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THE AZAD JAMMU AND KASHMIR ELECTORAL ROLLS (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 1970 (Ordinance III of 1970)

(Passed under Government Order No. 1995-2075/SL/70, Dated, the 22nd April, 1970)

AN ORDINANCE

to amend the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Electoral Rolls Ordinance, 1970.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Electoral Rolls Ordinance, 1970 (Ordinance I of 1970), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

AND WHEREAS the State Council is not in session and the President is satisfied that immediate legislation is necessary;

Now, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 17 of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Government Act, 1968, the President, with the concurrence of the Chief Adviser, is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:-

- 1. **Short title and commencement:-** (1) This Ordinance may be called the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Electoral Rolls (Amendment) Ordinance, 1970.
 - (2) It shall come into force at once.
- 2. **Amendment of section 1, Ordinance I of 1970:-** In the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Electoral Rolls Ordinance, 1970 (Ordinance I of 1970), hereinafter referred to as the said Ordinance, in section 1, for sub-section (3) the following shall be substituted, namely:
 - " (3) It extends to the whole of Azad Jammu and Kashmir territory and shall also apply to all State subjects residing in West Pakistan ".
- 3. **Substitute of section 8, Ordinance I of 1970:-** In the said Ordinance, for section 8 the following shall be substituted, namely:-

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" 8. Electoral rolls for election on the basis of adult franchise:(1) Save as otherwise provided in sub-section (2), for the purposes of election on the basis of adult franchise, there shall be electoral rolls in relation to such areas, to be called electoral areas, as the Commissioner may, in consultation with the Government, determine.

- (2) Separate electoral rolls without reference to any electoral area shall be prepared for the State subjects residing in West Pakistan.".
- 4. **Amendment of section 12, Ordinance I of 1970:-** In the said Ordinance, in section 12, for sub-section (2) the following shall be substituted, namely:-
 - " (2) A person who, for any reason, resides in an electoral area other than the electoral area in which he would have, but for such reason, been resident shall, unless he otherwise indicates in writing to the Registration Officer, be deemed to be resident in the latter electoral area.".