

Government of Pakistan
Ministry of Law and Justice

Islamabad the 03rd May, 2026

F. No. 2(1)/2026-Pub. The following Ordinance promulgated on 03rd May, 2026 by the President is hereby published for general information:-

Ordinance No. III OF 2026
AN
ORDINANCE

to repeal the Pakistan International Airlines Corporation
(Conversion) Act, 2016

WHEREAS, it is expedient to repeal the Pakistan International Airlines Corporation (Conversion) Act, 2016 (XV of 2016) in the manner and for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

AND WHEREAS the Senate and National Assembly are not in session, and the President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of powers conferred by clause (1) of Article 89 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance: -

1. Short title and commencement. - (1) This Ordinance shall be called the Pakistan International Airlines Corporation (Conversion) (Repeal) Ordinance, 2026.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Repeal of Act XV of 2016.- (1) The Pakistan International Airlines Corporation (Conversion) Act, 2016 (XV of 2016) is hereby repealed except sub-section (1) of section 7 of the repealed Act.

(2) Notwithstanding the repeal of the Pakistan International Airlines Corporation (Conversion) Act, 2016 (XV


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of 2016), the conversion of the Pakistan International Airlines Corporation into a public company, all orders made, actions taken, arrangements entered into, transfers effected, licenses, permissions, sanctions, authorizations, concessions and approvals granted and all proceedings continued under any of the powers conferred or exercised under the repealed Act, together with any right, privilege, obligation or liability acquired, accrued or incurred thereunder shall be deemed always to have been lawfully and validly made, taken, issued, vested or transferred and shall continue to be in force.

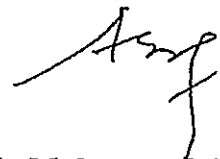
(3) The particulars mentioned under sub-section (2) or in any other section of this Ordinance shall not prejudice the general application of section 6 of the General Clauses Act, 1897 (X of 1897).

ASIF ALI ZARDARI,
President

RAJA NAEEM AKBAR,
Secretary

Statement of Objects and Reasons

1. PIACL was corporatized by the Pakistan International Airlines Corporation (Conversion) Act 2016 (XV of 2016). The purpose was to facilitate its privatization.
2. The validity period under PIAC Conversion Act was extended by the Federal Cabinet to 30th June 2026, under which, the 7 immovable properties were duly transferred from PIACL to PIAHCL vide Gazette Notification dated 6th March 2026.
3. Now, the PIAC Conversion Act has fulfilled its purpose and repeal of the said Act is one of the Conditions Precedent to ensure successful divestment of PIACL, as the Conditions Precedent have been stipulated in the Cabinet-approved Share Purchase and Subscription Agreement (SPSA), which has been executed by all stakeholders.
4. In accordance with the decision of the Federal Government and in compliance with the provisions of the SPSA, the repeal of the said Act was processed through the legislative route and the bill along with supporting documents were submitted to the Parliamentary Affairs Division for tabling before the Parliament. However, as the Parliament was not in session and the completion of the Conditions Precedent is a time-bound obligation, therefore, the repeal of the said Act is sought through introduction of the Pakistan International Airlines Corporation (Conversion) (Repeal) Ordinance, 2026, in keeping with the powers of the President under Article 89 of the Constitution of Pakistan 1973.
5. Consequent upon the Presidential Assent, as per clause 89(2), the Ordinance is to be laid before the House of Parliament in session.



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