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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 21st July, 1975, and are hereby published for general information:—

ACT NO. LIII OF 1975

An Act to amend the National Registration Act, 1973

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the National Registration Act, 1973 (LVI of 1973), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. Short title and commencement.—(1) This Act may be called the National Registration (Amendment) Act, 1975.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment of section 2, Act LVI of 1973.—In the National Registration Act, 1973 (LVI of 1973), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 2, in clause (c), for the words “Deputy Registrar-General or a District Registrar or Registrar” the words “Joint Registrar-General or Deputy Registrar-General or Assistant Registrar-General or District Registrar or Registrar or Inspector” shall be substituted.

3. Amendment of section 3, Act LVI of 1973.—In the said Act, in section 3,—

(a) in sub-section (1), for clauses (b), (c) and (d) the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“(b) a Joint Registrar-General and as many Deputy Registrars-General, Assistant Registrars-General, District Registrars, Registrars and Inspectors as it may consider necessary”; and

(b) for sub-section (2) the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“(2) The Joint Registrar-General and every Deputy Registrar-General, Assistant Registrar-General, District Registrar, Registrar and Inspector shall exercise his powers and perform his functions under this Act and the rules—

(a) within such area as the Registrar-General, subject to the general supervision and control of the Federal Government, may direct; and

(b) under the general supervision and control of, and in accordance with such instructions as may be given in this behalf by, the Registrar-General.”.

4. Amendment of section 4, Act LVI of 1973.—In the said Act, in section 4,—

(a) for sub-section (2) the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“(2) An application for registration shall be made in such form and to such authority as may be prescribed.”; and

(b) after sub-section (2) substituted as aforesaid, the following new sub-section shall be added, namely:—

“(3) The birth of a newly born citizen, and the death of a citizen who has not attained the age of eighteen years, shall be reported to the District Registrar by such authority or officer as may be prescribed.”.

5. Amendment of section 5, Act LVI of 1973.—In the said Act, in section 5, in sub-section (1), for the words and figure “containing the particulars set out in Schedule II to this Act” the words “in the prescribed form” shall be substituted.

6. Amendment of section 11, Act LVI of 1973.—In the said Act, section 11 shall be re-numbered as sub-section (1) of that section and, after sub-section (1) re-numbered as aforesaid, the following new sub-section shall be added, namely :—

“(2) Any person who attests or verifies any statement or information made or furnished for the purpose of this Act which he knows or has reason to believe to be false in any material particular or which he does not believe to be true shall be punishable with fine not exceeding one thousand rupees, or with simple imprisonment for a period not exceeding three months, or with both.”

7. Insertion of new section 17A, Act LVI of 1973.—In the said Act, after section 17, the following new section shall be inserted, namely :—

“17A. *Power to exempt.*—The Registrar-General or an officer authorised by him in this behalf may, by order, in special circumstances to be recorded in writing, exempt any person or class of persons from the requirement of possessing or producing an identity card for any purpose for which it is required by or under this Act to be possessed or produced.”

8. Omission of Schedules I and II, Act LVI of 1973.—In the said Act, Schedule I and Schedule II shall be omitted.