

(b) after the entries relating to "Punjab" substituted as aforesaid, the following new entries shall be inserted, namely:-

“Bahawalpur-Janoobi Punjab 47 12 59”

4. Amendment of Article 59 of the Constitution.- In the Constitution, in Article 59,-

(1) in clause (1),-

(a) for the words "one hundred and four", the words "one hundred and twenty-seven" shall be substituted; and

(b) in paragraph (f), for the word "four" the word "five" shall be substituted.

(2) In clause (3), in paragraph (f), for the word "two" occurring for the second time the word "three" shall be substituted.

(3) Clause (4) shall be renumbered as clause (5) of that Article and before clause (5) renumbered as aforesaid, the following new clause shall be inserted, namely:-

“(4) The seats of members enhanced through the Constitution (Twenty- Fourth Amendment) Act, 2013, shall be filled within ninety days of the commencement of the said Act and the members to be elected on those seats shall retire on the 11th March, 2015”

5. Amendment of Article 106 of the Constitution.- In the Constitution, in Article 106, in clause (1), in the table,-

(a) for the entries relating to “Punjab” in the first, second, third, fourth and fifth columns the following shall be substituted, namely:-

Punjab 199 44 5 248”

- (b) after the entries relating to "Punjab" substituted as aforesaid, the following new entries shall be inserted, namely:-

“Bahawalpur-Janoobi Punjab 98 22 3 123”

- 6. Amendment of Article 175A of the Constitution.-** In the Constitution, in Article 175A, after clause (6), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:-

“6A.- For initial appointment of the Chief Justice and the Judges of the Province of Bahawalpur-Janoobi Punjab, the Chief Justices of the four Provincial High Courts shall also be members of the Commission.”.

- 7. Amendment of Article 198 of the Constitution.-** In the Constitution, in Article 198,-

- (i) in clause (3), for the full stop at the end a colon shall be substituted and thereafter the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:-

“Provided that the word “each” occurring for the first time and the words and comma “Bahawalpur, Multan and”, on the commencement of the Constitution (Twenty-Fourth Amendment) Act, 2013, shall stand omitted.”; and

- (ii) after clause (4), the following new clause shall be added, namely:-

“(4a) Where a High Court is established in a new Province it shall have its principal seat and Benches at such places as the Governor may determine in consultation with the Chief Justice of such High Court.”.

- 8. Amendment of Article 218 of the Constitution.-** In the Constitution, in Article 218, in clause (2), in paragraph (b), for the word “four” the word “five” shall be substituted.

Statement of Objects and Reasons

The Bill is designed to create a new province of Bahawalpur-Junoobi Punjab out of the existing province of Punjab to meet the long standing demand of the people of this area.

Minister-Incharge