

THE WEST PAKISTAN ANIMALS SLAUGHTER CONTROL ACT,  
1963

(W.P. Act III of 1963)

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ACT, 1963

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[17" April, 1960]

An Act to prohibit the slaughter of useful animals and to  
regulate the slaughter of other animals in \*West Pakistan;

WHEREAS it is expedient to prohibit the slaughter of  
useful animals and to regular the slaughter of other animals in  
the Province of \*West Pakistan;

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. qd) This Act may be called the \*West Pakistan  
Animals Slaughter Control Act, 1963.

3[(2) It extends to the whole of Province of \*West  
Pakistan, except the Tribal Areas. ]

(3) This section shall come into force at once and the  
remaining provisions of the Act or any of them shall come into  
force in such \*[\* \* \*] area and on such date as Government may,  
by notification in the official Gazette, specify in this behalf.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, the  
following expressions shall have the meanings hereby  
respectively assigned to them, that is to say:—

(a) "animal" means a bullock, bull, cow, buffalo,  
buffalo-bull \*[, goat] and sheep of any age °[, not  
less than six months and claves of Buffalo/ Cattle  
not less than one year];

(b) "carcass" means the dead body of an animal;

(c) "cull" means to pick an animal which is suitable neither for breeding purposes nor for draught purposes;

(d) "Government" means the Government of

For statement of objects and reasons, see Gazette of West Pakistan, 1963 (Extraordinary), pp. 4342-4343. This Act was passed by the W. P. Assembly on 30<sup>th</sup> March, 1963; assented to by the Governor of W. P. on 12<sup>th</sup> April, 1963; and, published in the W. P. Gazette (Extraordinary), dated 17<sup>th</sup> April, 1963, pages 1609-1612.

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Subs. by W.P. Ord. XXIV of 1965.  
The word "Urban" del. *ibid*.

Ins. *ibid*.

Inserted by Baln. Act VI of 2010, published in the Balochistan Gazette (Extraordinary) No. 50, dated 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2010.

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"local authority" means a local council established under 7[The Electoral College Act, 1964 (Act IV of 1964)], or a Municipal Committee constituted under any municipal law for the time being in force, or a Cantonment Board established under the Cantonments Act, 1924 (II of 1924);

"prescribed" means prescribed by rules made under this Act;

"slaughter" means to kill animals by any means;

"slaughter-house" means any building or premises used for slaughtering animals and approved by the local authority concerned;

"stock yard" means any enclosure, approved by a

local authority where animals are assembled for examination by the Veterinary Officer to determine whether they are suitable for slaughter or not, or where animals approved for slaughtering are housed until they are removed to the slaughter-house;

"area" means an area which the Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, declare to be an area for the purposes of this Act;]

"useful animal" means—

(i) a female sheep \*[/Goat] below the age of one year and six months;

(ii) a female sheep '[/Goat] of the age exceeding one year and six months but not exceeding four years, which is pregnant or fit for breeding purposes;

(iii) any female animal, other than sheep '[/Goat], below three years of age;

(iv) any female animal, other than sheep  
'[Goat], which is pregnant or in milk or  
fit for breeding purposes;

1 Subs. by Balochistan Act VI of 2010, published in the Balochistan Gazette (Extraordinary) No. 50, dated 20" May, 2010, for t  
"Balochistan".

2 Subs. by W.P. Ord. XXIV of 1965, for "the Basic Democracies Order, 1959 (P. O. 18 of 1959)".

3 Subs. *ibid*.

4 Inserted by Balochistan Act VI of 2010, published in the Balochistan Gazette (Extraordinary) No. 50, dated 20" May, 2010.

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(v) any female animal, other than sheep  
'1/Goat], between three to, ten years of  
age, which is fit for draught purposes;

but does not include any such animal  
which on account of culling, injury, illness  
or other cause, is certified in writing by a  
Veterinary Officer or any gazetted officer  
of the Animal Husbandry Department as  
not likely to live or as no longer a useful  
animal for the purposes of this Act;

"Veterinary Officer" means an officer of the  
Animal Husbandry Department, not below the  
rank of a '[Veterinary Officer], and includes an  
Officer-in-charge of a slaughter-house, provided  
that such officer-in-charge possesses a degree  
2[\*\*\*\*] from a recognized Veterinary or Animal  
Husbandry College 3[/University].

No person shall slaughter a useful animal.  
No person shall slaughter an animal—

(a) unless such animal has been approved as  
hereinafter provided, for slaughter; '[\* \*  
\*]

(b) except in a slaughter-house and during the  
hours prescribed therefor °[:] °[and]

3[(c) on Tuesday and Wednesday or on such  
other day or days as Government may by  
notification in the official Gazette, specify

in this behalf]

Provided that nothing contained in this section

shall apply to the slaughter of any animal—

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Subs. ibid for the words "Veterinary Assistant Surgeon".  
The words "or diploma" omitted ibid.

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The words “and”, omitted by W.P. Ord. XXIV of 1965.  
Subs. ibid., for the colon.

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by a Muslim on the day of Eid-ul-Azha and the  
two succeeding days; or

which on account of illness, injury or other cause  
is likely to die before it can be presented to the

Examination in  
stock-yard.

Prohibition to cause  
abortion.

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Penalty.

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2 Substituted for the words "two hundred rupees", by Baln. Act VI of 2010, published in Baln. Gazette (Extraordinary) No. 50, d

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officer-in-charge of slaughter-house.

4. () Any person intending to slaughter an animal in  
slaughter-house shall produce the animal in the stock yard for  
examination at any time during the hours fixed by the local  
authority concerned for inspection.

(2) After examination of any such animal, the  
Veterinary Officer may approve it for slaughter:

Provided that no useful animal shall be so approved.

(3) Any person aggrieved by a decision of the  
Veterinary Officer, may, within twenty-four hours of such  
decision, prefer an appeal from such decision, to such authority  
as may be prescribed.

(4) Subject to the decision of the appellate authority  
the decision of the Veterinary Officer shall be final.

5. No person shall voluntarily cause a pregnant sheep mis-  
carry or induce premature birth of its young.

6. Government may, under special circumstances subject to  
such conditions as it may deem fit to impose, exempt any person  
or class of persons from all or any provisions of this Act.

7. A Veterinary Officer or any Gazetted Officer may enter  
and search' a slaughter-house or any other premises where he has  
reason to believe that an offence under this Act has been, is



being or is about to be committed and may seize any animal, carcass or meat in respect of which such offence has been, is being or is about to be committed, as the case may be.

8. qd) Whoever contravenes any provision of this Act [(other than the provisions of clause (c) of sub-section (2) of section 3)] or such of the rules made thereunder as may be prescribed, shall on first conviction, be punished with fine which may extend to \*[five thousand rupees] or with imprisonment for a term which may extend to \*[six months] or with both and on second or subsequent conviction, with imprisonment which may extend to 'Lone year], or with fine which may extend to °[ten

Substituted for the words "one month", ibid.

Substituted for the words "six month", ibid

Substituted for the words "five hundred", ibid

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thousand rupees] or with both.

'(d-A) Whoever contravenes the provisions of clause (c) of sub-section (2) of section 3 shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, or with fine or with both, and the court trying such contravention shall direct that any animal slaughtered in contravention of the provisions of the said clause shall be forfeited to Government.]

(2) An attempt to contravene any provisions of this Act or the rules as aforesaid and an abetment of such contravention shall be punished as an offence under this Act.

(3) Any person who is in possession of the premises where an offence under this Act has been or is being committed may be presumed to have abetted that offence.

9. The court trying an offence under this Act may direct that any animal, carcass or meat in respect of which the court satisfied that an offence under this Act has been committed, be forfeited to Government.

10. The court trying an offence under this Act may direct that an amount not exceeding twenty per cent of such sum as may be realized by way of fine or under section 517 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (V of 1898), on account of the sale or disposal otherwise of the animal, carcass or meat in respect of which an offence under this Act has been committed, be awarded to the person or persons supplying information relating to the commission of the offence.

11. Government may frame rules—

(i) to regulate the procedure for the disposal of animals, carcass or meat seized under this Act; and

(ii) generally to give effect to the provisions of this Act.

12. The Karachi Cattle Slaughter Control Act, 1950? is hereby repealed.

+ Sub-section (1-A) ins. by W.P. Ord. XXIV of 1965.

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ie. Act LXVI of 1950.