

BALOCHISTAN PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT.
NOTIFICATION.

Dated Quetta, the 07th October, 2022.

No.PAB/Legis:V(28)/2022/9044. The Balochistan Land Revenue Amendment Bill, 2022 (Bill No.28 of 2022), having been passed by the Provincial Assembly of Balochistan on 27th September, 2022 and assented to by the Governor Balochistan, on 03rd October,2022 is hereby published as an Act of the Balochistan Provincial Assembly.

THE BALOCHISTAN LAND REVENUE (AMENDMENT) ACT 2022
ACT NO. XXV OF 2022.

**AN
ACT**

to further amend the Balochistan Land Revenue Act, 1967 (Act XVII of 1967)

Preamble

WHEREAS, it is expedient to further amend the Balochistan Land Revenue Act, 1967(Act XVII of 1967), in the manner hereinafter appearing;
It is here by enacted as follows: -

Short title and commencement.

- (1) This Act, may be called The Balochistan Land Revenue (Amendment) Act, 2022.
- (2) It shall come into force at once.

Amendment of section 4 of the Act No. XVII of 1967.

- (2) In the Balochistan Land Revenue Act, 1967 (Act No. XVII of 1967), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 4,-

- (a) after clause (23), the following new clauses shall be inserted, namely: -

“23-a “Markaz-e-Saholiyat” means the Markaz -e-Saholiyat established by the Board of Revenue to update or amend land records through digitized processes, and provide digitized land records to general public”;

“23-b “Markaz-e-Saholiyat official” means an official, who provides services in the Markaz-e-Saholiyat.”; *and*

- (b) in clause (28), after the word and comma “Patwari’s,”, the words and comma “Markaz-e-Saholiyat official,” shall be inserted.

Insertion of new section 41-A the Act No. XVII of 1967.

(3) In the said Act, after section 41, the following new section shall be inserted, namely:

“41-A. Digitized periodical records. (1) After the commencement of the Balochistan Land Revenue (Amendment) Act, 2022, the Board of Revenue shall, by notification in the official Gazette, specify a date for the commencement of the operation of digitized edition of record-of-rights of an estate or a group of estates in a District.

(2) The Collector shall cause to be prepared periodically by the Markaz-e-Saholiyat official, as the Board of Revenue may direct, a digitized edition of the record-of-rights of an estate or a group of estates.

(3) The digitized edition of record-of-rights shall be called the digitized periodical record for an estate and shall comprise the statements mentioned in clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 39.

(4) The Collector shall cause to maintain by the Markaz-e-Saholiyat official, in digitized form, record of mutations in an estate and other documents, as may be prescribed.

(5) The Board of Revenue shall, by notification in the official Gazette, prohibit manual preparation of periodical record of an estate or group of estates in a District, under section-41 from a specified date.

(6) The Board of Revenue shall cause to prepare, in digitized form, the latest edition of the periodical record of an estate, if no such record exists.”.

Amendment of section 42 of Act No. XVII of 1967.

(4) In the said Act, in section-42, in sub-section (1),-

(a) for the words “Any person”, the words “Subject to other provisions of this Chapter, a person” shall be substituted;

(b) in clause (c), for the words “Union Committee, Town Committee or Union Council”, the words “respective local council” shall be substituted;

(c) in sub-section (5), for the words “the Chairman of the Union Committee, Town Committee or Union Council”, the words “the Chairman of the Union Council, District Council and

Municipal Committee as the case may be” shall be substituted; *and*

- (d) in sub-section (11), for the words “Union Committee, Town Committee or Union Council” the words “Union Council, District Council and Municipal Committee as the case may be” shall be substituted.

Insertion of section 42-A, Act No. XVII of 1967.

- (5) In the said Act, after section-42, the following new section shall be inserted, namely:

“42-A. Report of acquisition of rights. (1) After Notification by the Board of Revenue regarding operationalization of the Markaz-e-Saholiyat in an estate, a person, acquiring a right in an estate by inheritance, purchase, mortgage, gift or otherwise as a land owner or a tenant for a fixed term exceeding one year, shall, within three months from the date of the acquisition, report his acquisition of the right to the Markaz-e-Saholiyat official of the estate.

(2) If the person acquiring the right is a minor or is otherwise unable to report, his guardian or other person having charge of his property, shall make the report to the Markaz-e-Saholiyat official.

(3) The Markaz-e-Saholiyat official shall enter the particular of the report and the prescribed document identity in the computerized system, and shall also obtain the signatures or thumb impression and computerized national identity card number of the person making the report.

(4) The Markaz-e-Saholiyat official shall, in the prescribed manner, inform the person making the report, about the particulars of the mutation requested, and other documents required for processing the mutation, fee or tax payable, any other prescribed requirements, and the date on which the parties shall appear in the Markaz-e-Saholiyat official for enquiry and order on the requested mutation by the Revenue Officer.

(5) The Markaz-e-Saholiyat official shall publish a copy of the report and other particulars in such manner as may be prescribed.

(6) On the date specified by the Markaz-e-Saholiyat official, the Revenue Officer shall, in the prescribed manner, hold enquiry into the correctness of the entries in the report and make such order as he thinks fit with respect to any entry in the digitized periodical record relating to

the right acquired.

(7) The Revenue Officer shall hold such enquiry in the immediate presence of the person whose right has been acquired and keep photographic evidence thereof unless the person whose right has been acquired is a legal person or unable personally to attend the enquiry because of the prescribed circumstances, or if the right has been acquired through inheritance, registered deed, or by an order of a Court or any other competent authority.

(8) If the person, whose right has been acquired, is a legal person or a person, who is personally unable to attend the enquiry because of the prescribed circumstances, the Revenue Officer shall hold the enquiry in the immediate presence of an authorized agent of such person and shall obtain his signatures or thumb impression and computerized national identity card number as token of correctness and keep photographic evidence thereof.”.

Amendment of section-43 of the Act No. XVII of 1967.

(6) In the said Act, in section-43,-

(a) in clause (a), after the word “patwari”, the words “or Markaz-e-Saholiyat official, or both as the case may be” shall be inserted; *and*

(b) for clause (b), the following shall be substituted, namely: -

“(b) if it is disputed, be entered by the patwari or Markaz-e-Saholiyat official, in the register of mutation or generate report in digitized record, as the case may be, and dealt with in the manner provided in sub-sections (6) to (11) of section-42.”.

Amendment of section-47, Act No. XVII of 1967.

(7) In the said Act, in section-47, in sub-sections (1) and (2), after the word “patwari”, wherever occurring, the words “or Markaz-e-Saholiyat official” shall respectively be inserted.

Amendment of section-48, Act No. XVII of 1967.

(8) In the said Act, for section-48, the following shall be substituted, namely: -

“48. Penalty.—A person, who neglects to make the report required to be made, within three months from the date of his acquisition of a right referred to in section-42 or section 42-A or who fails to

furnish the information or produce the documents required under section-47, shall be liable, at the discretion of the Collector, to a fine not exceeding ten thousand rupees.”

Amendment of section 55 of the Act No. XVII of 1967.

(9) In the said Act, in section-55, -

- (a) in clause (d), the word “and” appearing at the end shall be omitted;
- (b) in clause (e), the “full-stop”, appearing at the end shall be substituted by “semi-colon” and thereafter the word “and” shall be added; *and*
- (c) after clause (e), as so amended the following new clause shall be added, namely: -
 - “(f) for reporting, preparation, authentication, revision and correction of digitized land records.”.

Amendment of section 177, Act No. XVII of 1967.

(10) In the said Act, in section-177, the “full-stop”, appearing at the end shall be substituted by “colon” and thereafter the following proviso shall be added, namely:

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“Provided that a Markaz-e-Saholiyat official or an officer authorized by the Board of Revenue, shall issue a copy or an extract of the digitized land record in the prescribed manner and the Patwari of an estate shall not, after the expiry of the date under subsection (1) of section 42-A, issue a copy or an extract of a land record which has been digitized.”

(TAHIR SHAH KAKAR)
Secretary.

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(ABDUL REHMAN)
Special Secretary (Legis:)

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5. The Director General, Public Relations, Balochistan, Quetta.
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