

THE WEST PAKISTAN PUBLICATION OF TEXTBOOKS
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[30% June, 1970]

An Ordinance to provide for the regulation and control
of printing, publication and sale of textbooks and works
published by or under the authority of the West Pakistan
Textbook Board.

Preamble. WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the regulation
and control of printing, publication and sale of textbooks and
works published by or under the authority of the West Pakistan
Textbook Board;

NOW, THEREFORHE, in pursuance of Martial Law
Proclamation of 25" March, 1969 read with the Provisional
Constitution Order and in exercise of all powers enabling him
in that behalf, the Governor of West Pakistan is pleased to make
and promulgate the following Ordinance: —

Short title, extent 1. (1) This Ordinance may be called the West Pakistan
and Publication of Textbooks (Regulation and Control) Ordinance,
commencemen 4970,

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(2) It shall extend to the whole of ?[Pakistan].

(3) It shall come into force at once.

Definitions. 2. (1) In this Ordinance unless there is anything
repugnant in the subject or context: —

(a) "Book" includes every volume, part or
division of a volume, and pamphlet, in
any language and every sheet of music,
map, chart or plan, separately printed or
lithographed and also includes its
translation in any language:

(b) "Board" means the *[Textbook Board]

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This Ordinance was promulgated by the Governor of West Pakistan on 30" June, 1970; published in the West Pakistan Gazette
(Extraordinary), dated 30" June, 1970, pages 1615-1617; saved by Article 281 of the Interim Constitution of the Islamic
Republic of Pakistan (EJ72); and, validated by Act LXIII of 1975.

2 Substituted by the President Order 4 of 1975; for the words "the Province of West Pakistan, except the Tribal Areas".

Substituted by the President Order 4 of 1975, for the words "West Pakistan Text Book Board".

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established under the West Pakistan
Textbook Board Ordinance, 1962
(Ordinance No. XLI of 1962');

(c) "Government" means >[Provincial
Government];

(d) "person" shall include the proprietor,
director, manager, secretary or other
officer or agent of a company or
association or body of individuals
whether incorporated or not;

(e) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules
made under this Ordinance;

(f) ~ "work" means a literary work;

(g) "textbook" means a book or work which is
printed, published or sold by or under the
authority or with the permission of the
3[Board].

(2) Words and expressions used but not defined in
this Ordinance shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have
the meaning assigned to them in the 'West Pakistan Press and
Publications Ordinance, 1963 and the Copyright Ordinance,
1962°.

Prohibitions. 3. (1) No person shall, except with the permission of
the Board, or such officer as may be specially empowered in
this behalf by the Board, print, publish, or sell any textbook
which is or has been printed, published or sold by or under
authority or with the permission of the Board.

(2) An application for permission to print, publish,
or sell a textbook shall be made in such manner and form and
on the payment of such fee as may be prescribed.

Offence. 4. Whoever contravenes the provisions of section 3 shall
be punished with imprisonment of either description which may
extend to one year or with fine or both.

Forfeiture. 5. Where a person is convicted of an offence under this
Ordinance, all copies of the textbook in respect of which the

Repealed by the Balochistan Ordinance XI of 1977, in its application to the Province of Balochistan.
Substituted *ibid*; for the words "Government of West Pakistan".

Substituted *ibid*; for the words "West Pakistan Textbook Board".

That is West Pakistan Ordinance XXX of 1963; repealed by Federal Ordinance III of 1990.

That is ordinance XXXIV of 1962; published in the Gazette of Pakistan, Extraordinary, dated 2TM June 1962.

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offence has been committed, shall stand forfeited to the Board.

Cognizance and 6. (1) No court shall take cognizance of an offence trial. punishable under this Ordinance except on report in writing made by an officer authorised for the purpose by the Board.

(2) No court inferior to that of a magistrate of the first class shall try an offence under this Ordinance.

(3) An offence under this Ordinance shall be cognizable and non-bailable.

Indemnity. 7. No suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings shall lie against the Board or any person for anything which is in good faith done or intended to be done in pursuance of this Ordinance.

Exemption. 8. Government may, on the recommendation of the Board, by a notification in official Gazette, exempt any textbook from all or any of the provisions of this Ordinance.

Power to make 9. Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Ordinance.