

**THE AZAD GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF JAMMU &  
KASHMIR LAW & PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS  
SECRETARIAT, MUZAFFARABAD**

The following Ordinance approved by the Legislative Assembly held on 19th December, 1972, is hereby published for general information:-

**THE AZAD JAMMU AND KASHMIR CENSUS (AMENDMENT)  
ORDINANCE 1972**

**(ORDINANCE X OF 1972)**

An Ordinance to amend the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Census Act, 1959 (VII of 1959).

Whereas it is expedient to amend the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Census Act, 1959 (VII of 1959) for the purpose hereinafter appearing;

And whereas the Legislative Assembly is not in session and the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render Immediate legislation necessary;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 24 of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Government Act, 1970 and all other powers enabling him in that behalf, the President 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 Census (Amendment) Ordinance, 1972.  
  
(2) It shall come into force at once.
2. **Amendment of section 12, the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Census Act, 1959 (VII of 1959):-** In the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Census Act, 1959 (VII of 1959) in section 12, for the words "fine which may extend to two hundred rupees," the words and commas "rigorous imprisonment for a term which may extend to one month, or with fine which may extend to two hundred rupees, or with both," shall be substituted-

Sd/-

Sardar Mohammad Abdul Qayyum Khan,  
President, Azad Jammu and Kashmir.