

**NOTIFICATION.**

**No.PAB/Legis:V(24)/2025/5540.** The Balochistan Finance Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 24 of 2025), having been passed by the Provincial Assembly of Balochistan on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2025, and assented to by the Governor Balochistan on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025, is hereby published as an Act of the Provincial Assembly of Balochistan.

**THE BALOCHISTAN FINANCE ACT, 2025 (ACT NO. XVIII OF 2025).**

**AN  
ACT**

To give effect to the financial proposals of the Provincial Government for the year beginning on the first day of July, 2025, and to amend certain laws.

**Preamble.**

**WHEREAS,** it is expedient to make provisions to give effect to the financial proposals of the Provincial Government for the year beginning on the first day of July, 2025, and to amend certain laws for the purposes hereinafter appearing.-

It is hereby enacted as follows.-

1.

- (1) This Act shall be called the Balochistan Finance Act ,2025.
- (2) It extends to the whole of Balochistan.
- (3) Unless otherwise provided, it shall be deemed to have come into force on and from the first day of July, 2025.

**Amendment in 2. (1) in Provincial Motor Vehicle Ordinance, 1965 (West Pakistan Ordinance No. XIX of 1965).**

- (1) in Provincial Motor Vehicle Ordinance, 1965 (West Pakistan Ordinance No. XIX of 1965) In section 25, after sub section (4) following two new sub sections shall be inserted.-

“(5) An owner of vehicle may submit an application to the registering authority for allocation of personalized vanity plates that are linked with a particular registration mark and the owner shall display on the motor vehicle the personalized vanity plates.

**Explanation:** The personalized vanity plates are made of such material, format and specifications and are issued in such manner as may be prescribed.

- (6) The Government may, by a notification, direct the owners of motor vehicles registered in a district to obtain a set of two number plates of the prescribed description within the period and in accordance with the procedure, as may be specified.”

(2)

**In Schedule-VI.-**

- (a) for Serial No. 1 to 8 except 5 under the title “Non-Commercial Vehicles” under column No. 5 titled Specifications, the specifications shall be substituted with “325 x 152 mm” and for Serial No. 5 the specification shall be substituted with “front 205 x 70mm & rear 200 x 170 mm”.



(b) for **Serial No. 1 to 12 except 5** under the title “**Commercial Vehicles**” the specifications in **column No. 5** shall be substituted with “**325 x 152 mm**” and for **Serial No. 5** the specification shall be substituted with “**front 205 x 70mm & rear 200 x 170 mm**”.

(b) for table under the title “**Others**” shall be substituted with following :

S. No.	Category	Series	Colour of number plate	Specifications
1	Government, Semi Government, Autonomous Bodies and public sector Universities	<p>a. For all types of vehicles except Tractors, Motorcycles and Scooters “GBA” to “GBZ” from “001 to 999”;</p> <p>(b) For Tractors, Motorcycles and Scooters “GA” to “GZ” from “0001 to 9999”</p>	<p>Green background with white lettering for Government owned vehicles.</p> <p>(white strip on top of number plate of semi government, autonomous bodies and public sector universities)</p>	<p>a. Four wheelers 325 x 152 mm</p> <p>(b) Two wheelers; front 205 x 70 mm and rear 200 x 170 mm</p>

**Explanation:** (1) All Motor Registering Authorities shall use a unified series for allotment of registration marks to Government/Semi Government, autonomous bodies and Public Sector Universities owned vehicles. The series shall follow the aforesaid group of letters and shall also indicate the name of province at the bottom of plate as follows:

GBA-001  
Balochistan

(2) The registration marks shall consist of alphabets and numeric, but the serial number 420 and alphabets “O” & “I” shall not be included in any series.

(3) The **personalized vanity plates** allocated under subsection (5) of section 25 of Provincial Motor Vehicle Ordinance 1965 shall be displayed on a motor vehicle.

4) The department shall appoint an officer or committee for approval of the design, contents, pictures or image (in accordance with the ideology of Islam and Islamic Republic of Pakistan) for any particular **personalized vanity plates**.

(5) The new registration marks/series in respect of each category as defined in tables under title **Commercial** and **Non-Commercial** shall be notified by the department on the recommendation of departmental committee.”



Amendment in 3.  
Balochistan  
Motor Vehicle  
Taxation Act,  
1958 (West  
Pakistan Act  
No. XXXII of  
1958).

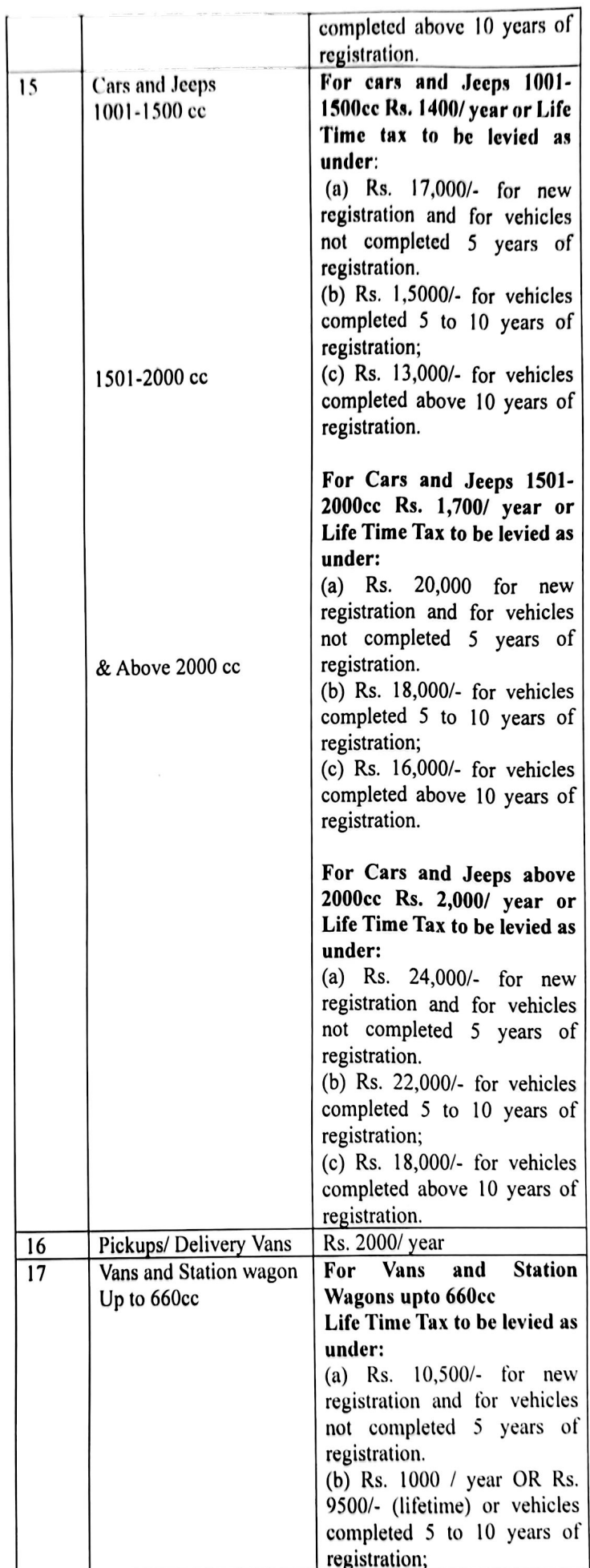
(1) in Balochistan Motor Vehicle Taxation Act, 1958 (West Pakistan Act No. XXXII of 1958) For the existing schedule, the following shall be substituted.-

**"SCHEDULE"**

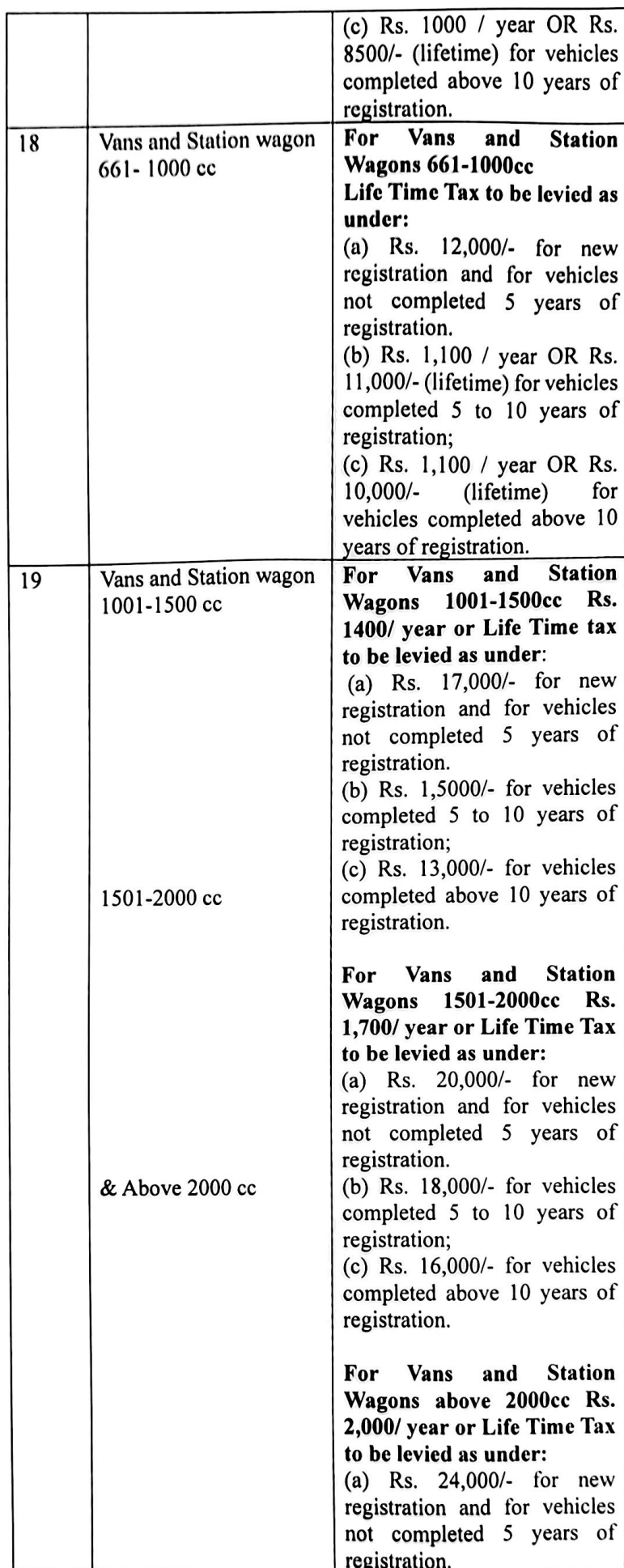
See section 3

Sr.No.	Description of Motor Vehicle	Rate of Tax
1	Rickshaw	Rs. 2,000/ year
2	Tractor (for Agriculture purpose)	Exempted
3	Tractor with Trolley/Tanker	Rs. 5,000/year
4	Motorcycle /Scooter	Rs. 1,500/- Lifetime
5	Motorcycle with Trolley	Rs. 1000 / year
6	Mini Truck 4060-8119 kg	Rs. 4,000 / Year
7	Truck/Oil Tanker 8120-14200 kg (6 wheeler)	Rs. 5,000 / Year
8	Truck/Oil Tanker 14201-28000 kg (10/12 wheeler)	Rs. 6,000 / Year
9	Trailers (All types)	Rs. 6,000 / Year
10	Bus HTV (up to seating capacity 44)	Rs. 150 / Seat / Year
11	Bus HTV (above seating capacity 44)	Rs. 100 / Seat / year
12	Mini Buses LTV	Rs. 100 / Seat / Year
13	Cars and Jeeps Up to 660cc	<b>For cars and Jeeps up to 660cc</b> <b>Life Time Tax to be levied as under:</b> (a) Rs. 10,500/- for new registration and for vehicles not completed 5 years of registration. (b) Rs. 1000 / year OR Rs. 9500/- (lifetime) for vehicles completed 5 to 10 years of registration; (c) Rs. 1000 / year OR Rs. 8500/- (lifetime) for vehicles completed above 10 years of registration.
14	Cars and Jeeps 661-1000cc	<b>For cars and Jeeps 661-1000cc</b> <b>Life Time Tax to be levied as under:</b> (a) Rs. 12,000 for new registration and for vehicles not completed 5 years of registration. (b) Rs. 1,100 / year OR Rs. 11,000 (lifetime) for vehicles completed 5 to 10 years of registration; (c) Rs. 1,100 / year OR Rs. 10,000 (lifetime) for vehicles









		(b) Rs. 22,000 /- for vehicles completed 5 to 10 years of registration; (c) Rs. 20,000 for vehicles completed above 10 years of registration.
20	Penalty	Rs. 120/- per quarter

**(2) In section 13 after subsection (4) the following new subsection (5) shall be added:-**

(5) All foreign investment of US \$ 1.5 Billion or more, made into the province of Balochistan, in any section, industries or projects, shall be exempted from provision of Balochistan Motor vehicle taxation Act, 1958.

**Amendment in  
Balochistan  
Urban  
Immovable  
Property Tax  
Act, 1958  
(West Pakistan  
Act No. V of  
1958).**

**4. (1) in Balochistan Urban Immovable Property Tax Act, 1958 (West Pakistan Act No. V of 1958) in section 2.-**

(a) after clause (d), the following new clause shall be inserted:

(d-a) "high value property" means the property of a value as provided in sub-section (3) of section 5;

(b) in clause (e), for the word "perpetuity", the word "possession" shall be substituted;

(c) after clause (g), the following new clause shall be inserted:

(g-a) "Schedule" means the Schedule appended to the Act;

(d) after clause (i), the following new clause shall be inserted:

(j) "valuation table" means the valuation table notified under the Stamp Act 1899;

**(2) In section 3.-**

(a) for sub-section (2), the following shall be substituted:

"(2) Subject to sub-sections (3) and (4), there shall be levied, charged and paid, a tax on the taxable value of a building and land in a rating area at the rate given in the Schedule:

(b) sub-section (6) shall be omitted.

**(3) After Section 3, the following new sections shall be inserted:**

**"3-A. Share of local bodies in the tax.-** Tax collected under this Act within the limits of a Metropolitan Corporation, a Municipal Corporation, a Municipal Committee, a Town Committee or any other authority legally entitled to or entrusted by the Government with the control or management of a municipal or local fund, the Government shall pay hundred percent of the tax collection to such Metropolitan Corporation, Municipal Corporation, Municipal Committee, Town Committee or any other authority, as the case may be.

**3-AA. Time, Manner and Mode of Payment.-** (1) For the purpose of section 3-A, a tax shall be paid by any of the following modes:-

- (i) through deposit in designated branch of a scheduled bank; or
- (ii) through such other mode and manner as may be specified.

(2) A person shall make payment of tax due in any designated branch of a schedule bank in the head of account of the respective urban council, from where tax has been collected, on the prescribed payment challan or through electronic payment system devised for the purpose.

(3) The officer responsible for making payment against the rent of a private land or building occupied for public purpose shall deduct tax



due under section 3 from the payment to be made to landlord and shall pay the amount of tax in head of account for respective urban area against a challan in prescribed Form.

(4) A digital or physical copy of each tax demand notice issued by the assessing authority shall be shared with the Chief Officer or Administrative Head of the respective Urban Council.

(5) A District Steering, Oversight and Support Committee for urban immovable property tax shall be constituted in every district; comprised of assessing authority of the district, head of respective urban councils and representative of district administration (not below the rank of BPS-17) with terms of reference to monitor the progress of assessments and collection; assist in updating valuation lists; review and recommend necessary field corrections to ensure accuracy and equity in assessment; and submit a consolidated quarterly performance report to the Department. The Committee shall meet at least once in a quarter or as often as necessary.

**3-B. Tax to be leviable in cantonment:-**

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or any other law for the time being in force;

- (a) the tax charged and leviable under this Act shall be charged and leviable in a cantonment by the Cantonment Board;
- (b) the Cantonment Board of cantonment shall continue to levy, assess, collect and recover the tax assessed on the annual value of buildings and lands, in accordance with the provisions of the Cantonment Act, 1924; and
- (c) all provisions of the Cantonment Act, 1924, relating to assessment, collection, valuation, exemption, offenses, penalties, appeals and recovery of tax shall be applicable to the tax levied under this section.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, or any other law or anything to the contrary contained in any decree, judgement or order of any court, the tax levied, charged, assessed, collected, or realized on annual value of buildings and lands, under Article 3 of the Cantonments (Urban Immovable Property Tax and Entertainments Duty) Order, 1979 (President's Order No. 13 of 1979) or Cantonment Act, 1924 shall be deemed to have been validly levied, charged, assessed, collected or realized under the provisions of this Act.

(3) Where any tax referred to in sub-section (3) has not been paid or realized before the coming into force of the Balochistan Urban Immovable Property Tax (Amendment) Act, 2024 or if so paid or realized has been refunded to or adjusted against other fees or taxes, the same shall be recoverable in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(5) Subject to provisions of this section, Article 3 of the Cantonments (Urban Immovable Property Tax and Entertainments Duty) Order, 1979 (President's Order No. 13 of 1979), to the extent of the province of Balochistan, is hereby repealed."

**(4) In section 4.-**

- (a) for clause (a), the following shall be substituted: "buildings and lands other than those leased in perpetuity, owned by the Federal and Provincial Government;"



(c) in clause (c) (i) for sub-clause (i), the following shall be substituted:

“(i) buildings and lands used or intended to be used exclusively as residential, taxable value of which does not exceed the limits as defined in the schedule;

(ii) sub-clause (ii) along with its provisos shall be omitted; (b) in clause (b), sub clause (i) shall be omitted.

(5) For section 5, the following shall be substituted:

**“5. Ascertainment of taxable value.-** (1) The taxable value of land and building shall be determined in accordance with the valuation table in respect of the property situated in the rating area.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), the Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, determine taxable value of land and building through valuation table.

(3) The Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, specify and categorize a property as high value property to be charged with 15% additional amount of the tax calculated on the basis of the rate specified in the schedule;”

(6) Section 5-A shall be omitted.

(7) After section 6, the following new section shall be inserted:

**“6-A. Self-assessment of land and building.-** (1) The owner of land and building, within rating area, shall assess his land and building in such manner as may be prescribed.

(2) The assessment made under sub-section (1) shall be submitted on-line along with declaration of correctness and truthfulness of the information provided in the self-assessment and the tax on such land and building shall be paid on the basis of such self-assessment.

(3) An audit at random may be conducted regarding the self-assessment submitted under sub-section (2).

(4) In case, any variation is found during the audit, the Assessing Authority shall correct the assessment and levy and collect the actual tax, along with one-time penalty a sum equal to the amount of the tax evaded, in addition to the amount of the tax payable by him and the penalty leviable shall be determined and collected by the Assessing Authority.

(5) In case the land and building have been found not assessed, and it comes in the information of the Assessing Authority, he shall issue directions containing timeline which shall not be more than two weeks, for self-assessment of such land and building under sub-section (1).”

(8) For section 7, the following shall be substituted:

**“7. Making of a valuation list.-** A valuation list for every rating area shall be prepared in the manner and by the authority as may be prescribed and any subsequent change in valuation list resulting from the change in valuation table shall be effective from the first day of the coming financial year.”



(9) Section 8 shall be omitted.

(10) In section 10:

- (a) in sub-section (1), the expression “8,” shall be omitted;  
and  
(b) sub-section (1A) shall be omitted.

(11) After section 10, the following shall be inserted:

**“10-A. Hardship case:-** In case of a hardship case, the grievance committee, to be constituted by the Government through notification in the official Gazette, may, by an order containing reasons, exempt land and building from payment of the whole or any part of the tax.”

(12) After section 23, the following shall be inserted:

**“23-A. Power to amend the Schedule:-** The Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, amend the Schedule.

(13) After section 24, the following shall be added:

#### SCHEDULE

[See sections 2(g-a) and 3(2)]

Sr. No.	Taxable Value	Rate for Residential Properties	Rate for Commercial Properties
1	Up to Rs. 2.5 million	Exempted	0.20 %
2	Above 2.5 million up to Rs. 10 million	0.10 % of the total value	0.25 % of the total value
3	Above Rs. 10 million up to Rs 25 million	0.12 % of the total value	0.30 % of the total value
4	Rs. 25 million and above	0.20% of the total value	0.50 % of the total value

**Explanation-I.-** In case the tax payable, under above table, is lower than the tax payable on and before 30-06-2025; except residential properties falling in the exemption category, the tax shall be payable until such tax payable becomes equal to or greater than the tax payable under above table.

**Explanation-II.-** Residential buildings are the buildings which are used for the purpose of dwelling whereas commercial buildings are the buildings along with any appurtenances and installations that may be attached therewith, which are used as office establishment or for carrying on any commerce or trade.

**Explanation-III.-** In case when compartmentalization and partition is carried out in the buildings in such a way to collectively use the building for residential as well as commercial purposes or to house more than one dwellings, the tax in respect of such compartments and partitions shall be levied in a manner as if they are separate buildings.

**Balochistan  
Motor Vehicles  
Transaction**

5. *An Act to provide for licensing and regulating the services of the motor vehicles transaction licensees for improved service delivery to the purchasers /owners of motor vehicles.*

**Preamble:** Whereas, it is expedient in the public interest and for good governance to provide measures for regulating the services of the motor vehicles transaction of various types of motor vehicles and matters concerned therewith or ancillary thereto:

It is hereby enacted as follows:

(1) **Short title, extent and commencement:** (1) This Act may be called as the Balochistan Motor Vehicles Transaction Licensees Act, 2025;

(2) It shall extend to the whole of the province of Balochistan.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

(2) **Definitions:**

(1) In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or the context,-

(a) "Act" means the Balochistan Motor Vehicles Transaction Licensees Act, 2025;

(b) "Appellate Authority" means the Director General, Excise, Taxation and Anti-Narcotics Balochistan;

(c) "Department" means the Excise, Taxation and Anti-Narcotics Department, Government of Balochistan;

(d) "Government" means the Government of Balochistan;

(e) "License" means a license issued under this Act;

(f) "Licensing Authority" means an officer of Excise, Taxation and Anti-Narcotics Department, not below the rank of Director, notified as Licensing Authority under the, Act;

(g) "Motor vehicles transaction licensee" means a Motor Vehicle Dealer or Agent licensed under this Act;

(h) "Ordinance" means the Balochistan Motor Vehicles Ordinance 1965;

(i) "Prescribed" means prescribed by the rules made under this Act;

(j) "Rules" means rules made under this Act;

(k) "Transaction" means any activity relating to registration of a motor vehicle under the Ordinance on behalf of the owner of a motor vehicles and includes a transaction relating to any change or endorsement in a registration certificate' booklet (Form-G) or issuance of number plates of the vehicles.

(2) A words and expressions used in this Act, but not defined, have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Ordinance.

(3) **Motor vehicles transaction licensee:** (1) A person shall not undertake a transaction on behalf of the owner of a motor vehicles unless he holds a license issued under this Act.



- (2) The licensing authority may, in the prescribed manner, grant license subject to such conditions as it may impose.
- (3) The licensing authority shall not issue a license if the applicant:
  - (a) is a minor; or
  - (b) is declared to be of unsound mind; or
  - (c) is or has at any time been adjudicated insolvent;
  - (d) has been convicted of an offence of criminal misappropriation or criminal breach of trust or cheating or any other offence involving moral turpitude, and a period of three years has not elapsed since completion of the sentence;
  - (e) in the opinion of the licensing authority is not financially sound;
  - (f) in the opinion of the licensing authority does not have appropriate office.
- (4) A motor vehicles transaction license may undertake such functions as may be specified in the terms and conditions of the license issued under this Act and the rules.
- (5) The Government may prescribe criteria for grant of license and conditions for the conduct of the business of a motor vehicles transaction licensee.

**(4) Procedure for licensing:**

- (1) A person, who wishes to obtain a license, shall make an application in writing to the licensing authority in such form and manner and on payment of such fee and furnishing of such security as may be prescribed
- (2) The person should be registered with the department as a professional.
- (3) Application for a license shall be accompanied by the fees as prescribed in the schedule appended with the Act.
- (4) Application for a license shall be accompanied by the details of representatives and fees as prescribed in the schedule appended with the Act.
- (5) The licensing authority may, on receipt of the application, make such enquiries as deemed fit.
- (6) If the applicant for a license fulfills the requirements and does not suffer from any of the disqualifications, the licensing authority may, in the prescribed manner, grant the license to the applicant.
- (7) Where the application is rejected, the license fee received with the application shall be returned to the applicant within a period of 30 days from date on which his application was rejected or if appeal is preferred under this Act, on rejection of the appeal.
- (8) The licensing authority on being satisfied that the applicant does not suffer from any of the disqualifications mentioned in this Act and the rules, shall grant him a license, which shall be registered in a register maintained for the purpose.

**(5) Condition of license: A licensee shall,**

- (a) adhere to ethical commercial practices and shall refrain from objectionable activities such as misleading public or loans of damaging their license;





- (b) not with hold or conceal from any officer or functionary of Government or concerned organization or his client, any information, fact or documents which is likely to prevent any fraud, forgery or cheating in connection with any property which is the subject matter of his business;
- (c) afford necessary facilities to the licensing authority or an officer authorized by it in this behalf to inspect the office premises and records;
- (d) on demand produce his license for inspection;
- (e) display the license at a prominent place of the premises of his office;
- (f) not charge commission or remuneration in respect of any transaction arranged by him in excess of to the maximum rate of service charges fixed by the Government;
- (g) the license can neither be sublet nor transferred; and
- (h) Comply with the provisions of this Act or instruction given by the licensing authority.

**(6) Renewal of license:**

(1) A license shall be valid for a period of one year and may be renewed annually subject to such conditions as may be prescribed.

(2) A license shall be valid for a period of one year and may be renewed annually subject to such conditions as may be prescribed.

(3) A motor vehicle transaction licensee shall, within 30 days preceding the date of expiry of his license, apply to the licensing authority, in such form and manner and on payment of such fee as may be prescribed, for renewal of the license.

(4) If the licensee fails to apply for the renewal of his license in accordance with sub-section (2) of this section and continue to carry out on his business after the date on which the validity of his license expires, the licensing authority may, instead of taking action against him, entertain his application for renewal of the license on payment of additional amount, in addition to renewal fee, not exceeding double the renewal fees.

(5) If the motor vehicle transaction licensee fulfills the requirements and conditions, and does not suffer from any of the disqualifications, the licensing authority may, in the prescribed manner, renew the license.

**7. Service Charges:** The Government may prescribe a maximum rate of service charges which a motor vehicle transaction licensee may charge for a transaction of a motor vehicle or a category of motor vehicles.

**8. Discontinuance of the Business:** In case of discontinuance of the business, the licensee shall inform the licensing authority within 30 days of such discontinuance, and the licensing authority shall, on receipt of such information, cancel the license in the case of discontinuance.

**9. Maintenance of record and account:** (1) A motor vehicles transaction licensee shall, in the prescribed manner, maintain such accounts and other record of all the transactions as may be prescribed.





(2) The licensing authority may direct the motor vehicle transaction licensee to furnish information and produce the accounts or record of any transaction before the licensing authority or such other officer as may be designated or prescribed.

**10. Cancellation, suspension of license and penalty:** (1) The licensing authority may, by an order in writing, suspend a license for such period not exceeding three months for the first breach and not exceeding six months for the second or subsequent breach, as may be specified in that order, or may impose penalty which shall not be less than Rs. 50,000/- and not more than Rs. 100,000/- for the first breach; and shall not be less than Rs. 100,000/- and not more than Rs. 300,000/- for second and subsequent breach, as may be specified in that order, or may cancel the license if it is satisfied that the motor vehicles transaction licensee has committed a breach of any of the following conditions of the license or has:-

- (a) failed satisfactorily to maintain the prescribed record; or
- (b) maintained or submitted incorrect accounts of the transactions; or
- (c) arranged or negotiated a transaction knowing that there was defect or dispute in the identity or documents in the title of the motor vehicle; or
- (d) charged service charges or remuneration at a rate higher than the prescribed rate; or
- (e) charged fee or tax in excess of the prescribed rate or misappropriated any amount charged from the customer; or
- (f) misplaced registration documents or any other allied documents or tempered with any of such documents handed over to him for the purpose of transaction.

(2) The licensing authority shall not pass an order under sub-section (1) of this section without giving the motor vehicles transaction licensee an opportunity to show cause within ten days from the date of the receipt of the notice and after affording him an opportunity of personal hearing.

(3) A motor vehicles transaction licensee, aggrieved by an order passed under sub-section (1) of this section, may, within 30 days of the passing of the order, prefer an appeal to the appellate authority and the decision of the appellate authority shall be final.

(4) The Government shall, by a notification may appoint or constitute an appellate authority for purposes of this section.

**11. Recovery of dues:** Any amount due under this Act shall be recoverable as arrears of land revenue.

**12. Offence:** If a person contravenes any of the provisions of this Act, he shall be liable to punishment of simple imprisonment which may extend to six months or fine which shall not be less than Rs. 100,000/- and not more than from Rs. 300,000/-; or both.

**13. Cognizance and summary trial:**

(1) No court shall take cognizance of any offence under this Act except on a complaint made in writing by the concerned Motor Vehicle Registering authority.

(2) A Magistrate of the first class shall conduct the trial of an offence under this Act in accordance with the provisions of Chapter XXII of



the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (V of 1898) relating to the summary trials.

14. **Power to make rules:** The Government may, by notification, in the official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

**Amendment in  
Balochistan  
Finance Act  
1965 (West  
Pakistan Act  
No. I of 1965).**

6. (1) **in Balochistan Finance Act 1965 (West Pakistan Act No. I of 1965) In Section 12,** the sub-section (1), the following shall be substituted.-

“(1) There shall be levied and collected in prescribed manner from all the hotels, having at least fifteen lodging units, a bed tax at the rate of five percent (5%) of the invoice or bill excluding sales tax and other applicable taxes.”

**Amendment in  
Balochistan  
Public Finance  
Management  
Act, 2020.**

7. (1) **Amendment in Balochistan Public Finance Management Act, 2020.- In section 2 after clause (db)** The following new clause shall be inserted.-

(dc). “Chief Finance Officers and Junior Finance Officers” the positions of Chief Finance Officers and Junior Finance Officers shall be created within Finance Department having distinct roles, responsibilities functions, term & condition may be prescribe as referred to in Section 26B”

- (2) **In subsection (2),** of section 7, the words “and the Finance Department” shall be inserted after the word “the Planning and Development Department”.

- (3) **In section 7 for** sub-section (3), the following shall be substituted. –

“The Government shall approve rules, regulations or such policy instrument as debt management strategy to steer, manage and/or control the entry into loan or grant; and, the functional, institutional or methodical means of consequential utilization of such loan and/or grant as specified in Subsection 2 above”.

- (4) **For section 16,**  
**in sub-section (1),** the word “four” shall be substituted with word “five”

**in sub-section (2),** the words “at least 20% percent of” shall be substituted “by the government for”.

- (5) **After section 27,** the following new section 27A shall be inserted.-

**“27A” “Assessment and upgradation of Public Financial Management (PFM) System,-**

(1) For continuous upgradation of the PFM System in line with the international standards and best practices, the Finance Department shall carry out an assessment of its Public Financial Management System in accordance with the international Public Expenditure and Financial Accountability (PEFA) framework on a regular basis.

(2) The assessment shall be carried out at least once in every three years through a qualified and independent organization.

(3) The assessment report shall be presented to the Government and shall be subject to consequential public disclosure.

- (6) **In section 27 for clause (b)** the following shall be substituted. -

**“(b)”** The Government shall take appropriate measures to keep the Public Sector Debt and Guarantees by observing the following quantitative limits:

- (i) The total stock of Public Sector Debt and Guarantees shall not, at any time, exceed 200% of the average revenue of three preceding financial years.



- (ii) The Government Debt and Guarantees shall not, at any time, exceed 160% of the average revenue of three preceding financial years;
- (iii) The public corporations (autonomous bodies, regulatory authorities & others) Debt and Guarantees shall not, at any time, exceed 40% of the average revenue of three preceding financial years.
- (iv) interest expense on Government Debt shall not, in any financial year, exceed 15% of the average revenue of three preceding financial years.

**(7) After section 27A section 27B shall be inserted:-  
"27B" "Fiscal Risk Management Framework.-**

(1) The Finance Department shall prepare a Fiscal Risk Statement on an annual basis along with the revisions in the same from time to time and submit it to the Government for approval.

(2) The Statement shall contain information on:

- (a) major sources of risk that can result in significant deviations between actual and expected fiscal outcomes;
- (b) estimates of Tax Expenditure for the next financial year prepared with the assistance of all Departments and agencies engaged in collection of taxes;
- (c) fiscal risks posed by explicit as well as implicit contingent liabilities;
- (d) compliance status of fiscal and debt rules contained in this Act along with the relevant figures, and, in case of non-compliance, the reasons thereof.
- (e) assessment of the implementation status and effectiveness of the Fiscal Risk Management Framework; and,
- (f) measures needed to strengthen the management of fiscal risks.



**Amendment in 8. (1) In the Balochistan Revenue Authority Act, 2015 (Act No. VII of 2015)**

- (1) **In the Balochistan Revenue Authority Act, 2015 (Act No. VII of 2015) in Section 2 clause (g), after the word "of the Authority" the following expression shall be added:**  
"and in the employment and service of Authority's offices, with whatever names, established under the Authority."
- (2) **In section 3, subsection (4), the words: "including a Tax Operations Member, an Audit Member, an Information Technology Member, and a Human Resource Member" shall be replaced by following phrase:**  
"Including Member Operations-I (BSTS), Member Audit, Member (ICT, Data Management and Data Security), and Member Operations – II (Policy, Legal)"
- (3) **In section 3, subsection (5), after the phrase: "unless he/she" the word: "possesses" shall be omitted;**
- (4) **In section 3, subsection (5), the following new sub-clauses shall be inserted:**  
"(a) is a Pakistani citizen;  
(b) has Balochistan Local/domicile;  
(c) is Physically and mentally fit;"
- (5) **In section 3, sub-section (5), the existing clauses (a), (b), (c) and (d) shall be renamed as clauses (d), (e), (f) and (g) respectively;**
- (6) **In section 3, subsection (5) in the renamed clause (d), after the word "Economics," the words: "Taxation, Finance, Mathematics, Human Development, Commerce" shall be added;**



- (7) **In section 3, subsection (6A) the words: “Tax Operations Member” shall be replaced by the words: “Member Operations-I (BSTS)”;**
- (8) **In section 3, subsection (6B) clause (b) shall be replaced by the following new clause (b):-**  
 (b) “A fellow member of a recognized professional body (such as FCCA, FCA, or FCPA), or a member of a recognized professional body with at least 10 years of relevant experience, or an individual possessing a minimum of 20 years of experience in tax or revenue audit”.
- (9) **In section 3, subsection (6C) the words: “Information Technology Member” shall be replaced by the words: “Member (ICT, Data Management and Data Security)”.**
- (10) **In section 3, subsection (6D) the words: “Human Resource Member” shall be replaced by the words: Member Operations – II (Policy, Legal & Other Taxes);**
- (11) **In section 3, subsection (6D) clause (a) shall be replaced by the following new clause (a):**  
 “(a) ACCA, ACA / ICAEW, CPA, Master degree or equivalent in Taxation, Law, Economics, Business Administration, Accountancy, Finance, Mathematics”;
- (12) **In section 5, sub-section (1), clause (a) the word: “tax” shall be omitted;**
- (13) **In section 6, sub-section (1) after the phrase: “headed by senior officer” the words: “not below the rank of Deputy Commissioner” shall be added;**
- (14) **In Section 17 After subsection (1) the following new sub section shall be inserted, namely: -**  
 “1-a. Once the budget has been approved, the Authority shall have the full powers to incur expenditure, or re-appropriate funds, subject to any general or specific instruction that may, be issued time to time, in this regard by Finance Department”;
- (15) **In section 18, in sub section (2) words “Government” shall be replaced with the words “The Secretary Finance”.**
- (16) **In Section 28, after the phrase “and bodies of the” the words “Federal and Provincial” shall be added.**

**Amendments  
in The  
Balochistan  
Companies  
Profits  
(Workers  
Participation)  
Act, 2022 (Act  
No. XX of  
2022)**

9. (1) **in The Balochistan Companies Profits (Workers Participation) Act, 2022 (Act No. XX of 2022) in section 2, after the Clause (f), the following new Clause (ff) shall be inserted;**  
 “(ff) “Head office” of a company means any office, with whatever name, of the company, establishment or concern within the geographical boundaries of the Province of Balochistan.”
- (2) **In section 2, after the new Clause (ff) the following new Clause (fff) shall be inserted;**  
 “(fff) “Officer of the Authority” means an officer of the Balochistan Revenue Authority appointed under section 39 of the Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Act, 2015 (Act No. VI of 2015).”



- (3) **In Section 2** after clause (h) the following new clause (hh) shall be added:
- “(hh) “Registered office” of a company means any office, with whatever name, of the company, establishment or concern within the geographical boundaries of the Province of Balochistan.”
- (4) **In section 2**, after the Clause (j) the following new Clause (jj) shall be inserted;
- “(jj) “Trans-provincial company” means a company which owns, operates, or manages an establishment or industrial establishment having production or business operations in more than one province of Pakistan, and maintains or is required to maintain a joint or consolidated balance sheet for such operations.
- Explanation: Any such company having an industrial or commercial undertaking, branch office, factory, project site, or business operation in Balochistan shall be liable under this Act, and the office or facility located within Balochistan shall be treated as the principal office for the purposes of compliance, enforcement, contribution, and audit under this Act, regardless of the location of the registered or head office elsewhere in Pakistan.
- (5) **In section 3, sub-section (1)** Clause (c) after the words “audited accounts to the Board” the words “and to the Balochistan Revenue Authority” shall be inserted;
- (6) **In section 6**, after sub-section (5), the following new sub-section (5A) shall be inserted;
- “(5A) The provisions related to the manner and mode of payment and also for recovery of arrears, as prescribed in the Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Act, 2015 and the Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Rules, 2018 shall mutatis mutandis apply for the purposes of this Act.”
- (7) **In section 7**, the opening words: “The Committee” shall be replaced with the phrase: “The Balochistan Revenue Authority or an Officer of the Balochistan Revenue Authority authorised by it in this behalf”;
- (8) **After section 12**, the following new section 12A shall be inserted;
- “(12A) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or any other law for the time being in force, all provisions of the Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Act, 2015 and rules, notifications, orders and instructions issued thereunder shall, mutatis mutandis, apply for the collection and payment of contribution under this Act in so far as they relate to—
- (a) registration and de-registration;
  - (b) manner and mode of payment;
  - (c) assessment, audit, adjudication and enforcement including imposition of penalty;
  - (d) appeals and prosecution;
  - (e) exemption of penalty and default surcharge; and
  - (f) other allied and ancillary matters.”
- (9) **In the Schedule**, in section 1 sub-section (1) after the words: “fifty or more” the words: “in Pakistan” shall be inserted;
- (10) **A new section 18 shall be inserted as under:**

**“18. Exemption for Foreign Investments:** All foreign investments of US \$ 1.5 Billion or more, made into the province of Balochistan, in any sectors, industries or projects, shall be exempted from provision of this Act.”

**Amendments  
in The  
Balochistan  
Worker's  
Welfare Act,  
2022 (Act No.  
XXI of 2022)**

10. (1) **In The Balochistan Worker's Welfare Act, 2022 (Act No. XXI of 2022) In Section 2 clause (h),** after the sub-clause (vii) the following new sub-clause (viii) shall be added:

“(viii) any establishment to which the Balochistan Shops and Establishments Act 2021 (Act No. XVII of 2021) applies”.

(2) **In section 2,** the following new Clause (ii) shall be inserted;

“(ii) “Officer of the Authority” means an officer of the Balochistan Revenue Authority appointed under section 39 of the Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Act, 2015 (Act No. VI of 2015).”

(3) **In section 2,** after the Clause (m) the following new Clause (mm) shall be inserted;

(mm) “Trans-provincial establishment” means any establishment or industrial establishment which operates or maintains production, commercial, or business activities in more than one province of Pakistan, and which prepares or is required to prepare a consolidated or common balance sheet for its operations”.

Explanation: For the purposes of this Act, any such establishment or industrial establishment that has any office, site, project, production unit, or operational activity located within the territorial limits of Balochistan shall be deemed to fall within the jurisdiction of this Act, and shall be liable to contribute to the Workers Welfare Fund of Balochistan, irrespective of the location of its registered or principal office.

(4) **In section 2,** clause (l) after the words: “Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Act, 2015” the words “Sales Tax Act, 1990” shall be inserted;

(5) **In section 2,** clause (l) after the words: “Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Act, 2015” the words “Sales Tax Act, 1990” shall be inserted;

(6) **In section 4,** after sub-section (1), the following new sub-section (1A) shall be inserted;

“(1A) The provisions related to the manner and mode of payment and also for recovery of arrears, as prescribed in the Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Act, 2015 and the Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Rules, 2018 shall mutatis mutandis apply for the purposes of this Act.”

(7) **For section 4,** in sub-section (3), the semi colon shall be substituted with colon and thereafter the following proviso shall be inserted.-

“Provided that where the establishment or industrial establishment does not file its return of income under the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 by the date prescribed under the said Ordinance, the amount payable under this Act shall be paid by the establishment or industrial establishment provisionally on the basis of its accounting profit before tax, within thirty days from the date of the closure of accounts.”

(8) **In section 4,** after sub-section (15), the following new sub-section (16) shall be inserted;

“(16) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or any other law for the time being in force, all provisions of the Balochistan Sales Tax





on Services Act, 2015 and rules, notifications, orders and instructions issued thereunder shall, mutatis mutandis, apply for the collection and payment of contribution under this Act in so far as they relate to--

- (a) registration and de-registration;
- (b) manner and mode of payment;
- (c) assessment, audit, adjudication and enforcement including imposition of penalty;
- (d) appeals and prosecution;
- (e) exemption of penalty and default surcharge; and
- (f) other allied and ancillary matters.”

(9) **in section 19 after subsection (2) the following new subsection (3) shall be inserted:-**

(3) All foreign investment of US \$ 1.5 Billion or more, made into the province of Balochistan, in any section, industries or projects, shall be exempted from provision of **Balochistan Worker’s Welfare Act, 2022 (Act No. XXI of 2022)**

**Amendments  
of The  
Balochistan  
sales Tax on  
Services Act,  
2015 (Act No.  
VI of 2015)**



11. (1) **In the Balochistan sales Tax on Services Act, 2015 (Act No. VI of 2015) In section 2, Clauses (2), (3), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (12), (14), (18), (21), (22), (23), (26A), (27), (28), (29), (29A), (30), (31), (32), (33), (34), (35), (36), (37), (42), (45), (46), (47), (48), (49), (50), (52A), (55), (61), (62), (63), (65), (67), (72), (74), (75), (76), (76A), (77), (80), (81), (82), (83), (84), (85), (85A), (88), (89), (89A), (91), (92), (94), (95), (96), (97), (98), (99), (100), (101), (102), (104), (105), (106), (107), (111A), (114A), (116), (120), (121), (122), (123), (125), (126), (127), (127A), (128), (129), (130), (132), (135), (136), (137), (137A), (138), (140), (142), (145), (146), (149), (150), (151), (152), (154), (154A), (154B), (155), (158), (160), (161), (162), (162A), (163), (164), (166), (169), (174), (175), (176), (177), (179), (180), (180A), (181), (182), (183), (185), and (185A) shall be omitted**

(2) **After clause 36 the following new clause 36A shall be inserted**

**“36A. “CPC” means the Central Product Classification, as adopted and periodically revised by the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD), and includes any updated version officially adopted for the purposes of this Act.”**

(3) **For clause (147), the following shall be substituted:**

**“(147) ‘service’ means any activity, facility, utility or advantage, including the granting, assignment, cession or surrender of any right.**

**Explanation -I;A service shall remain and continue to be treated as a service regardless of whether or not the providing thereof involves any use, supply, disposition, or consumption of any goods either as an essential or as an incidental aspect of such providing of service.**

**Explanation-II: Unless otherwise specified by the Authority, the service or services involved in the supply of goods shall remain and continue to be treated as service or services.**

(4) **For Section 2, in Clause (171), Sub-clause (g) the word: “months” shall be replaced by the words: “tax periods”**

(5) **In Section 2, for Clause (186), the following shall be substituted.-**

**(186) “Whistleblower” means a person as defined in Section 91, sub-section (5) of this Act.**

(6) **In section 3, sub-section (1), shall be replaced by the following new sub-section (1):**

“(1) Every service is a taxable service, which is provided by a person from his office or place of business in Balochistan in the course of an economic activity, including the commencement or termination of the activity.

**Explanation:-** This sub-section deals with services provided by persons, regardless of whether those services are provided to resident persons or non-resident persons.”

- (7) **In section 3, for sub-section (2) the following shall be substituted.-**

“(2) A service, that is not provided by a registered person shall be treated as a taxable service if the service is provided to a resident person by a non-resident person in the course of economic activity“;

**Explanation.** --This sub-section deals with services provided by non-resident persons to resident persons whether or not the said resident person is an end consumer of such service”;

- (8) **For section 4, in sub-section (2),** after the words: “registered under the Act,” the words: “as a withholding agent,” shall be inserted;

- (9) **For section 4, in sub-section (5)** the full stop occurring at the end shall be substituted with a colon and thereafter following Proviso shall be inserted.-

“Provided that in case of incoming international calls, the telecommunication companies in Pakistan shall pay tax on reverse charge basis to the extent of their share of charges received from abroad, either through local representative or otherwise, for the transmission and delivery of such calls in the Province and in all situations, the telecommunication companies including their local representatives etc., shall be deemed and treated as recipient of such calls.”

- (10) **For the existing Section 5, the following shall be substituted, namely:**

**"5. Power to amend Schedules.-** The Government may, on the recommendation of the Authority and by notification in the official Gazette, make any addition, deletion, or amendment in any Schedule to this Act. Such modification may include but is not limited to:-

- (a) inclusion or exclusion of any service;
- (b) modification of the classification or description of any service;
- or
- (c) alteration in the rate of tax applicable to any service."

- (11) **In section 4, after sub-section (8) the following sub-section (9) shall be inserted:**

“(9) The Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, specify any additional categories of provision of taxable services, the tax whereon shall be paid on reverse charge basis by the recipient of such services and all the provisions of this Act shall apply to such recipient as if he is the person liable for paying the tax in relation to the provision of such services.”

- (12) **For section 6, the following shall be substituted.-**

(1) For the purposes of this Act, “economic activity” means any activity carried on by a person, whether or not for pecuniary profit,





and whether or not carried on regularly, systematically, or occasionally, that involves the provision, supply, initiation, execution, receipt, or consumption of a service for consideration.

(2) Economic activity includes, but is not limited to:-

(a) any trade, commerce, manufacture, profession, vocation, business, or similar activity, whether of a corporate, personal, governmental, non-governmental, or not-for-profit nature;

(b) the provision of services by any club, association, society, trust, organization, or non-profit entity to its members or other persons, with or without separate consideration;

(c) the provision, facilitation or delivery of services through digital, electronic or virtual means, including online platforms, software applications, or remote access tools, whether or not the service provider has a physical presence in Balochistan;

(a) inter-provincial, cross-border or foreign provision of services where the service is received, consumed, availed, or where the benefit arises in Balochistan;

(b) any barter arrangement, in-kind exchange, or indirect benefit—whether tangible or intangible—accruing to the service provider.

(3) A person shall be deemed to conduct economic activity in Balochistan if:-

(a) the service is provided from, initiated in, or executed within the territorial jurisdiction of Balochistan;

(b) the service is received, consumed, or availed by any person in Balochistan, or where the benefit of the service is otherwise enjoyed in the Province;

(c) the service provider, whether resident or non-resident, maintains a registered office, place of business, agent, representative, franchise, branch, server, or digital infrastructure in Balochistan;

(d) the consideration for the service is paid by or on behalf of a person in Balochistan, or processed through a business account or billing address located in Balochistan.

(4) The term “economic activity” shall not include:-

(a) the services of an individual provided in the capacity of an employee to an employer with whom they have a direct relationship under a written contract of employment.

Provided that this exclusion shall not apply to:

(i) services provided by third-party manpower suppliers, HR firms, or outsourcing contractors;

(ii) services performed inside a business, factory, or industrial premises of a service recipient, where the individual is deployed by a person or company engaged in the business of manpower or contractual labour supply.

Provided further that;

This exclusion shall only apply where all the following conditions are satisfied:

- The individual is under the direct supervision and control of the employer;

- The remuneration is paid as salary or wages on a periodic basis;

- The employment relationship is not of a consultant,



freelancer, or contractual service provider;  
- The burden of establishing a true contract of employment for claiming this exemption shall lie on the person or entity claiming such exclusion.

**Explanation:**

For the purposes of this section, "consideration" includes monetary payment, deferred payment, compensation in kind, subscription, membership fee, license fee, usage charge, or any direct or indirect benefit received by the provider

- (13) **For section 7, in sub-section (4) the full stop occurring at the end shall be substituted with colon and thereafter the following Proviso shall be added:**

"Provided further that the terms "consideration" and "consideration in money" shall mean the gross amount charged by the service provider for the taxable services provided by him and shall include –

(i) any amount that is payable for the services provided;

(ii) any amount of reimbursable expenditure or cost incurred by the service provider and charged, in the course of provision of a service, except in such circumstances and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed;

- (14) **For section 9, in sub-section (1) after the word: "ILLUSTRATIONS" and before Clause(a), following sentences shall be inserted:**

"The following examples illustrate the application of sub-section (1). These examples are not comprehensive and are meant for illustrative purposes only:"

- (15) **Section 10, following shall substituted.-**

**"10. Scope of Tax and Allied Matters:-**

(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act and the rules, there shall be charged, levied, collected and paid the tax on the value of a taxable service at the rate of fifteen percent of the value of the taxable service.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1) and subject to the provisions of Section 12 the services specified in the First Schedule shall be exempt from tax.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1) there shall be charged, levied, collected and paid the tax on the value of a taxable service at such higher rate of the value of taxable service as specified in the Second Schedule.

(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1) there shall be charged, levied, collected and paid the tax on the value of a taxable service at such lower rate of the value of taxable service without input tax adjustment as specified in the Third Schedule.

(5) The Government may on the recommendation of the Authority and subject to such conditions and restrictions as the Government may impose, by notification in the official Gazette, declare that in respect of any taxable service provided by a registered person or a class of registered persons, the tax shall be charged, levied and collected at such higher, lower, fixed or specific rate or rates as may be specified in the said notification.

(6) Notwithstanding other provisions of this Act, the Authority may, with the prior approval of the Government and by notification in the official Gazette and subject to the conditions, restrictions,



limitations or otherwise, fix the limit or threshold of annual turnover of any service or class of services provided by any person or class of persons below which such person or class of persons shall be exempt from payment of tax under the Act.

- (16) After section 10, the following new section 10A shall be inserted.-  
**10A. Transitional Provision.** — All services not specified in the First Schedule shall be deemed to be taxable services under this Act effective from the 1st day of July, 2025. Any exemption previously granted through notification shall remain valid until amended, rescinded, or superseded by the Authority.
- (17) **For section 11, in sub-section (1)** the word: “registered” shall be omitted;
- (18) **In section 11, after sub-section (4)** the following new sub-section (5) shall be inserted:  
“(5) No person shall be absolved of any tax liability under the Act for want of registration under this Act or the rules.”
- (19) **For section 11A, in Explanation I,** the word: “as notified” shall be omitted;
- (20) **For section 11A, in Explanation II,** the word: “as notified” shall be omitted;
- (21) **For Section 12,** the following shall be substituted.-  
**Exemptions.--** (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 3 and 10, providing or rendering of services specified in the First Schedule shall, subject to such conditions as may be specified by the Government, be exempt from the tax under this Act.  
(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-section (1), the Authority may, with the approval of the Government and subject to such conditions, limitations or restrictions as it may impose, by notification in the official Gazette, exempt:-  
(a) taxable service or services from the whole or any part of the tax;  
(b) taxable service or services provided by a person or class of persons from the whole or any part of the tax;  
(c) recipient or recipients of taxable service or services, including international organizations and institutions, from the payment of the whole or any part of the tax; and  
(d) a class of persons, any area or areas of Balochistan from the whole or any part of the tax.  
(3) The exemption under sub-section (2) may be allowed from any previous date specified in the notification issued under sub-section (2).
- (22) **In section 14 for sub-section (1)** the following shall be substituted.-  
“(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the Authority may, by notification in the official Gazette, prescribe special procedure for the payment of tax, valuation of taxable services, registration, record keeping, invoicing or billing requirements, returns, statements and other related matters in respect of any service or class of services and subject to such limitations and conditions as may be specified in the notification.”



- (23) For section 14 in sub-section (3) the words: “the amount of tax and the amount of default surcharge” shall be replaced by the following words:

“the amount of tax, the amount of default surcharge and the amount of penalty”;

- (24) After section 14, the following new section 14A shall be inserted:  
**“14A. Special procedure for collection of tax, etc.-**

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act; the Authority may require any other person or class of persons, not necessarily being a service provider or a service recipient in a particular transaction to collect full or part of the tax charged from another person or class of persons on the provision of any taxable service or class of taxable services and to deposit the tax so collected, in the Government treasury within such time and in such manner as the Authority may, by notification in the official Gazette, specify.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1), the special procedure prescribed for collection and payment of tax may also provide for registration, book keeping; invoicing or billing requirements, returns, statements and other related matters in respect of any service or class of services, as may be specified,

(3) Where a person or class of persons is required to collect full or part of the tax on the provision of any taxable service or class of taxable services and either fails to collect the tax or having collected the tax, fails to deposit the tax in the Government treasury, such person or class of persons shall be personally liable to pay the amount of tax, the amount of default surcharge and the amount of penalty to the Government in the prescribed manner.”

- (25) For section 16A in sub-section (1) the words: “payment of the tax amount for a transaction exceeding value of fifty thousand rupees” shall be replaced by the following words:

“payment of amounts of one or more transactions made to the same person in one tax period where the aggregate of such amounts exceeds fifty thousand rupees including the amount of sales tax but excluding any payments made on account of utilities”

- (26) For section 16A in sub-section (1) the words: “business account of service recipient to the business account of service provider” shall be replaced by the following words:

“business bank account of service recipient to the business bank account of service provider”

- (27) For section 16B, sub-section (1) in clause (bb) the word: “registered number” shall be replaced by the word: “registration number”;

- (28) For section 16B, sub-section (1), in clause (f) after the words: “capital goods” the words and brackets: “(plant, machinery, equipment and others)” shall be inserted;

- (29) For section 16B, in sub-section (1) the existing clause (g) shall be replaced by following new clause (g) however, the subclauses shall not be substituted. -

the following goods or services, excluding the ones directly used and consumed by a registered person in provision of the services paying sales tax at a rate not less than fifteen per cent ad valorem.



(30) In section 16B, sub-section (1), the Proviso to clause (k) shall be omitted;

(31) In section 16B, sub-section (1), in clause (l), semicolon shall be substituted with colon and thereafter the following proviso shall be inserted.-

“Provided that in case of telecommunication services paying sales tax at a rate not less than *nineteen and a half per cent ad valorem*, the amount of sales tax paid on goods and services at *ad valorem rates not exceeding eighteen per cent*, can be claimed by the person providing the taxable telecommunication services.”;

(32) For section 16B, in sub-section (1), existing clause (p) shall be substituted.-

“(p) sales tax paid to the Federal Government or any other Provincial Government in relation to supply of goods or provision of services, if the sales tax law of the Federation or the Province concerned bars or does not allow, whether explicitly or otherwise, adjustment of tax levied and paid under this Act;”

(33) After section 16C, the following new section 16CC shall be inserted:

“16CC. Extent of adjustment of input tax.-(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, a registered person shall not be allowed to adjust input tax in a tax period in excess of ninety percent of the output tax for that tax period.”

(34) Section 16-D shall be renamed as: “16D” and in section 16D sub-section (1) the words: “second schedule” shall be replaced with the words “Third Schedule”.

(35) Section 16-E shall be renamed as “16E”;

(36) In Section 17, sub-section (1) the word: “collects” shall be replaced with the comma and words: “, deducted or withheld”;

(37) In title of section 19, the word: “Registered” shall be omitted;

(38) In section 19, sub-section (1), the words: “registered person” shall be replaced by the word: “person”;

(39) In section 19, sub-section (1), the words: “another registered person” shall be replaced by the words: “another person”;

(40) In section 19, after sub-section (2) the following new sub-section (3) shall be inserted:

“(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in this section, it shall be the responsibility of a person to take all possible measures to ensure that the person, from whom he has received taxable services, deposits the due tax, relating to such transaction or transactions, in the manner as provided under this Act and the rules made under the Act.”

(41) In section 20, after sub-section (1) following new sub-section (1A) shall be inserted:

“(1A) In case of sale or transfer of a business, providing taxable services as an ongoing concern, by a registered person to a non-



registered person, such registered person shall be required to account for and pay the tax on the services provided by him.”;

- (42) **In Section 25, sub-section (1) after clause (b) the following new clause (bb) shall be inserted:**

“(bb) is a withholding agent under this Act;”

- (43) **In Section 25, after sub-section (3) following new sub-section (3A) shall be inserted:**

“(3A).-Any person, who is not registered or required to be registered for the purposes of this Act, whether as a service-provider or otherwise but is required to withhold and pay or otherwise pay tax in terms of any provisions of this Act or rules, shall be deemed as a registered person for all legal purposes under this Act, including non-filing or non-submission of any information or document and such person shall, regardless of the place of residence, business or other activity, comply with such registration, enrolment or other obligations or formalities as may be specified by the Authority.”

- (44) **In Section 25, after the newly inserted sub-section (3A) the following further new sub-section (3AA) shall be inserted.-**

“(3AA) The Authority may, through notification in the official Gazette, require any person or class of persons engaged in providing only exempt service or services to necessarily obtain registration under this Act and file return in such form and manner as my specified in the notification.”

- (45) **In section 28, sub-section (1), after the words: “temporarily inactivate”, the words: “or suspend” shall be inserted.**

- (46) **In section 29, sub-section (4), the word “off” shall be replaced with the word “of”.**

- (47) **In section 30, sub-section (1), after clause (d), the word: “and” shall be omitted.**

- (48) **In section 30, sub-section (1), after clause (e), the full stop: “.” shall be replaced with semi-colon: “;”.**

- (49) **In section 30, sub-section (1), after clause (f), the word “and” shall be inserted.**

- (50) **In section 30, for sub-section (1), after clause (f), following new clause (g) shall be inserted:**

“(g) applicable rate of the tax.”

- (51) **In section 30, for sub-section (2), the following shall be substituted.- “(2) The Authority may, by notification in the official Gazette, specify a modified format of invoices for different services or persons and prescribe the manner and procedure for regulating the issuance and authentication of tax invoices.”**

- (52) **In section 30, sub-section (3), the following shall be substituted.-**

“(3) A registered person, providing a taxable service, may, subject to such conditions and restrictions as the Authority may, by notification in the official Gazette, specify, issue invoices





electronically to another registered person or other recipient of taxable service and transmit images or statements of such invoices to the Authority and to the Commissioner, in the manner as may be specified.”

- (53) **In section 31, for sub-section (5), the following shall be substituted.-**  
“(5) The registered persons, whose accounts are subject to audit under the Companies Act, 2017 (Act No. XIX of 2017) or under any other law for the time being in force, shall submit a printed copy of the annual audited accounts along with a certificate by the auditors certifying the payment of the tax due and any deficiency in the tax paid by the registered person, to the concerned officer of the Authority, within 60 days from the date of audit report of the auditors.”
- (54) **In section 33, after sub-section (3A), the following new sub-section (3AA) shall be inserted:**  
“(3AA) The officer of the Authority may, with the permission of the Commissioner, conduct the audit in the place of business or the office of the registered person directing him to produce the records and documents in such premises as indicated in the notice.”
- (55) **In section 35, sub-section (1), after the words: “Every registered person shall”, the words: “e-file or” shall be inserted.**
- (56) **In section 35, after sub-section (6), following new sub-section (7) shall be added:**  
“(7) Where any person or class of persons are engaged in providing any service or services, which are either exempt under this Act, under a notification issued thereunder or are otherwise not taxable for the purposes of this Act, the Authority may require any such person or class of persons to regularly file monthly or periodic declarations or returns, containing such correct and verifiable information, as may be required to be provided in such declaration or return and every such person or class of persons shall be under a legal obligation to file such declaration or return and any violation, relating thereto, shall be treated as non-filing of the return due under this Act, except that no tax liability per se other than liability for penalty, may be imposed, shall accrue in respect thereof.”
- (57) **In section 39, sub-section (1), after clause (g), following new clauses (i) and (j) shall be inserted.-**  
“(i) An Inspector of the Balochistan Revenue Authority;”  
“(j) Any officer of the Balochistan Revenue Authority with any other designation.”
- (58) **In section 39, sub-section (3) shall be replaced by following new sub-section (3):**  
“(3) The Deputy Commissioners and the Assistant Commissioners shall be subordinate to the Commissioner.”
- (59) **In section 40, sub-section (1), after the words: “An officer appointed under section 39 shall exercise such powers”, the commas and words: “, pecuniary and territorial jurisdiction,” shall be inserted.**
- (60) **In section 41, the word: “Distribution” shall be substituted by the word: “Delegation”.**



- (61) **In section 41, sub-section (1) clause (a) the words: “An Additional Commissioner” shall be replaced by the words: “A Deputy Commissioner”;**
- (62) **In section 41, sub-section (1) clause (b) shall be omitted;**
- (63) **In section 41, after sub-section (3) the following new sub-section (4) shall be added.-**

“(4) The officer, designated or empowered as Commissioner (Appeals), shall not sit in appeal against his own orders in original. The Authority shall make alternate arrangements in such cases.”

- (64) **For section 44, in sub-section (2), the following stop occurring at the end shall be substituted with colon and thereafter the following proviso shall be added. -**

“Provided that nothing in this section shall restrict any officer of the Authority from undertaking and completing the adjudicatory process or proceedings for the purpose of determination and assessment of tax, including default surcharge and penalties in any case sub-judice for trial or any other proceedings before the Special Judge.”

- (65) **After section 47, the following new section 47A shall be inserted:**

“47A. Appeal to the High Court.-

(1) Any person, including the Government, the Authority or any officer of the Authority, aggrieved by any order passed or decision made by a Special Judge under this Act or under the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (No. V of 1898), may, subject to the provisions of Chapters XXXI and XXXII of the said Code, within sixty days from the date of the order of the decision, prefer an appeal to the High Court.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in sub-section (1), the provisions of the Limitation Act, 1908 (Act No. V of 1908), shall apply to an appeal preferred under sub-section (1) of this section.”

- (66) **In section 48, sub-section (2) Serial No.1 after the words “before providing” the words “or receiving” shall be added and the word “taxable” shall be omitted.**
- (67) **In section 48, sub-section (2) Serial No.2B and its Columns shall be substituted with following Serial No.2B and its Columns:**





"2B.	Where a person avoids, defies, fails to comply with the e-invoicing system or issues invoices outside the e-invoicing system or refuses, denies, or obstructs the enforcement of the provisions of section 60A in any manner.	Such person shall be liable to pay a penalty of upto one hundred thousand rupees, but not less than ten thousand rupees. In case of repetition of the offence, the business premises of such person shall further be liable to sealing. Such person shall further be liable, upon conviction by a Special Judge, to imprisonment which may extend to one year or with fine which may extend to one hundred thousand rupees or with both.	60A"
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- (68) In section 48, after newly substituted Serial No.2B, following new Serial No.2C and its columns shall be inserted.-

"2C.	Where a person avoids, defies, delays or fails to deposit the amount of service fee levied under the Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Special Procedure (online Integration of Business) Rules, 2022 or fails to report the service fee in the sales tax return in the prescribed manner.	Such person shall be liable to a penalty of rupees one hundred thousand or twice the amount of service fee involved, whichever is higher. Such person shall further be liable, upon conviction by the Special Judge, to imprisonment which may extend to one year or with fine which may extend to one hundred thousand rupees, or with both.	60A"
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- (69) In section 48, Serial No.5 and its columns shall be replaced by following new Serial No.5 and its columns.-

"5.	Where any person fails to provide the document or record or information or data or refuses to allow the officer of the Authority to take extracts from or make copies of the document or record or information or data or fails to appear before an officer of Authority or fails to answer any question put to him. Provided that if record is not produced despite issuance of three notices over a period of three months, it shall be considered as sufficient evidence that the person has failed to maintain record	Such person shall be liable to pay penalty of one hundred thousand rupees on every default. Such person shall, further be liable, upon conviction by a Special Judge, to imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or fine which may extend to 100,000 rupees or with both.	30, 32, 53 and 57"
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- (70) In section 48, after Serial No.7, following new Serial No.7A and its columns shall be inserted:



"7A.	Where a person denies or obstructs the entry or access of the officer of the Authority posted to his business premises or fails to facilitate the officer of the Authority in the discharge of his duty to monitor the provision of services by such person,	Such person shall be liable to a penalty of 100,000 rupees or twice the amount of the minimum tax, as may be assessed or determined under section 24, whichever is higher.  Such person shall further be liable, upon conviction by the Special Judge, to imprisonment which may extend to one year or with fine which may extend to one hundred thousand rupees, or with both.	59"
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(71) **In section 48, Serial No. 10 in Column 2 after the words.-** "Where any person", the phrase: "refuses to receive any notice or order issued by an officer of the Authority or" shall be inserted.

(72) **In section 48, Serial No. 10 in Column 4 the words.-** "section 59 and section 72" shall be replaced with the words: "section 40".

(73) **In section 48, Serial No. 14 in Column 3 the first paragraph shall be replaced by the following paragraph:-**

"Such person shall be liable to pay a penalty of twenty five thousand rupees or one hundred per cent of the amount equal to the loss caused to sales tax revenue, whichever is higher."

(74) **In section 49, sub-section (2) the word:** "sixteenth" shall be omitted.

(75) **Section 50 shall be replaced by following new Section 50:**

"50. Exemption from Penalty and Default Surcharge. - (1) The Authority may, through a notification in the official Gazette, exempt any registered person or any taxable service from payment of the whole or any part of the penalty and default surcharge, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be specified in such notification.

(76) **In section 52, sub section (1) the words.-** "Five" shall be replaced by the words: "Eight";

(77) **Section 52A shall be replaced by following new Section 52A.-**

"52A. Un-paid and Short Paid Amounts Recoverable Without Notice. - Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, where it is indicated from the return, submitted by the registered person or, as the case may be, evident from the records and materials, including but not limited to the Computer Systems, taken into custody by the authorized officer of the Authority from the business premises of the registered person that the tax has been charged or collected from customer or service recipient but it is not paid or short paid by the registered person, the un-paid or short-paid amount of tax along-with default surcharge may be recovered from such person by attaching his bank accounts without giving him a show cause notice and without prejudice to any other action specified under section 72 of this Act, rules or regulations:



a. Provided that attachment of bank accounts of the registered person, for the purpose of recovery of tax under this sub-section, shall only be exercised with prior approval of the Commissioner or the Authority, as the case may be.

b. Provided further that no penalty under section 48 of this Act shall be imposed unless a show cause notice is given to such person.

**(78) In Section 56, after sub-section (3) the following new sub-section (4) shall be inserted:**

“(4) The records and material etc., taken into custody, shall be documented into an inventory statement, to be signed jointly by the officer of the Authority and the person concerned or his agent or representative: provided that refusal to sign the inventory statement by such person or his agent or representative shall not affect the legality or validity of the inventory statement and its contents.”

**(79) for Section 60, in sub-section (1), clause (a) the words.-** “Additional Commissioner” shall be replaced by the words: “Deputy Commissioner”;

**(80) For Section 60, in sub-section (1), clause (b) the words.-** “Deputy Commissioner” shall be replaced by the words: “Assistant Commissioner”;

**(81) For Section 60, in sub-section (1), clause (c) shall be omitted;**

**(82) For Section 63, in sub-section (1) after the number: “24” the numbers and commas “25, 26A,” shall be inserted:**

**(83) For Section 65, in sub-section (2) the full stop occurring at the end shall be substituted with colon and thereafter the following proviso shall be added. -**

“Provided that a case may be remanded for de novo consideration, in special circumstances, for reasons and purposes to be recorded by the Commissioner (Appeals) in writing.”

**(84) In section 67, sub section (1) the words:** “Additional Commissioner” shall be replaced by the words: “Deputy Commissioner”;

**(85) In section 67, Sub Section (3) the word:** “Two” shall be replaced by the word “Twenty”.

**(86) In Section 71, sub-section (3) the words:** “Additional Commissioner” shall be replaced by the words: “Deputy Commissioner”;

**(87) In section 78, sub-section (1), after the phrase:** “The Authority may,” the words, “with the approval of the government and” shall be omitted;

**(88) After Section 78A, the following new section (78B) shall be added:-**

**“78B, Classification of services:-**

(1) The Authority may, for the purposes of assessment, enforcement, administration, and facilitation under this Act, prescribe a classification system for services, including the adoption of the Central Product Classification (CPC) as issued and updated by the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD), or any other classification framework, through notification in the official Gazette.



Provided that the inclusion or exclusion of any service from a code so prescribed shall not, by itself, determine the taxability or otherwise of such service.

(2) Any service, whether or not previously classified under the Harmonized System (HS) codes or described in any other definitions, shall, from the effective date of such notification, be classified in accordance with the system prescribed by the Authority.

(3) No tax, exemption, liability, recovery, assessment, or other action taken under a prior classification system shall be rendered invalid solely because of the adoption of a new classification system.

(4) In case of any inconsistency, ambiguity, overlap, or transitional complication arising from the adoption or application of a new classification system, the Authority may, by notification in the official Gazette, issue clarifications, prescribe transitional arrangements, or take such other measures as may be necessary for the effective implementation of this Act.

- (89) **After section 79, in sub-section (4) the full stop occurring at the end shall be substituted with a colon and thereafter the following Proviso shall be added.-**

“Provided that the Authority may make arrangement or agreement, on reciprocal or multilateral basis with the Federal Board of Revenue and other provincial sales tax authorities, for sharing of electronic data of tax returns filed in the computerized system, subject to such limitations and conditions as may be specified by the Authority and agreed to in such agreements.”

- (90) **In section 89, sub-section (2) the words: “disposed off” shall be replaced with the words “disposed of”**
- (91) **The existing first and second schedules shall be substituted with the following schedules. -**



#### **First Schedule**

#### **[List of Exempt Services as specified in Section 10(2)]**

S.no	Description	Conditions for Exemptions
1	Accommodation, food and beverage services	<p>Services provided or rendered by caterers whose turnover does not exceed 2.5 million rupees in a financial year:</p> <p>Provided that the exemption shall not apply in case of service provider-</p> <p>(i) located within the building, premises or precincts of any hotel, motel, guest house, farmhouse or club whose services are liable to sales tax;</p> <p>(ii) providing or rendering services in the building, premises, precincts, hall or lawn of any hotel, motel, guest house, farmhouse, marriage hall or</p>



		lawn or club whose services are liable to sales tax; (iii) which are franchisers or franchisees; (iv) having branches or more than one outlet ; and whose total utility bills (gas, electricity and telephone) exceed Rs. 40,000/- in any month during a financial year or have a solar setup for electricity generation or are using LPG..
2	Tour Operators	Services provided or rendered by tour operators in relation to Hajj and Umrah tour packages.
3	Renting of immovable property services	Renting of immovable property services provided or rendered to an individual person whose income does not exceed the maximum amount that is not chargeable to tax under the Income Tax Ordinance 2001(XLIX of 2001)
4	Service provided or rendered by persons engaged in contractual execution of work or furnishing supplies	Services provided or rendered by persons engaged in contractual execution of work or furnishing supplies in relation to the text books, published for free distribution amongst students free of cost, against the order Balochistan Textbook Board subject to the conditions that the Balochistan Textbook Board:-  a) assigns the work to a person duly registered under the Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Act, 2015; and b) furnishes, to the Authority, statement on quarterly basis, showing name of person/contractor, BNTN, value of such contract, along with certificate about the free of cost distribution of such textbooks amongst the students.
5	Storage and warehousing services	The exemption shall apply to services provided or rendered in relation to food and agricultural commodities.
6	Central banking services	The exemption shall be applicable to services provided or rendered by the State Bank of Pakistan.
7	Legal and accounting services	Where the services are rendered and funded under an agreement of foreign grant-in-aid or interest free loan



8	Management consulting and management services	Where the services are rendered and funded under an agreement of foreign grant-in-aid or interest free loan
9	Architectural advisory services	Where the services are rendered and funded under an agreement of foreign grant-in-aid or interest free loan
10	Veterinary services	
11	Advertising services and the provision of advertising space or time	(i) Advertisements financed out of funds provided by the Government under grant-in-aid agreements. (ii) Advertisements conveying a public service message in relation to the polio eradication program by UNICEF.
13	Support and operation services to agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing	The exemption shall be applicable to services provided or rendered in relation to: (1) services of provision of agricultural machinery with crew and operators; or (2) support and operation services to hunting.
14	Maintenance and repair services of fabricated metal products, machinery and equipment	The exemption shall be applicable to services provided or rendered in relation to machinery and equipment used for the purpose of agriculture, horticulture, animal husbandry and dairy farming.
15	Public administration and other services provided to the community as a whole, compulsory social security services	The exemption shall apply to services provided or rendered by the Federal Government, Government of Balochistan and Local governments.
16	Education services	
17	Services provided or rendered by hospitals and clinics	Services of provision of rooms/beds by hospitals and clinics for its indoor patients or day-care patients where the per day charges (including allied fixed charges, if any) for such rooms/beds below Rs. 40,000 per room/bed;
18	Accountants and auditors	Accountants and auditors' services exported and delivered by registered persons outside Pakistan subject to the condition that the value of export of the services is received in foreign



		exchange through banking channels in the business bank accounts of the registered person exporting the services and is also reported to the State Bank of Pakistan in the manner prescribed by the State Bank of Pakistan.
19	Software or IT based system development consultants	Software or IT-based system development consultants' services exported, by registered persons, outside Pakistan subject to the condition that the value of export of the services is received in foreign exchange through banking channels in the business bank accounts of the registered person exporting the services and is also reported to the State Bank of Pakistan in the manner prescribed by the State Bank of Pakistan.
20	Fumigation services	(i) Public health fumigation services provided or rendered by the Federal, Provincial or Local Government and Cantonment Boards; and (ii) Agricultural fumigation services
21	Construction services	Construction services related to: (i) Construction and development of EPZ, SEZ, and diplomatic and consular buildings. (ii) Construction of an independent private residential house, other than a residential unit, having a total covered area not exceeding 10,000 square feet; and (iii) Construction relating to such of the low cost affordable public housing projects as are sponsored and funded by the Federal Government or by Government of Balochistan subject to the condition that the houses are built or constructed on plot of up to 125 square yards or the covered area of the apartment and flats, so built or constructed under the project, does not exceed 900 square feet. (iv) Construction Services for which payment is made from Provincial Consolidated Fund and Federal Consolidated Fund in respect of works approved and started before FY 2016-17 and still ongoing, subject to the condition that no project/scheme cost revision in the PCI has been made after 2016-17.



22	Services provided or rendered by call centres	Call center services exported and delivered by registered persons to persons outside Pakistan subject to the condition that the value of the export of the service is received in foreign exchange through banking channels in the business bank accounts of registered person exporting the services and is also reported to the State Bank of Pakistan in the manner prescribed by the State Bank of Pakistan.
23	Marine insurance	Marine insurance for export.
24	Residential care services for the elderly and disabled; and	The exemption shall apply to services provided or rendered by a home or hostel which is exclusively used for the aged or special persons or children and is run by or under the control of such a charitable or educational institution as are eligible for tax credit under section 100C of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 (Ordinance No. XLIX of 2001).
25	Other social services with accommodation	The exemption shall be applicable to services provided or rendered by a home or hostel which is run by or under the control of such a charitable or educational institution as are eligible for tax credit under section 100C of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 (Ordinance No. XLIX of 2001).
26	Services provided by extraterritorial organizations and bodies	
27	Protection of foreign investment of US\$ 1.5 Billion or more:-	All foreign investment of US\$ 1.5 billion or more, made into the province of Balochistan, in any section, industries or projects, shall be exempted from provision of Sales Tax on Services under the Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Act, 2015



**SECOND SCHEDULE**  
**[List of Services specified in Section 10(3)]**

S.No.	Description	Rate
1	Hosting and information technology (IT) infrastructure provisioning services	19.50%
2	Telecommunications services, including telephony, mobile services, and data transmission	19.50%
3	Internet telecommunications services	19.50%
4	Security systems services (including electronic surveillance and vehicle tracking)	19.50%
5	Installation services of radio, television and communications equipment and apparatus	19.50%

**THIRD SCHEDULE**  
**[List of Services specified in Section 10(4)]**

S. No	Description of services	Rate	Conditions
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		8%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
1	Services provided or rendered by restaurants, including café, coffee houses, food huts, ice-cream shops and eateries.	2%	<p>(i) The registered person installs POS machine for electronic issuance of invoices or receipts and gets all such machines linked up with BRA web portal to the satisfaction of BRA;</p> <p>(ii) The registered person issues his tax invoice/bills of charges or receipts electronically and no tax invoice/bill of charges or receipt is issued otherwise except through the POS of the registered person; and</p> <p>(iii) Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.</p> <p>Provided that this reduced rate shall not apply in case of the restaurants:-</p> <p>(a) which are located within the building, premises or precincts of a hotel, motel, guest house or club whose services are liable to tax;</p>





			(b) which are franchisers or franchisees;
2	Services provided or rendered by marriage halls, lawns, mandap, pandal and shamiana, including floral and decoration, etc.	10,000 rupees per event or 2% of Service fees, whichever is higher.	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
3	Customs Agents	1000 Rupees per Goods Declaration	Services provided by Customs Agents in respect of the issuance of a goods declaration and Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.-
4	Travel agents	100 Rupees per Air Ticket	Services provided by Travel Agents in respect of the issuance of domestic and international air Tickets Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible-
5	Tour operators,	5%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
6	Recruiting agents	5%	Standalone Recruiting Agents involved in recruitment of individuals and group of individuals for overseas employment in countries outside Pakistan
7	Services on purchase or sale or hiring of immoveable property	5%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
8	Services on renting of immovable property	3%	Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible
9	Car or automobile dealers	10%	Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible
10	Services provided or rendered by property developers or promoters for:  a) development of purchased or leased land for conversion into residential or commercial plots.  (b) construction of residential or commercial units	(a) 100 rupees per square yard of land; and  (b) 50 rupees per square foot of constructed covered area.	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
11	Service provided or rendered by persons engaged in	1%	Services in relation to Government Civil Works for which the expenditure is paid out



	contractual execution of work or furnishing supplies		of the expenditure budget of the Federal Government or the Provincial Government or the Local Government, or the Cantonment Board  Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be available:  Provided that 1% shall be applicable on all projects inserted in the PSDP since promulgation of this Act including all the taxes due to be paid against those projects.
12	Services provided or rendered for personal care by beauty parlours, beauty clinics, slimming clinics or centres and others	5%	Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.
		2%	The registered person installs POS machine for electronic issuance of invoices or receipts and gets all such machines linked up with BRA web portal to the satisfaction of BRA;  The registered person issues his tax invoice/bills of charges or receipts electronically and no tax invoice/bill of charges or receipt is issued otherwise except through the POS of the registered person; and  Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.
13	Services provided or rendered by laundries and dry cleaners	5%	Services provided or rendered by stand- alone laundries and dry cleaners:-  Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible
14	Service provided or rendered by a foreign exchange dealer or exchange company or money changer	3%	Services provided or rendered by a foreign exchange dealer or exchange company or money changer in consideration of "spread" charges as permitted by the State Bank of Pakistan in relation to the buying and selling of foreign currencies; and  Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible
15	Property developers or promoters.  a) development of purchased or leased land for conversion into residential or commercial	100 rupees per square yard of land; and  50 rupees per square foot of constructed	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible



	plots. (b) construction of residential or commercial units	covered area	
16	Medical practitioners and consultants	2% or Rs 3000 per month which is higher	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible
17	Legal practitioners and consultants	2% or Rs 100 per case	(i)Rs 100/ shall be deposited as fixed Sales tax at the time of filing of each case, appeal, or petition, and proof of which shall be attached with the power of Attorney/Vakalat Nama.  (ii) The fixed rate specified under column (3) shall not be applicable to all services provided or rendered by Corporate Law Consultants .  Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.
18	Accountants and auditors	8%	The reduced rate specified in column (3) shall apply only in relation to accounting and auditing services provided or rendered by accountants and auditors.  Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.
19	Technical, scientific and engineering consultants	6 %	i) Where expenditure is paid out of the budget of the Federal Government or the Provincial Government or the Local Government, or the Cantonment Board  ii) Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be available.
20	Software or IT based system development consultants	2%	The registered person electronically submits his election/option; and  Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
21	Other consultants including tax consultants, human resources and personnel development consultants	8%	Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.
22	Services provided or rendered by laboratories relating to pathological, radiological or diagnostic test of patients	2%	Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.



23	Indenters	3%	Services provided or rendered by an indenter from a place of business in Balochistan for which the registered person receives the value of the services from a place outside Pakistan in foreign exchange through banking channels in the business bank account of the registered person in the manner prescribed by the State Bank of Pakistan; and  Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
24	Commission agents	4%	Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.
25	Money exchanger	3%	Services provided or rendered by money exchanger in consideration of "spread" charges as permitted by the State Bank of Pakistan in relation to the buying and selling of foreign currencies.  Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.
26	Rent a car and automobile rental Service.	8%	Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.
27	Cable TV Operators	2%	The reduced rate of 2% as specified in column (3) shall apply on the services of "Stand-alone Cable TV Operators".  Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
28	Auctioneers	10%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
29	Health care center, gyms or physical fitness center, etc.	2%	The registered person installs POS machine for electronic issuance of the invoices or receipts and gets all such machines linked up with BRA web portal to the satisfaction of BRA;  The registered person issues his tax invoices/bill of charges or receipts electronically and no tax invoice or/bill of charges or receipt is issued otherwise except through the POS of the registered person; and  Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
30	Janitorial services	10%	Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.



31	Dredging or desilting services	10%	Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.
32	Franchise services	10%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
33	Construction services	8%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
		1%	Construction services in relation to Government Civil Works for which the expenditure is paid out of the expenditure budget of the Federal Government or the Provincial Government or the Local Government, or the Cantonment Board  Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be available:  Provided that 1% shall be applicable on all projects inserted in the PSDP since promulgation of this Act including all the taxes due to be paid against those projects.
34	Services provided or rendered by corporate law consultants	8%	Input tax credit/ adjustment shall not be admissible.
35	Services provided or rendered by call centres	2%	The registered person electronically submits his election or option:  Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
36	Services provided or rendered by persons engaged in transportation or carriage of goods by road or through pipeline or conduit	10%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
		3%	Services provided or rendered by persons engaged in transportation or carriage of goods by road or through truck <i>addas</i> or through bus/wagon stands excluding road transportation or carriage of petroleum oils through oil tankers  Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
37	Intellectual Property Services	10%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
38	Cosmetic and plastic surgery and Transplantations	4%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
39	Supply chain management or distribution (including delivery) services	10%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.

40	Services provided or rendered by cab aggregator and the services provided or rendered by the owners or drivers of the vehicles using the cab aggregator services	2%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
41	Warehouse or depots for storage or cold storages	5%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
42	Training services	5%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
43	Insurance agents	5%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.
44	Services provided or rendered by hospitals and clinics	2%	Input tax credit/adjustment shall not be admissible.

**Amendments  
of Balochistan  
Development  
And  
Maintenance of  
Infrastructure  
Cess Act 2021,  
(Act No. IX Of  
2021)**



12. (1) **in Balochistan Development And Maintenance of Infrastructure Cess Act 2021, (Act No. IX Of 2021) After the title of the Act and the words.- “AN ACT” the initial two paragraphs of the preamble and subsequent sentence shall be replaced with the following three paragraphs and subsequent sentence:**

“to provide for levy, collection and administration of infrastructure development cess in the Province of Balochistan.

Preamble.- WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for levy, collection and administration of infrastructure development cess on transportation or movement of goods manufactured, produced, traded or consumed in, imported into or exported out of or transited through the Province of Balochistan;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to provide internal resources for the development, maintenance and improvement of the infrastructure to cater for the ever increasing load of 'goods' traffic and to deal with other purposes, matters and affairs connected herewith or allied thereto; It is hereby enacted as follows:-“

- (2) **in Section 2, for clause (f) the following shall be substituted.-**  
“(f) “cess” means the infrastructure development cess levied, collected and administered under Section 3 of this Act and unless the context requires otherwise, includes default surcharge or penalty or any other sum payable under this Act and the rules, regulations or notifications issued thereunder;”
- (3) **In Section 2, after Clause (h) the following new Clause (hh) shall be inserted:**  
“(hh) “Customs Act” means the Customs Act, 1969 (IV of 1969) and, so far as the collection or administration of the cess is concerned, includes rules, notifications, general orders or public notices made or issued thereunder;”
- (4) **for Section 2, in Clause (kk) the word: “planation” shall be replaced with the word: “plantation”.**
- (5) **for Section 2, at the end of Clause (kk) the word: “matters” shall be replaced with the word: “infrastructure”.**
- (6) **In Section 2, for clause (m) the following shall be substituted. -**



“(m) "owner" means a person who owns the goods or, as the case may be, the vehicle relevant to the assessment, payment or recovery of cess under this Act;”

**(7) In Section 2 after Clause (sss) the following new Clause (t) shall be added:**

“(t) "value" means value of goods, being transported or transited, as determined for purposes of the Customs Act, and in case of goods, manufactured, produced, traded or consumed in Pakistan, the value shall be as determined or determinable by reference to the value determined or determinable under the Sales Tax Act, 1990 for purposes of levy and payment of sales tax thereunder and where required, the concept of open market price shall also, with necessary modifications, apply in this regard.”

**(8) For Section 3, in sub-section (1), after the words: “movement of goods”, the words: “through rail or road or air” shall be omitted and replaced with semi colon “:.”**

**(9) in Section 3, sub-section (1), for clause (d) the following shall be substituted.-**

“(d) transited through the Province by any means including a pipeline or slurry pipeline;”

**10. For Section 4 the following shall be substituted.-**

“4. Person liable to pay cess.--- (1) Every person,-

- (a) manufacturing, producing or trading goods for consumption in the Province;
- (b) transported goods into or transported goods out of the Province through any port, dry-port, airport or custom stations including bonded warehouse, located therein: or
- (c) transporting goods out of; or
- (d) transiting goods through the Province:

shall be liable to pay cess under this Act and the rules or regulations.

(2) Nothing contained in this section shall prevent Government to collect cess from a different person, if that person is made separately, jointly or severally liable for payment of the cess under this Act and the rules or regulations or otherwise.

(3) Where cess has not been paid on any goods, the owner of the goods and owner of the vehicle, loaded with such goods including the person in-charge of the vehicle, shall be severally and jointly responsible for the payable cess and other liabilities.

(4) The Authority may, with consultation of Finance Department Government of Balochistan , develop and apply a scheme or schemes of payment of cess for any-

- (a) goods or class or category of goods; or
- (b) person or class or category of persons through withholding mechanism or collection agent .”

**11. For Section 5 the following shall be substituted. -**

**“5. Payment of cess:-**

(1) In case of goods transported into or transported out of the Province, whether after or, as the case may be, before their transportation, carriage or movement therein, cess shall be payable in the same manner and at the same time, as if it were a customs duty under the Customs Act, regardless whether or not the goods are liable to such duty.

(2) In case of goods manufactured, produced or goods otherwise traded for consumption in the Province, cess shall be payable in the same



manner and at the same time, as if it were a sales tax payable under the Sales Tax Act:

Provided that where sales tax is not payable on such goods, the cess shall be payable in such manner and at such time as may be prescribed.

(3) The cess, in case of goods transited through the Province, shall be collected and paid in such manner and at such time as may be prescribed.

(4) Fifty percent of the total cess collected from a district, specifically determined based on the exact point of collection, movement, entry, or transit of goods within the jurisdictional boundaries of that district shall be transferred on a quarterly basis by the Finance Department, in consultation with the Balochistan Revenue Authority, to a designated infrastructure fund account maintained by the respective local council under Section 96 of the Balochistan Local Government Act, 2010.

(5) The amount of cess deposited in local fund of a local council shall be kept in a scheduled bank and expended exclusively for development of infrastructure, as defined in clause (k-a) section 2 of this Act, in respective area with approval of a Committee chaired by elected representative of the council and with membership one each from treasury and opposition benches and shall also have at least two members nominated to represent the Trade Organization, with whatever name it may be, of that local council.

(6) Notwithstanding anything contained in this section, the Authority may-

(a) specify any other manner or time or mode of payment of cess, after approval from Government, and by a notification, in the official Gazette, in respect of any goods, category or class of goods and subject to such conditions, restrictions or limitations as it may impose, if any; or

(b) allow for a specified time and as a temporary measure, any person or class of persons to pay cess in any different manner in situations, involving emergency or circumstances of unforeseen or exceptional nature”;

(12) In Chapter – III before Section 7, following new section 6A shall be inserted:

**“6A Default Surcharge.-** (1) Where any person has not paid any amount of cess, due under this Act or the rules or regulations or notification issued thereunder, he shall, in addition to the cess due or any other penalties payable under this Act, pay default surcharge at the compound rate of five percent of the payable amount of the cess per month.

(2) Where the period of default is less than one month, the amount of default surcharge shall be prorated in terms of days.

EXPLANATION. For the purposes of this section,-

(a) the cess due, shall not include penalty: and

(b) default surcharge shall not be treated or deemed as penalty.”

(13) Section 7 shall be replaced by the following new Section 7:

**“7. Penalty.-** Where a person has failed to pay any amount of cess, he shall be liable to pay a penalty, not exceeding twenty percent of the amount of cess due and payable.”

(14) For Section 9 the following shall substituted.-

**“9. Appeals.-** Any person aggrieved by an order passed by any Authorized Officer of the Authority in pursuance of this Act or the rules, may file an appeal or reference under Chapter – IX of the Balochistan Sales Tax on Services Act, 2015.



- (15) For the Existing schedule, the following shall be substituted. –

**SCHEDULE**

(see section 2 (r) and 3)

Net Weight of Goods (in Kilograms)	Rate of Infrastructure Cess
Upto 1,250 kilograms	1.80% of the total value of goods (as assessed by Customs Authorities) + 1 paisa per km
Exceeding 1,250 kg but not exceeding 2,030 kg	1.81% of the total value of goods + 1 paisa per km
Exceeding 2,030 kg but not exceeding 4,060 kg	1.82% of the total value of goods + 1 paisa per km
Exceeding 4,060 kg but not exceeding 8,120 kg	1.83% of the total value of goods + 1 paisa per km
Exceeding 8,120 kg but not exceeding 16,000 kg	1.84% of the total value of goods + 1 paisa per km
Exceeding 16,000 kg	1.85% of the total value of goods + 1 paisa per km

**Explanations:**

1. “Value” means the total value of goods as assessed by the Customs Authorities upon entering or exiting or transiting through the Province of Balochistan.
2. “Distance” means the distance covered within the Province as determined or declared through transport documentation, geotagging, or any method prescribed by the Authority.
3. This cess shall be collected at the point of entry, transit, or exit, and paid by the person liable under Section 4 of the Act.



- (16) In section 6, the existing proviso be numbered as subsection and thereafter the following sub-section shall be added.-

(1) All foreign investment of US \$ 1.5 Billion or more, made into the province of Balochistan, in any section, industries or projects, shall be exempted from provision Balochistan Development and Maintenance of infrastructure cess act 2021.

**Amendment of  
the Balochistan  
Local  
Government  
Act, 2010 (Act  
No. V of 2010)**

13. (1) **In Balochistan Local Government Act, 2010 (Act No. V of 2010) In Section 2, after clause (xxviii) a new clause (xxviiiia) shall be inserted namely:**  
“(xxviiiia) “Finance Department” means the Finance Department Government of Balochistan.
- (2) **In sub-section (1), the word and full stop “prescribed.” shall substituted by the word “notified”.**
- (3) **In sub-section (1), after the substituted word “notified” as above, the expression “by the Finance Department through notification in the official Gazette.” shall be inserted.**
- (4) **For sub-section (2), the following shall be substituted. -**  
“(2) The Notification mentioned under section (1) of this section, among other matters, shall also prescribe the responsibility of and manner of conducting pre-audit, form of books and accounts, the chart of accounts to be used and responsibilities of the local councils in this regard.”
- (5) **For sub-section (3), the following shall be substituted.-**  
“(3) The Finance Department shall ensure automation of the budgeting and accounting system of the Local Councils in Balochistan

to bring efficiency and introduce robust financial controls in the Financial Management System of the Local Government in Balochistan.”

- (6) Sub-sections (4) and (5) shall be omitted.
- (7) In Section 114 after subsection (4) the following new subsection (5) shall be added.-

“(5) All foreign investment of US \$ 1.5 Billion or more, made into the province of Balochistan, in any section, industries or projects, shall be exempted from provision of Balochistan Local Government Act, 2010 (Act No. V of 2010).

**Amendment in the Balochistan Tax on Land and Agricultural Income Ordinance, 2000 (Baln Ordinance II of 2000)**

14. (1) in the Balochistan Tax on Land and Agricultural Income Ordinance, 2000 (Baln Ordinance II of 2000) In section 3 the full stop occurring at the end shall be substituted with following proviso. -
- “Provided that out of the two taxes assessed under section 3 and sub-section (1) of section 6 of this Ordinance, an assessee shall be liable to pay one tax the amount of which is greater.”
- (2) In sub-section (1) of section 6 the words and expression with coma “in addition to the land tax charge for any year,” shall be omitted

  
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