

THE PASSPORT (OFFENCES) ORDER, 1968

(No. H&P/SS/10893-901/68, Dated 18th October, 1968).

In pursuance of the provisions of section 3 of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Civil Defence Act, 1951, the Azad Government of the State of Jammu and Kashmir is pleased to make the following Order:-

1. **Short title extent and commencement:-** (1) This Order may be called the Passport (Offences) Order, 1968.
 - (2) It extends to the whole of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Territory and also applies to all citizens of Azad Jammu and Kashmir wherever they may be.
 - (3) It shall come into force at once.
2. **Definition:-** In this Order the word 'Passport' means and includes any permit, or 'other travel document' issued by or under the authority of the Government of Pakistan authorising the holder thereof to travel from Pakistan to any other country, or from any other country to Pakistan.
3. **Acts prohibited in relation to passports:-** (1) No person shall:
 - (a) make, attest or verify a statement which is found to be untrue in any document used for obtaining a passport; or
 - (b) make use of any statement which is found to be untrue in any document for obtaining a passport; or
 - (c) wilfully conceal any fact which under the circumstances he ought to disclose for the purpose of obtaining a passport for himself or another person; or
 - (d) forge, alter or tamper with any passport or any document which he uses for obtaining a passport; or
 - (e) use a passport or a document for obtaining a passport which has forged, altered, or tampered with; or
 - (f) be in wrongful possession of a passport not lawfully issued to him or allow his passport to be used by another person; or
 - (g) traffic in passports or any documents required for obtaining a

passport; or

(h) wilfully fail or neglect to return a passport issued to him, if he is required to do so or if the passport is cancelled.

4. The burden of proving that a statement has made in any document used for obtaining a passport is true shall lie on the person making, attesting, or verifying such statement.
 5. The offences under this Order will be cognizable.
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