

DECISION

of Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan on consideration of the appeal # 38 submitted to the Central Election Commission on February 6, 2025 in the Municipal Elections held on January 29, 2025

In the municipal elections held on January 29, 2025, Zarbaliyeva Parvana Baybala, candidate registered for membership on Kurkendi municipality from Sabirabad Con.EC # 67 appealed to the Central Election Commission (hereinafter referred to as the Central Election Commission) by telegram on February 6, 2025, challenging the Decision # 53/191 of the Constituency Election Commission dated February 5, 2025 and requesting that appropriate measures be taken in this regard.

The appeal was adopted for the implementation in comply with Articles 112 and 112-1 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan (Election Code) and relevant opinion was provided on filing the appeal upon violating the rules for destination by a member of the Expert Group under CEC and considered at the Commission session.

The applicant was informed of his right to submit additional materials, to participate in the investigation and the meeting of the Central Election Commission. Although the registered candidate P.B. Zarbaliyeva participated in the investigation, she did not attend the meeting of the commission.

The complaint of the registered candidate P.B. Zarbaliyeva regarding the alleged violations was investigated by the Constituency Election Commission of Sabirabad Constituency # 67, and by the decision of the Constituency Election Commission # 53/191 of February 5, 2025, the application was considered ungrounded and was not implemented.

In connection with the investigation, relevant documents were obtained from the Sabirabad Con.EC # 67, added to the proceedings materials and re-examined. During the investigation conducted by the Central Election Commission, the alleged violations of the law were not confirmed during the investigation of the materials submitted for investigation by the relevant election subjects at the polling stations disputed by the candidate, including the explanations provided by the observers who observed the voting process at those polling stations on voting day, the chairmen, secretaries, members of the polling station election commissions, registered but not elected candidates and the registered candidate P.B. Zarbaliyeva.

It was determined that the observers of registered candidate P.B. Zarbaliyeva at polling station # 24 signed an act confirming the absence of any violations of the law during the voting process and vote counting at that polling station.

As a result of the investigation, it was concluded that the voting process, vote counting, and work with election documents at polling stations # 22, 23 and 24 covering the Kurkendi municipality were carried out in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Election Code, and protocols on the voting results were drawn up by the polling station election commissions in accordance with the procedure provided for in that Code

and delivered to the constituency election commission of the relevant election constituency.

It should be noted that the Constituency Election Commission came to the correct legal conclusion when investigating the complaint of the registered candidate P.B. Zarbaliyeva.

Based on the above, the application of the registered candidate for membership of the Kurkendi municipality from Sabirabad constituency # 67, Zarbaliyeva Parvan Beybala, should not be implemented since it is ungrounded and the decision of the Constituency Election Commission # 53/191 of February 5, 2025 shall be remained without being amended.

Based on the above, in accordance with Articles 19.4, 28.2, 112, 112-1 of the Election Code the Central Election Commission **decides**:

1. The appeal # 38 of Zarbaliyeva Parvana Beybala, candidate registered for membership on Kurkendi municipality from Sabirabad Con.ECy # 67 dated February 6, 2025 shall not be implemented as it is ungrounded and the decision # 53/191 of the Constituency Election Commission dated February 5, 2025 shall be remained without being amended.
2. The decision shall be enforced upon its publication.

CEC Chairman

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