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LAW AND PROSECUTION DEPARTMENT

(Gilgit-Baltistan Secretariat)

Gilgit, the 22nd June, 2020

The Gilgit-Baltistan Forest (Amendment) Act, 2020

(ACT NO. II OF 2020)

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further to amend the Gilgit-Baltistan Forest Act, 2020

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Gilgit-Baltistan Forest Act, 2020 (Gilgit-Baltistan Act III of 2020), for the purpose hereafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:

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1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) This act may be called the Giriit-Baltistan Forest (Amendment) Act, 2020.

2. It shall come into force at once.

3. **Amendment of Section 6 of the Gilgit-Baltistan Act No. III of 2020.**—In the said Act, in Section 6, after sub-section (5), the following sub-section (6) shall be inserted, namely:—

> "(6) Except approval, promulgation and execution of scientific based Working Plans and Management Plans for Private Forests and Protected Forests as prescribed under Section-82 of this Act, the Government shall not have the power to approve and execute amnesty schemes or disposal policy for any illegally extracted timber from Private Forests and Protected Forests. All such illegally extracted timber shall be seized, confiscated and destroyed by the Government through the Department. For this purpose, a Forest Officer not below the rank of Divisional Forest Officer with prior approval of Chief Conservator of Forest shall execute the destruction of such wood at approved sites as deemed appropriate by the Department, in presence of an officer of District Administration not below the rank of BPS-17."

FIDA MUHAMMAD NASHAD,
Speaker,
Gilgit-Baltistan Assembly.

RAJA JALAL MAQPOON,
Governor,
Gilgit-Baltistan.

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