

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

Dated the 28th April, 1981.

No. 2799/LD/81. The following Ordinance made by the President on the 26th day of April, 1981, is hereby published for general information:-

**(ORDINANCE LXXX OF 1981)**

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to provide for law relating to Court Dress and the Mode of Address in the Superior Courts.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for law relating to the Court Dress and Mode of Address in the Superior Courts, in the manner 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, Extent and Commencement.-** (1) This Ordinance may be called the Superior Courts (Court Dress and Mode of Address) Ordinance, 1981.
  - (2) It extends to the whole of Azad Jammu and Kashmir.
  - (3) It shall come into force at once.
2. **Definitions.-** In the Ordinance:-
  - (a) "Superior Court" means the Supreme Court of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, the High Court or the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Shariat Court;
  - (b) "Judge" includes the Chief Justice, or in the case of Shariat Court, the Chairman or member thereof.
3. **Court Dress etc.-** A Judge of a Superior Court shall wear:-
  - (a) While he is attending sittings of the Court, a black sherwani without bands and, during winter, a black gown; and
  - (b) while he is attending State or ceremonial functions, a black sherwani without bands; and, if he uses a

headgear, it shall be a Quaid (Jinnah) cap of black colour.

4. **Mode of address.-** The use of the expressions “My Lord” and “Your Lordship” and the like, in relation to a Judge shall be discontinued and he shall only be addressed as “Sir” or “Janab-e-Wala” or “Janab-e-ali” or referred to in judgments, correspondence or other instruments as “Mr. Justice” so and so or the like.

(Mohammad Hayat Khan)  
President  
Azad Jammu and Kashmir

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