



Islamic Republic of Afghanistan  
Independent Election Commission Secretariat

## Regulation on Increase of Voter Registration Centers

**Basis:**

This Regulation is made under Article 56 of the Electoral Law to provide better facilities for Voter Registration.

**Article 1:**

Due to security, climate, social and economical challenges which has caused a number of eligible Afghan citizens have no access to the established Voter Registration Centers, the Independent Elections Commission of Afghanistan has authorized some steps for increasing facilities for registration of eligible voters.

**Article 2:**

The Independent Election Commission may increase the number of Voter Registration Centers as necessary, providing security organizations can ensure the safety of Electoral staff and the location of new Voter Registration Centers. The IEC may establish extra mobile teams for registration of eligible voters as needed and if safe.

**Article 3:**

The IEC can increase the number of Voter Registration Centers for voters in the provinces and districts where there is not an adequate number of police and security forces, in accordance with majority residents' demand.

In this case the following condition must be followed:

- A- There shall be no security problem that threatens electoral staff and the facilities for the election process in the area.
- B- Tribal leaders including agents, scholars, (Ulama) and elders must guarantee that there will be no intimidation of electoral staff and the facilities for the election process.
- C- Tribal leaders (agents, scholars and elders) guarantee shall be approved by the provincial governor, the district chief of police and the chief IEC representative of the related province. (In order to legalize the commitment, the signatures of the tribal leader, police chief, governor and IEC representative must be on the commitment)
- D- The copy of the commitment will be delivered to the IEC in one to three days.
- E- A sample of a commitment in IEC Official Form which has logo of the Independent Election Commission of Afghanistan will be provided and available to provincial offices.

**Article 4:**

If the conditions mentioned in Article 3 cannot be met, the number of Voter Registration Centers cannot be increased by the IEC with poor security.

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**Article 5:**

As the situation in each province is different and the specifications of each province are well known by the local official, the district chief's comments are valuable for considering increasing Registration Centers.

**Article 6:**

Previously established centers are not subject to this Regulation. After approval of this Regulation, no recommendations or oral suggestions of individuals or groups about moving previously established Voter Registration Centers will be accepted and the electoral officials are not allowed to move the fixed registration centers.

**Article 7:**

This regulation enters into force after the date of approval and would be published.

