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PART I
Acts, Ordinances, President’s Orders and Regulations

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
Islamabad, the 30th July, 2020

No. F. 22(8)/2020-Legis.—The following Act of Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament) received the assent of the President on the 30th July, 2020, is hereby published for general information:—

ACT NO. XX OF 2020
further to amend the Anti-terrorism Act, 1997

WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Anti-terrorism Act, 1997 (XXVII of 1997) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as under:—

1. **Short title and Commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the Anti-terrorism (Amendment) Act, 2020.
   
   (2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of section 2, XXVII of 1997.**—In the Anti-terrorism Act, 1997 (XXVII of 1997), hereinafter referred to as “the Act”, in section 2, the existing clause (pa) shall be re-numbered as clause (paa) and before the aforesaid re-numbered clause the following new clause shall be inserted, namely:—

   “(paa) “person” means any natural, legal person or body corporate;”

3. **Amendment of section 11O, Act XXVII of 1997.**—In the Act, in section 11O,—

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

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“(2) Any natural person not connected with a legal person or body corporate, who violates any provision of sub-section (1) shall be liable, on conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years or with fine not exceeding twenty-five million rupees or with both.”;

(b) in sub-section (3), for the expression “to penalty of fine not exceeding ten million rupees and every director, officer or employee of such person found guilty of the violation shall be punished in terms thereof”, the expression “on conviction to fine not exceeding fifty million rupees and every director, officer or employees of such person found guilty of the violation shall be liable on conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years or with fine not exceeding twenty five million rupees or with both” shall be substituted; and

(c) after sub-section (3), the following new sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—

“(3A) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (2), if any public servant is found negligent in complying with the provision of sub-section (1) such public servant shall be proceeded against under respective service rules for administrative action.”.

4. Insertion of section 11OOO, Act XXVII of 1997.—In the Act, after section 11OO, the following new section shall be inserted, namely:—


(2) A person guilty of an offence under sub-section (1), shall be liable on conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years or with fine not exceeding twenty five million rupees or with both.

(3) If a legal person or body corporate, commits an offence under sub-section (1), such person or body corporate shall be liable on conviction to fine not exceeding fifty million rupees and every director, officer or employee of such legal person or body corporate found guilty of the violation shall be liable on conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years or with fine not exceeding twenty five million rupees or with both.

(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (2), of section 11OOO, if any public servant is found negligent in complying with the provisions of sub-section (1), such public servant shall be proceeded again under respective service rules for administrative action.”.

TAHIR HUSSAIN,
Secretary.