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PART I

Acts, Ordinances, President's Orders and Regulations

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

*Islamabad, the 29th December, 2024*

No. F. 22(35)/2024-Legis.—The following Act of *Majlis-e-Shoora* (Parliament) received the assent of the President on the 27th December, 2024, is hereby published for general information:—

ACT NO. XXXVIII OF 2024

*further to amend the Societies Registration Act, 1860*

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (XXI of 1860) in the manner and for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) This Act shall be called the Societies Registration (Amendment) Act, 2024.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Addition of new section 21, Act XXI of 1860.**—In the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (XXI of 1860), after section 20, the following new section 21, shall be added, namely:—

(691)

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“21. **Registration of Deeni Madaris.**—(1) Every Deeni Madrasa, by whatever name called, shall not operate without getting itself registered in the following manner, namely:—

- (a) the Deeni Madrasa in existence before the commencement of the Societies Registration (Amendment) Act, 2024, (XXXVIII of 2024), if not already registered, shall get itself registered under this Act within six months from commencement of the Societies Registration (Amendment) Act, 2024 (XXXVIII of 2024); and
- (b) a Deeni Madrasa established after commencement of the Societies Registration (Amendment) Act, 2024, (XXXVIII of 2024), shall get itself registered under this Act within one year of its establishment.

*Explanation.*—A Deeni Madrasa having more than one campus shall need only one registration.

- (2) Every Deeni Madrasa shall submit to the Registrar annual report of its educational activities.
- (3) Every Deeni Madrasa shall cause to be carried out audit of its accounts by an auditor and submit a copy of its audit report to the Registrar.
- (4) No Deeni Madrasa shall teach or publish any literature which promotes militancy or spreads sectarianism or religious hatred:

Provided that nothing contained herein shall bar the comparative study of various religions or schools of thought or the study of any other subject covered by the Holy Quran, Sunnah or the Islamic jurisprudence.

- (5) Every Deeni Madrasa shall, subject to their resources, include basic contemporary subjects in their curriculum according to a phased program.
- (6) For registration of Deeni Madrasa under this Act, no Deeni Madrasa shall be required to register itself under any other law for the time being in force.
- (7) Once registered under this Act, no Deeni Madrasa shall be required to be registered under any other law whatsoever for the time being enforce.

*Explanation.*—In this section “Deeni Madrasa” means a religious institution and includes a Jamia or Dar-ul-Uloom, called by any other name, established or operated primarily for the purposes of imparting religious education, which provides boarding and lodging facilities.”.

TAHIR HUSSAIN,  
*Secretary General.*