## **DECISION**

## of Central Election Commission

## of the Republic of Azerbaijan

on the arrangement of educational activities for chairpersons, secretaries, members of Constituency Election Commissions and chairpersons of Precinct Election Commissions

(Regarding the implementation the "National Activity Program for the protection of human rights and freedoms in the Republic of Azerbaijan", approved by Order of President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, dated December 27, 2011)

In the light of the implementation of the duties implied by "National Activity Plan for the protection of human rights in the Republic of Azerbaijan", approved by Order of President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, dated December 28, 2006, the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan (CEC), within its authority, has regularly organized professional courses on election rights, as well as, a number of the similar activities considered for awareness-raising of election stakeholders with the aim of increasing the level of professionalism of lower election commission members and also, for improving their professional skills and capabilities.

The preparation works for the arrangement of recent educational activities for all the Con.EC members, as well as, PEC chairpersons to improve the organization of the Presidential elections, dated April 11, 2018 with regard to the part on election commissions of the "National Activity Program for increasing the efficiency of protecting human rights and freedoms in the Republic of Azerbaijan", approved by Order of President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, dated December 27, 2011 in order to ensure the sustainability of "National Activity Plan for the protection of human rights in the Republic of Azerbaijan".

Study programs and schedules have been prepared in accordance with the volume of the educational materials and date of conduct of the courses, also it was considered appropriate to arrange one day seminar for the Con.EC chairpersons at the CEC administrative premises, as well as, to hold three days' regional courses for other members of Con.ECs and PEC chairpersons. It is planned to involve the CEC members, Secretariat officials and representatives of other relevant organizations in this process to increase the efficiency of the activities to be conducted.

Assuming the above-mentioned as a basis, Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan (CEC) **decides** according to Articles 19.4, 19.14, 28.2 and 28.4 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan:

- 1. The following educational activities shall be conducted in accordance with the activity plan and study program compiled in accordance with the implementation of the part on election commissions of the "National Activity Program for increasing the efficiency of protecting human rights and freedoms in the Republic of Azerbaijan":
- 1.1. One day seminar for the Con.EC chairpersons (in the CEC administrative premises in Baku on February 15, 2018);
- 1.2. Professional courses on election right for secretaries, members of Con.ECs and PEC chairpersons (in the administrative buildings of the relevant Con.ECs on February 19-21, 2018);

- 2. CEC and Con.ECs shall take relevant activities within their authorities to implement this decision.
  - 3. The decision shall be enforced upon its publication.

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