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PART I

Acts, Ordinances, President's Orders and Regulations

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

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The following Acts of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 4th June, 1976, and are hereby published for general information :—

An Act to amend the Abandoned Properties (Taking Over and Management) Act, 1975.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Abandoned Properties (Taking Over and Management) Act, 1975 (XX of 1975), for the purposes hereinafter appearing ;

AND WHEREAS the Proclamation of Emergency referred to in Article 280 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan is in force ;

It is hereby enacted as follows :—

1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the Abandoned Properties (Taking Over and Management) (Amendment) Act, 1976.

(2) It shall come into force at once and shall be deemed to have taken effect on the twelfth day of February, 1975.

2. **Amendment of long title and preamble, Act XX of 1975.**—In the Abandoned Properties (Taking Over and Management) Act, 1975 (XX of 1975), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in the long title and preamble, the words “taking over and” shall be omitted.

3. **Amendment of section 1, Act XX of 1975.**—In the said Act, in section 1, in sub-section (1), the words “Taking Over and” shall be omitted.

4. **Amendment of section 2, Act XX of 1975.**—In the said Act, in section 2, for clause (f) the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“(f) ‘specified person’ means a person who, at any time before the sixteenth day of December, 1971, was a citizen of Pakistan domiciled in the territories which before the said day constituted the Province of East Pakistan and who, on or after that day, has ceased or ceases to be a citizen of Pakistan, and includes a company registered in the said territories the registered office of which has not been shifted in pursuance of the Companies (Shifting of Registered Office) Ordinance, 1972 (V of 1972).”

5. **Amendment of section 21, Act XX of 1975.**—In the said Act, in section 21, after the word “amount” occurring for the second time, the commas and words “, alongwith interest thereon at such rate as the Federal Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, specify,” shall be inserted.

6. **Amendment of section 29, Act XX of 1975.**—In the said Act, in section 29, after the word “administration”, the commas and words “, or disposal in the public interest, by way of transfer or otherwise,” shall be inserted.

7. **Repeal.**—The Abandoned Properties (Taking Over and Management) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1976 (XVII of 1976), is hereby repealed.

M. A. HAO,
Secretary.