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[TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE]

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BILL

Further to amend the China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority Act,  
2021

**WHEREAS** it is expedient further to amend the China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority Act, 2021 (V of 2021) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**1. Short title and commencement.** - (1) This Act may be called the China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority (Amendment) Act, 2021.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment of section 5, Act V of 2021.** - (1) In the China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority Act, 2021 (V of 2021), hereinafter referred as the said Act, in section 5,-

(i) in sub-section (1), after the phrase "**an Executive Director Research**", the phrase "**, one member from each province nominated by the Chief Minister**" shall be inserted and after the phrase "**six other members**", the phrase "**as nominated by the Minister concerned**" shall be inserted; and

(ii) in sub-section (2), for the full stop "." occurring at the end, a colon ":" shall be substituted and thereafter, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:-

"Provided that the Chairperson shall report to the Minister concerned and the Minister concerned shall be the **reporting officer** of the Chairperson."

**3. Amendment of section 12, Act V of 2021.** - (1) In the said Act, in section 12,-

- (i) in sub-section (1), for the word, "**Chairperson**", the words, "**Minister concerned**" shall be substituted;
- (ii) in sub-section (2), for the word, "**Chairperson**", the words "**Minister concerned**" shall be substituted;
- (iii) in sub-section (3), in the proviso, for the word, "**Chairperson**", the words "**Minister concerned**" shall be substituted; and
- (iv) in sub-section (6), for the word, "**Chairperson**", occurring twice the words "**Minister concerned**" shall be substituted.

**4. Amendment of section 16, Act V of 2021.** - (1) In the said Act, in section 16, in sub-section (5) after the phrase "**Budget Committee**", occurring at the end, the new phrase "**and the Budget Committee shall be headed by the Minister concerned**" shall be inserted.

**5. Insertion of new section after section 28, Act V of 2021.** - In the said Act, after section 28, the following new section shall be inserted, namely: -

**"29. \_\_\_\_\_.**-The Authority shall be responsible to Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament) and shall submit an annual report to both the Houses of Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament)."

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

The CPEC Authority is responsible for planning, facilitating, coordinating, monitoring and evaluating to ensure implementation of all activities related to China Pakistan Economic Corridor. For smooth working, it is vital to ensure inter-provincial and inter-ministerial coordination. It is not only vital for efficient working the CPEC, but for ensuring expedition, transparency, participatory decision making and good governance also.

This can only be achieved by giving due representation to provinces in the CPEC and by making the Authority accountable to public representatives sitting in the Parliament. The situation clamors to introduce the said bill.

The bill is designed to achieve the aforesaid objectives.

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