BALOCHISTAN PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT.

NOTIFICATION.

Dated Quetta, the 12th June, 2023.

No.PAB/Legis:V(03)/2023/12351. The Balochistan Compulsory Teaching of the Holy Qur'an Bill, 2023 (Bill No. 03 of 2023), having been passed by the Provincial Assembly of Balochistan on 09th June, 2023 and assented to by the Governor Balochistan, on 12th June, 2023 is hereby published as an Act of the Balochistan Provincial Assembly.

THE BALOCHISTAN COMPULSORY TEACHING OF THE HOLY QUR'AN ACT, 2023 ACT NO. III OF 2023.

AN ACT

to provide for making compulsory teaching of the Holy Qur'an to Muslim students in all educational institutions in Balochistan.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, it is expedient to provide for making compulsory teaching of the Holy Qur'an to Muslim students in all educational institutions in Balochistan and for the matters connected therewith and ancillary thereto:

It is hereby enacted as under:

Short title, extent, commencement, and application.

- 1. (1) This Act may be called "The Balochistan Compulsory Teaching of the Holy Qur'an Act, 2023".
 - (2) It shall extend to the whole of Balochistan.
 - (3) It shall come into force at once.
- (4) It shall apply only to Muslim students in all educational institutions in Balochistan.

Definitions.

- 2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context, -
 - (a) "**Act**" means the Balochistan Compulsory Teaching of the Holy Qur'an Act, 2023;
 - (b) "Educational institutions" means any school, college, institute, or otherwise by whatever name called for, established and setup in public or private sector for imparting education to students irrespective of its status whether

registered or not registered with the Government or any other body;

- (c) "Government" means the Government of Balochistan;
- (d) "Naazrah Qur'an" means learning of Tajweed and proper recitation by sighting of the Arabic text using rules of Tajweed;
- (e) **"Prescribed"** means prescribed by rules made under this Act; *and*
- (f) "Rules" means the rules made under this Act.

Compulsory teaching of the Holy Qur'an.

- 3. (1) There shall be, in all educational institutions, compulsory teaching of, -
 - (a) the Naazrah Qur'an in classes, grades or, as the case may be, levels I to V in prescribed manner; and
 - (b) the translation of the Holy Qur'an in classes, grades or, as the case may be, levels VI to XII in such prescribed manner that the entire Holy Qur'an is completed upto class, grade or, as the case may be, level XII.
 - (2) The Government shall ensure implementation of the Act in the manner as may be prescribed.

Powers to make rules.

4. The Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules for carrying out of the purposes of this Act.

Act not to be derogatory to any other law.

5. The provision of this Act shall be in addition to, and not in derogatory of any other law for the time being in force.

(TAHIR SHAH KAKAR)
Secretary.

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(ABDUL REHMAN)

Special Secretary (Legis:)

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Dated Quetta, the 12th June, 2023.

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- 3. The Secretary Government of Balochistan, School Education Department, Quetta.
- 4. The Secretary, Government of Balochistan, Law and Parliamentary Affairs Department, Quetta.
- 5. The Director General, Public Relations, Balochistan, Quetta.
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