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PART I

Acts, Ordinances, President's Orders and Regulations

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PAKISTAN

Islamabad, the 9th February, 1973

The following Acts of the National Assembly received the assent of the President on the 9th February, 1973, and are hereby published for general information :—

ACT No. XXIV OF 1973

An Act to amend the Workers' Children (Education) Ordinance, 1972

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Workers' Children (Education) Ordinance, 1972 (*XI of 1972*), for the purposes hereinafter appearing ;

AND WHEREAS the Proclamation of Emergency referred to in clause (8) of Article 139 of the Interim Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan is in force ;

It is hereby enacted as follows :—

1. **Short title, extent and commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the **Workers' Children (Education) (Amendment) Act, 1973.**

(2) It extends to the whole of Pakistan.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of section 2, Ordinance XI of 1972.**—In the Workers' Children (Education) Ordinance, 1972 (*XI of 1972*), hereinafter referred to as the said Ordinance, in section 2, for clause (b) the following shall be substituted, namely :—

“(b) ‘establishment’ means any office, firm, industrial unit, undertaking, shop or premises in which workers are employed for the purpose of carrying on any business, trade, manufacture, calling, service, employment or occupation ;”.

3. **Substitution of sections 3, 4 and 5, Ordinance XI of 1972.**—In the said Ordinance, for sections 3, 4 and 5 the following shall be substituted, namely :—

“3. **Levy of education cess.**—(1) Every employer of an establishment in which the number of workers employed at any time during a year is twenty or more shall pay to the Provincial Government an education cess at the rate of one hundred rupees per worker per annum.

(2) Every employer shall, within every three months beginning from the first day of the calendar month following the commencement of the Workers' Children (Amendment) Act, 1973, prepare and deliver, or cause to be prepared and delivered, in the form and to the officer prescribed by the Provincial Government, a return showing the number of workers employed in the establishment during the preceding quarter and shall subscribe a declaration of the truth of the return at the foot thereof.

(3) The levy of education cess shall be on the basis of the number of workers shown in the return referred to in sub-section (2).

4. **Education of Workers' Children.**—The Provincial Government shall provide education free of cost up to **Matric** to one child of every worker employed in an establishment referred to in section 3.

Explanation.—‘Education free of cost’ includes provision of text books free of cost and exemption from admission fee, tuition fee, examination fee and school fund.

5. **Manner of levying cess.**—The cess described in section 3 shall be levied, so far as may be, in the same manner, and under the same provisions of law, as the land revenue.

6. **Power to make rules.**—The Provincial Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.”.

4. **Repeal.**—The Workers' Children (Education) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1972 (*L of 1972*), is hereby repealed.