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(Gilgit-Baltistan Secretariat)

Gilgit, the 5th August, 2025

THE GILGIT-BALTISTAN COMMISSION ON THE STUTUS OF WOMEN (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2025

(ACT NO. IX OF 2025)

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ACT

Further to Gilgit-Baltistan Commission on the Status of Women Act, 2022 (Act No. III of the GBA 2022)

No. ALA-1(1)/2025-GBA.—WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Gilgit-Baltistan Commission on the Status of Women Act, 2022 (Act No. III of the GBA 2022) for the purposes hereinafter appearing; It is enacted as follows:-

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1. **Short title, extent and commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the Gilgit-Baltistan Commission on the Status of Women (Amendment) Act. 2024.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Substitution of section 4 (a), amendment in Section 5(g) and addition of section 4(h) of the Act (Act No. III of the GBA 2022).**—In the Gilgit-Baltistan Commission on the Status of Women Act, 2022 (Act No. III of the GBA 2022), following shall be substituted and added as;

(I) In section 4 (a) of the Act, following shall be substituted as;

(a) Chairperson, a woman with qualification of graduation and minimum five years of experience, working on relevant field of women empowerment and women rights having minimum age of 30 years and maximum 65.

(II) In section 4(g) of the Act, following amendment shall be made as;

(g)" five years of experience in women rights / empowerment" shall be added after the word "civil society" and before the word "shall".

(III) In section 4 after sub section (g) shall be added as;

(h) Secretaries to the Government of Gilgit Baltistan not below the rank of BS-19, Social Welfare & Women Development, Home, Law, Finance, Health, Education and Planning & Development, Local Government and Agriculture as *ex-officio* members.

3. **Amendment of section 4 (f) of the Act (Act No. III of the GBA 2022).**—(1) In the fourth line of Section 4 sub- selection (f) of Gilgit-Baltistan Commission on the Status of Women Act, 2022 (Act No. III of the GBA 2022), following shall be amended as;

The word "MPhil" will be omitted and "Masters" shall be added before the word degree and after at least.

4. **Amendment in section 5 (i)(a)&(b) and addition of (vi) and (vii) of (b) and addition of Section (c) of section 5 of the Act (Act No. III of the GBA 2022).—**

(I) In section 5, (i) (a) of the Act, shall be substituted as;

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"(i) (a) Two female members of the Gilgit Baltistan Assembly nominated by the Speaker Gilgit Baltistan Assembly in consultation with Leader of the House and Leader of Opposition of the Assembly, one from the Government and one from the Opposition

(II) In section 5 (i) (b) the following will be substituted as,—

"(i) (b) Secretaries to the Government of Gilgit Baltistan Social Welfare & Women Development and Law.

(III) In section 5, (i), (c) shall be added as:

"The Chief Minister Gilgit Baltistan shall be the appointing authority of the Chairperson of the Commission"

(IV) In section 5(ii) BPS 20 shall be replaced with BPS-21

(V) Section 5(vi) shall be added as "Upon any misconduct to refer by the Government to the Selection Committee; removal shall be made on the recommendation of the Selection Committee.

(VI) Section 5(vii) shall be added as "Appointment of the Chairperson shall stand automatically terminated upon completion of 03 years term in office.".

(VII) 5(viii) shall be added as "The incumbent shall remain in the office until the pleasure of the Government"

5. **Amendment in section 7 of the Act (Act No. III of the GBA 2022).**—

(I) In section 7, sub-section (ii) shall be amended as.

(ii) The Secretary of the Commission shall be Secretary to the Government of Gilgit Baltistan Social Welfare & Women Development as *Ex-Officio* officer.

6. **Amendment in section 16 of the Act (Act No. III of the GBA 2022).**—In the section 16 of the Act sub-sections 4 and 5 shall be added as;

"16. **Annual report of the Commission.**—(4) The Commission shall prepare and submit each year in September its annual report in a prescribed manner, on performance of its functions, accounts, and utilization of funds to the Government.

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(5) The Government shall, at the earliest possible opportunity, lay the annual report of the Commission in the Assembly."

7. **Insertion of section 19A in the Act (Act No. III of the GBA 2022).**—After the section 19 of the Act, the following sections shall be inserted:

"19A. **Members and officers to be public servants.**—The Chairperson, a member and every officer or employee appointed under this Act, or the rules shall be deemed to be a public servant within the meaning of section 21 of the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 (XLV of 1860).

8. **Amendment in section 21 of the Act (Act No. III of the GBA 2022).**—In section 21 of the Act, in the third line after the word order before the word not following shall be added "on the advice of the Commission"

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Speaker
Gilgit-Baltistan Assembly.

SYED MEHDI SHAH,
Governor
Gilgit-Baltistan.

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