every Office Holder shall hold his office for 4 years from date of Notification.
- (b) [The movement shall convene a meeting after every four years in which the committee shall decide that how many office bearers and members shall be elected in Intra-Party Elections for party offices at all levels.]¹

ARTICLE 15 -DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

If the committee feels that a member has violated the declared policy decision, rules and regulations of discipline of the party a disciplinary action can be taken against that member by issuing him / her a show cause notice to be followed by a hearing to be conducted by members of the Sub-Committee, constituted by the Central Co-ordination committee. If the said Sub-Committee is dissatisfied with the response of the said member, it shall forward its recommendations to Central Co-ordinations Committee for the final decision .In either case the aggrieved member, if he /she so choose has right to appeal to the entire committee whose decision on this matter shall be final.

ARTICLE 16 -QULIFICATION OF THE PARTY LEADER AND OFFICE BEARER.

- (a) Shall be 18 years or above.
- (b) Shall be a Pakistani citizen.
- (c) Shall be a member of the Party.
- (d) Shall be of good character.

1. Article 14-A is inserted by first constitutional amendment dated 23rd May, 2012.

ARTICLE 17 - INTRA-PARTY DISPUTES.

If a Party member has any complaint against any office bearers office bearers, he or she will submit his or her complaint in writing to the Committee. The Committee thereupon

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shall constitute a Sub-Committee to investigate. Undertake a proper hearing and forward its recommendations to the Committee for the final decision. In either case the aggrieved member, if he / she so chooses has a right to appeal to the entire Committee whose decision with two third majority on this matter shall be final.

ARTICLE 18 –ELECTION PROCEDURE.

- (a) Election to all offices bearers shall be held through secret balloting. The candidates at[...]² Provincial and local level, securing highest votes in descending order shall be deemed to have been elected for the offices as provided under Article 6 of the constitution “or as decided in four yearly Election meeting by the committee”³.
- (b) The elected members for Central Coordination Committee would be eligible to contest the election for the post of Convener, Senior Deputy Convener and Deputy Convenors.⁴
- (c) The Deputy Conveners, as provided under Article-6 or as decided in four yearly election meeting by the committee, shall then be elected by the members elected for Central Coordination Committee with a simple majority of votes.⁵
- (d) All the party members enrolled would be eligible for voting for the elections of the Central Coordination Committee.
- (e) All the members enrolled in any Province would be eligible to vote for the respective Provincial Committees.
- (f) All the member enrolled in any Divisions / Districts / Zones would be eligible to vote for their respective Divisional / District / Zonal Committees.
- (g) The Committee shall constitute an Election Commission to conduct the process of election.

1. Inserted by first constitutional amendment dated 23rd May, 2012.

2. Word “Federal” deleted by first constitutional amendment dated 23rd May, 2012.

3. Inserted by first constitutional amendment dated 23rd May, 2012.

4. Inserted by first constitutional amendment dated 23rd May, 2012.

5. Inserted by first constitutional amendment dated 23rd May, 2012.

ARTICLE 19 – PROCEDURE OF SELECTION OF THE PARTY CANDIDATE

The Central Co-ordination Committee shall form a Central Parliamentary Board for the selection of the candidate for the Senate, National and Provincial Assemblies and Local Bodies. This Central Parliamentary Board would be assisted by the Provincial / Divisional / Zonal Parliamentary Boards constituted by the Committee. The Central Parliamentary Board having finalized the list of the candidates shall present the list before the committee for the final decision.

ARTICLE – 19-A:PARTY TICKET¹

[The Candidates for the Senate, National Assembly, Provincial Assemblies and Local Bodies finally selected by the Committee shall be eligible for the “Party Ticket” to contest the Election for the respective seat / seats for which the candidates are finalized by the Committee to contest the Election from Party Platform. The Party shall not charge any fee, donation or any kind of contribution towards party funds in respect of “Party Ticket”].¹

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