IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PAKISTAN

(Appellate Jurisdiction)

PRESENT:

MR. JUSTICE MUNIB AKHTAR MR. JUSTICE SHAHID WAHEED MR. JUSTICE IRFAN SAADAT KHAN

C.P.L.A.184/2024

(Against judgment dated 12.01.2024 passed by the Lahore High Court, Lahore in W.P. No.2467/2024.)

Sanam Javaid Khan (Presently confined in ... Petitioner

Kot Lakhpat Jail, Lahore) through her

attorney Jawad Javaid Khan

Vs

Election Appellate Tribunal, Punjab and ... Respondents

others

For the Petitioner : Mr. Shazib Masud, ASC

Mr. Moiz Tariq, ASC

Assisted by:

M/s Mian Ali Ashfaq, A. Ahad Khokhar,

M. Fiaz Kandwal, Advocates

Ch. Akhtar Ali, AOR

For ECP : Mr. Zafar Iqbal, Spl. Secy.

Mr. M. Arshad, D.G. (Law)

Mr. Mansoor Akhtar Sherwani, DG

(Political Finance)

Mr. Khurram Shahzad, Addl. Dir. Mr. Falak Shar, Legal Consultant

(On Court's call)

Date of Hearing : 26.01.2024

ORDER

Munib Akhtar, J.: We have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as also the learned DG (Law) and learned DG (Political Finance).

2. For detailed reasons to be recorded later and subject to such amplification and/or explanation therein as may be deemed appropriate, this leave petition is converted into an appeal and allowed. The impugned judgment of the learned High Court as well

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as the orders of the fora below are set aside with the result that the nomination papers of the petitioner, now appellant, for PP-150 (Lahore) are deemed accepted and her name is deemed included in the final list of candidates for the General Elections of 2024. This candidate shall immediately and forthwith, and it shall be the duty of the Election Commission to ensure that this is done, be allocated an election symbol.

3. The name of the candidate and her election symbol must appear on the ballot papers used in and for the general election to the constituency aforementioned and the said election for this constituency must be held on 08.02.2024, as scheduled.

Judge

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<u>Islamabad, the</u> 26th January, 2024 Naveed/*

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