

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

Dated the 20th December, 1979.

No. 5993/SL/79. The following Ordinance made by the President on the 20th day of December, 1979, is hereby published for general information:-

(ORDINANCE CLXXI OF 1979)

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ORDINANCE

to amend the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Chhamb Area Administration and Development Act, 1976

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Chhamb Area Administration and Development Act, 1976 (Act II of 1976) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

AND WHEREAS the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 41 of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Interim Constitution Act, 1974, 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 Chhamb Area Administration and Development (Amendment) Ordinance, 1979.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of Section 2, Act II of 1976.**- In the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Chhamb Area Administration and Development Act, 1976 (Act II of 1976), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in Section 2, for sub-section (3) the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"(3) 'Deputy Commissioner' means the Deputy Commissioner of Mirpur District and any other person

appointed as Deputy Commissioner to perform the duties as such under this Act.”

3. **Amendment of Section 4, Act II of 1976.**- In the said Act, in Section 4, in subsection (1), for clause (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv), the following shall be substituted, namely:-
- "(i) 1965 War refugees from Indian held-part of the State of Jammu and Kashmir duly registered with the Deputy Commissioner of the respective districts in Azad Jammu and Kashmir;
 - (ii) Ex-Servicemen;
 - (iii) 1971 War displaced persons;
 - (iv) land owners of the Chhamb Area who have not been allotted any agricultural land either in Pakistan or in Azad Jammu and Kashmir in lieu of land held by them in Chhamb Area or whose allotment of land is less than the land they owned in Chhamb Area prior to October, 1947".
4. **Savings.**- Notwithstanding any judgment, decree or order of any court including High Court, every thing done, all actions taken, notifications issued, orders or appointments made, proceedings initiated, jurisdiction or powers exercised under the provisions of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Chhamb Area Administration and Development (Amendment) Ordinance, 1977 (Ordinance VIII of 1977) or its succeeding Ordinances issued from time to time shall be deemed to have been validly done, taken, issued, made, initiated or exercised under this Ordinance.

(Mohammad Hayat Khan)
President,
Azad Jammu & Kashmir.

Sd - (Khalil Ahmed Qureshi)
Secretary Law.