

**AZAD GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR**  
Law, Justice, Parliamentary Affairs and Human Rights Department

\*\*\*\*\*

**"MUZAFFARABAD"**

Dated: 15.08.2024

No. LD/Legis./Ord./140-53/2024. The following Ordinance made by the President on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024, is hereby published for general information.

**[Ordinance VIII of 2024]**

**An**

**Ordinance**

further to amend the Azad Penal Code, 1860

**Whereas**, it is expedient further to amend the Azad Penal Code, 1860 (Act XLV of 1860), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

**And whereas**, the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly is not in session and the President Azad Jammu and Kashmir is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action;

**Now, therefore**, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-Article (1) of Article 41 of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Interim Constitution, 1974, the President is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:-

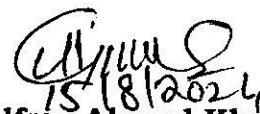
1. **Short title and Commencement.**- (1) This Ordinance may be called the Azad Penal Code (First Amendment) Ordinance, 2024.  
(2) It shall come into force at once.
2. **Amendment of Section 505, Act XLV of 1860.**- In the Azad Penal Code 1860 (Act XLV of 1860), as adapted and in force in Azad Jammu and Kashmir, at the end of sub-section (2) of Section 505, the existing Explanation clause shall be renumbered as Explanation-I and thereafter following new Explanation-II shall be added:-

**"Explanation-II:** The community shall also include Government, Government Institutions, Government Officials and Public at Large."

-sd-

**President**

Azad Jammu and Kashmir



**(Gulfraz Ahmed Khan)**

Section Officer (Legislation)