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

Dated 12th April, 1984.

No.658/LD/84. The following Ordinance made by the President on the 12th day of the April, 1984, is hereby published for general information:-

(ORDINANCE LXXXIV of 1984)

AN ORDINANCE

to adapt and enforce the West Pakistan Highways Ordinance, 1959.

WHEREAS it is expedient to adapt and enforce the West Pakistan Highways Ordinance, 1959 (Ordinance XXXII of 1959) of Pakistan in Azad Jammu and Kashmir in the manner hereinafter appearing.

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

NOW THERFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by subsection (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. <u>Short title, Extent and Commencement.</u> (1) This Ordinance may be called the West Pakistan Highways Ordinance (Adaptation) Ordinance, 1984.
 - (2) It extends to the whole of Azad Jammu and Kashmir.
 - (3) It shall come into force at once.
- 2. <u>Adaptation of the Ordinance</u>.- The West Pakistan Highways Ordinance, 1959 (Ordinance XXXII of 1959) of Pakistan, hereinafter referred to as the said Ordinance, is hereby adapted in Azad Jammu and Kashmir and shall, as far as practicable, be enforced in Azad Jammu and Ksahmir alongwith all amendments made in the said Ordinance and all rules made thereunder in Pakistan subject to the modifications that the expressions "Government", "Provincial Government" or any other expression, however, worded referring to any executive Government shall, as far as practicable, be construed to refer the Azad Government of the State of Jammu and Kshmir and reference to West Pakistan or any part of Pakistan, shall be construed to refer to the Azad Jammu and Kashmir.

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3. <u>Amendment of Section 6, Ordinance XXXII of 1959</u>.- In the said Ordinance, for Section 6, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"(a) **Enforcements:-** (1) Any person who sets up any fence, hedges, or raises a construction within the High ways, limits specified by the Government for the respective Highways or road, by notification in the official Gazette or within the earmarked areas for Highways, without written permission of the Highways Authorities, shall be punished with fine which may extend to ten thousand rupees, and the Executive Engineer, Highways concerned may without giving any notice, remove the offending structure, fence, hedges, post, deposit, goods, articles, stall or scaffolding and recover the cost from the defaulters.

"(2) The executive Engineer, Highways concerned or any person empowered by him in this behalf, while removing the offending structure, fence, hedges, post, deposits, goods, articles, stalls or scaffoldings may use such force including Police force as may be necessary and may also recover the actual cost incurred thereof, form the person responsible for the offending structure as arrears of land revenue."

4. <u>Amendment of Section 8, Ordinance XXXII of 1959</u>.- In the said Ordinance, in sub-section (1) of Section 8, for clause (b) the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"(b) to erect any building upon land within the specified limits from middle of the Highway."

5. <u>**Removal of difficulties.**</u> If any difficulty or question arises in giving effect to the provisions of the said Ordinance or this Ordinance, the Government may, from time to time, give such directions as may appear to it to be necessary for the purpose of removal of such difficulty.

Sd/(Major General (Retd) Abdul Rehman Khan President Azad Jammu & Kashmir

> Sd/- (Khalil Ahmed Qureshi) Secretary Law.