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**MINISTRY OF KASHMIR AFFAIRS AND GILGIT-BALTISTAN**

NOTIFICATION

*Islamabad, the 15th May, 2020*

**S.R.O.No. 459(I)/2020**. The President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan on the advice of the Prime Minister of Pakistan is pleased to promulgate "**The Gilgit-Baltistan (Elections and Caretaker Government) Amendment Order, 2020**".

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ORDER

*to provide for conduct of transparent elections in Gilgit-Baltistan*

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide for adaptation of laws to install a Caretaker Government for the conduct of elections in a fair and transparent manner in Gilgit-Baltistan and for matters connected therewith and incidental thereto;



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WHEREAS, it is expedient to amend the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan Order, 2018 bearing S.R.O.No.704(I)/2018 dated 01/06/2018 to provide for the above;

NOW, THEREFORE, the President of Pakistan is pleased to promulgate the following:-

**i.. Short title, extent and commencement.**— (1) This Order shall be called The Gilgit-Baltistan (Elections and Caretaker Government) Amendment Order, 2020.

(2) It shall extend to the whole of Gilgit-Baltistan.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

**ii. Insertion of a new article.**— After Article 48 of the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan Order, 2018, the following new article shall be inserted:-

"**48-A. Adaptation of electoral laws and caretaker government.**— (1) The Elections Act, 2017, all rules, regulations and bylaws, framed thereunder (as are in force in Pakistan) shall be adapted in the territory of Gilgit-Baltistan, mutatis mutandis.

(2) Article 56(5) of the proposed Gilgit-Baltistan Governance Reforms, -2019 together with all provisos is hereby adapted in the territory of Gilgit-Baltistan, *mutatis mutandis.*

**iii. Removal of difficulties.**— If any difficulty arises in giving effect to any of the provisions of this Order the President of Pakistan may, by notification in the official gazette, make such provisions as he thinks fit for removing that difficulty.

DR. ARIF ALVI,
*President.*

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