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PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB NOTIFICATION

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No.PAP/Legis-2(92)/2011/529. The Punjab Protection of Breast-Feeding and Child Nutrition (Amendment) Bill 2011, originally passed by the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab on the 22nd day of December 2011, was sent to the Governor of the Punjab for assent. The Governor returned the Bill for reconsideration by the Assembly. The Provincial Assembly of the Punjab, after reconsideration, again passed the Bill on the 25th day of January 2012. The Bill was again sent to the Governor for assent on the 27th day of January 2012. Since the Governor has not assented to the Bill within the stipulated period of ten days, the same is deemed to have been assented to in terms of clause (3) of Article 116 of the Constitution, and is published as an Act of the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab.

THE PUNJAB PROTECTION OF BREAST-FEEDING AND CHILD NUTRITION (AMENDMENT) ACT 2012

ACT XVI OF 2012

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An
Act

*further to amend the Protection of Breast-feeding
and Child Nutrition Ordinance, 2002.*

Preamble.— Whereas it is expedient further to amend the Protection of Breast-feeding and Child Nutrition Ordinance, 2002 (XCIII of 2002) for purposes hereinafter appearing; It is enacted as follows:—

1. Short title and commencement.— (1) This Act may be cited as the Punjab Protection of Breast-feeding and Child Nutrition (Amendment) Act 2012.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendments in Ordinance XCIII of 2002.— In the Protection of Breast-feeding and Child Nutrition Ordinance, 2002 (XCIII of 2002), hereinafter referred to as the said Ordinance, for the words "Federal Government", wherever occur, the word "Government" shall be substituted.

3. **Amendment in section 1 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.**— In the said Ordinance, in section 1, in sub-section (2), for the words "the whole", the word "whole" shall be substituted and for the word "Pakistan" the words "the Punjab" shall be substituted.

4. **Amendments in section 2 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.**— In the said Ordinance, in section 2—

(a) in clause (d), for the word "National", the word "Punjab" shall be substituted;

(b) after clause (m), the following clause (mm) shall be inserted:

"(mm) "Government" means Government of the Punjab;"; and

(c) clause (x) shall be omitted.

5. **Substitution of section 3 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.**— In the said Ordinance, for section 3, the following shall be substituted:-

"3. Punjab Infant Feeding Board.- (1) The Government shall, by notification in the official Gazette, constitute the Punjab Infant Feeding Board.

(2) The Board shall consist of a Chairperson, a Secretary, two Members of the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab and not more than such number of members as the Government may determine or as may be prescribed:

Provided that not less than half of the total number of members of the Board shall comprise such persons as are professionally qualified with respect to infant and young child nutrition and at least one member of the Board shall be selected from the industry relating to the manufacturing and marketing of designated products.

(3) The Government shall nominate the members of the Board and they shall hold office for such term as may be determined by the Government or as may be prescribed."

6. **Substitution of section 4 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.**— In the said Ordinance, for section 4, the following shall be substituted:-

"4. Powers and functions of the Board.— The following shall be the powers and functions of the Board:-

(a) to receive reports of violations of the provisions of this Ordinance or the rules;

(b) to recommend investigation of cases against manufacturers, distributors or health workers found to be violating the provisions of this Ordinance or the rules;

(c) to plan for and co-ordinate the dissemination of informational and educational material on topics of infant feeding and recommend continuing educational courses for health workers for purposes of this Ordinance;

(d) to advise the Government on policies for the promotion and protection of breast-feeding, and matters relating to designated products especially infant and young child nutrition, particularly through national or provincial education campaigns, and to organize health education on the same for health workers and general public; and

(e) to propose guidelines to the Government in respect of matters specified in clause (d)."

7. **Substitution of section 5 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.**— In the said Ordinance, for section 5, the following shall be substituted:-

"5. Meeting of the Board.- The Secretary of the Board shall call meetings of the Board, at the direction of the Chairperson, and maintain minutes of such meetings."

8. **Omission of section 6 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.**— In the said Ordinance, section 6 shall be omitted.

9. **Amendment in section 7 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.**— In the said Ordinance, in section 7, in sub-section (3), the words and commas "or a Provincial Committee, as the case may be," shall be omitted.

10. Amendment in section 8 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.— In the said Ordinance, in section 8, in sub-section (1), for the word "Pakistan", wherever occurs, the words "the Punjab" shall be substituted.

11. Amendments in section 10 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.— In the said Ordinance, in section 10—

- (a) in sub-section (4), the words and comma "and in all other cases to a concerned Provincial Committee," shall be omitted; and
- (b) in sub-section (5), the words and comma "or a Provincial Government, as the case may be," shall be omitted.

12. Amendments in section 11 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.— In the said Ordinance, in section 11—

- (a) for the word "Pakistan", wherever occurs, the words "the Punjab" shall be substituted; and
- (b) in sub-section (2), the words and commas "or a Provincial Committee, as the case may be," shall be omitted.

13. Amendment in section 12 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.— In the said Ordinance, in section 12, in sub-section (2), the words and commas ", or a Provincial Committee, as the case may be" shall be omitted.

14. Amendment in section 13 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.— In the said Ordinance, in section 13, in sub-section (1), the words and commas ", or a Provincial Committee, as the case may be," shall be omitted.

15. Amendments in section 15 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.— In the said Ordinance, in section 15—

- (a) in sub-section (1), the words "or a Provincial Committee" shall be omitted; and
- (b) in sub-section (2), the words and commas "or a Provincial Committee, as the case may be," shall be omitted.

16. Amendment in section 16 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.— In the said Ordinance, in section 16, in sub-section (1), the words and commas ", or a Provincial Committee, as the case may be," shall be omitted.

17. Substitution of section 19 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.— In the said Ordinance, for section 19, the following shall be substituted:—

"19. Power to make rules.— The Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Ordinance."

18. Omission of section 20 of Ordinance XCIII of 2002.— In the said Ordinance, section 20 shall be omitted.

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