

**AZAD GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR  
LAW, JUSTICE, PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RIGHTS  
DEPARTMENT MUZAFFARABAD**

Dated: 15th May, 2017

No. LD/Legis-Act/316-326/2017. The following Act of Assembly received the assent of the President on the 10th day of May 2017, is hereby published for general information.

**(Act XXIII of 2017)**

**An  
Act**

further to amend the Azad Penal Code, 1860

WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Azad Penal Code, 1860 (Act XLV of 1860), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and Commencement.**- (1) This Act may be called the Azad Penal Code (Amendment) Act, 2017.  
(2) It shall come into force at once.
2. **Amendment of Section 353, Act XLV of 1860.**- In the Azad Penal Code, 1860 (Act XLV of 1860), as adopted and enforced in Azad Jammu and Kashmir, in Section 353, for the word "two" the word "seven" shall be substituted.
3. **Repeal.**- The Azad Penal Code (Amendment) Ordinance, 2017 (Ordinance IV of 2017), is hereby repealed.

Sd/-  
(Mehr-un-Nisa Qadri)  
Section Officer (Legislation)