

[AS PASSED BY THE SENATE]

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*further to amend the Federal Employees Benevolent Fund and Group Insurance Act, 1969*

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Federal Employees Benevolent Fund and Group Insurance Act, 1969 (II of 1969), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows: -

1. **Short title and commencement.** - (1) This Act shall be called the Federal Employees Benevolent Fund and Group Insurance (Amendment) Act, 2023.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of section 13, Act II of 1969.**- In the Federal Employees Benevolent Fund and Group Insurance Act, 1969 (II of 1969), hereinafter called as the said Act, in section 13, in sub-section (5), for the expression "9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015", the expression "15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013" shall be substituted.

3. **Amendment of section 15A, Act II of 1969.**- In the said Act, in section 15A, for the expression, "9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015", the expression "15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013" shall be substituted.

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STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Under Section 13(5) of FEBF & GI Act, 1969, an additional monthly Benevolent Grant is provided to the family of deceased employee who dies during service in security related act on or after 9.2.2015. Similarly, a special lump sum grant is provided to the family members of an employee who dies during service in security related act on after 9.2.2015 in pursuance of Section 15(A) of the FEBF & GI Act, 1969. The Establishment Division has already notified these additional benefits vide Establishment Division's O.M No. 8/10/2013-E-2(Pt), dated 4.12.2015 effective from 09.02.2015. However, the Prime Minister has also allowed to process the claims arising during the period between 15.06.2013 and 09.02.2015 as the Assistance Package dated 20.10.2014 was in the field. The Establishment Division also notified after getting approval of Prime Minister vide O.M dated 11.06.2018. Accordingly, Board of Trustees in its 111st meeting held on 22.08.2019 and 05.09.2019 has recommended to amend effective date of Section 13(5) and 15(A) of FEBF & GI Act, 1969 and Rules 1972 to read as 15.06.2013 and directed to initiate the proceedings and refer the case for amendment to the federal government under Section 23 of FEBF & GI Act, 1969.

Minister for Parliamentary Affairs