

**AZAD GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR  
LAW AND PARLTAMENTARY AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT  
MUZAFFARABAD**

Dated the 8th November, 1988.

No. 656-70/LD/88, The following Ordinance made by the President on the 8th day of November, 1988, is hereby published for general information:-

**(ORDINANCE LXI OF 1988)**

AN

**ORDINANCE**

to adapt and enforce the Registration of Printing Press and publications Ordinance, 1988, in Azad Jammu and Kashmir.

WHEREAS it is expedient to adapt and enforce the Registration of Printing Press and Publications Ordinance, 1988 (VII of 1988), in Azad Jammu and Kashmir:-

AND WHEREAS the legislative Assembly is not in session and the President is satisfied that the circumstance 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 (VII of 1974), the President is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:-

1. **Short title Extent, Application and Commencement.**- (1) This Ordinance may be called the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Council Registration of Printing Press and Publications (Adaptation) Ordinance, 1988.
  - (2) It extends to the whole of Azad Jammu and Kashmir and shall also apply to all State Subjects wherever they may be.
  - (3) it shall come into force at once.
2. **Adaptation of the Registration of Printing Press and publications Ordinance, 1988 (Ordinance No. VII of 1988).**- The Registration of Printing Press and Publications Ordinance, 1988 (Ordinance No. VII of 1988), is adapted and shall be in force in Azad Jammu and Kashmir subject to the modification that, in the said Ordinance,-
  - (a) reference to "Pakistan" or any part of Pakistan shall be construed as a reference to Azad Jammu and Kashmir;
  - (b) reference to "Government" shall be construed as a reference to the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Council; and
  - (c) for Section 36 the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"36. **Copies of newspaper to be delivered gratis.**- The printer of every newspaper printed in Azad Jammu and Kashmir, and the publisher of every

newspaper published but not printed in Azad Jammu and Kashmir, shall deliver as soon as it is published, free of cost, one copy of each issue of such newspaper to the District Magistrate within whose jurisdiction it is printed or, as the case may be, published and three such copies to an officer specified by the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Council in this behalf.”

3. **Repeal.**- The Azad Jammu and Kashmir Council Press and Publications (Adaptation) Act, 1979 (Act VI of 1979), is hereby repealed.
4. **Savings.**- (1) Notwithstanding the repeal of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Council Press and Publications (Adaptation) Act, 1979 (Act VI of 1979), hereinafter referred to as the said Act every declaration made, subscribed or authenticated under the said Act shall be deemed to have been made, subscribed or authenticated under this Ordinance.  
(2) Anything done, action taken, rule made or notice issued under the said Act shall, so far as it is not inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, remain in force and be deemed to have been done, taken, made or issued under this Ordinance.  
(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (2), any notice to deposit security “under the provisions of the said Act shall stand vacated, and any security deposit made under the said Act shall be liable to be refunded to the depositor of such security upon the commencement of this Ordinance.
5. **Adaptation of amendments of Ordinance of VII of 1988.**- As soon as an amendment is made, at any time after the commencement of this Ordinance, in the Registration of Printing Press and Publications Ordinance, 1988 (VII of 1988), the said Ordinance as in force in Azad Jammu and Kashmir shall stand amended to the same extent and in the same manner.

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(Sardar Muhammad Abdul Qayyum Khan)  
President.  
Azad Jammu and Kashmir

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Deputy Secretary Law