

AZAD JAMMU AND KASHMIR ECONOMY OF
FOOD ORDER, 1967

(No. H&P/SS/2866-97/67, Dated 6th May, 1967).

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3 of the West Pakistan Foodstuffs (Control) Act, 1958 as adapted in Azad Kashmir the Azad Government of the State of Jammu and Kashmir

is pleased to make the following Order, namely:-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Economy of Food Order, 1967.

(2) It extends to the whole of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir territory.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

2. In this Order, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context:

(a) "Act" means the West Pakistan Foodstuffs (Control) Act, 1958 (West Pakistan Act XX of 1958), as in force in Azad

Kashmir ;

(b) "catable" means any foodstuffs to which the provisions of the Act are applicable ;

(c) "host" means any person who entertains another person with eatables and includes a person staying:

(i) at the occasion of marriage of a female, at her house;
(ii) at the occasion of marriage of a male, at his house ;

(d) "Inspector" means a District Magistrate, Revenue Officer not below the rank of a Naib-Tehsildar, Police Officer not below the rank of a Sub-Inspector, within his Jurisdiction, and any other person designated as such by the District Magistrate.

(e) "Schedule" means a Schedule to this Order.

3. (1) Except with the previous sanction in writing of the Government no host shall distribute, serve or offer, or cause to

be distributed, served or offered any eatable except as mentioned in Schedule I and Schedule IT:

(a) at or in connection with any private function to more than twenty-five persons excluding the host or the hosts ; or

(b) in the case of a marriage ceremony to more than two hundred such persons.

(2) The restrictions contained in Paragraph (1) shall not apply to charitable distribution of eatables, including 'Niaz', 'Langer' or 'Tabaruk '.

(3) No host shall distribute serve or offer simultaneously all or any of the items mentioned in Schedule I and all or any of the items mentioned in Schedule IT,

4. The Government may, subject to such conditions as it may deem fit to impose, exempt any person or class of persons or any area from the operation of all or any of the provisions of this Order.

5. For the more effective enforcement of the provisions of clause (3) of this Order, any Inspector may:-

(a) enter any premises, vehicle or vessel;

(b) ask any person any necessary questions ; and

(c) search and, so far as may be necessary for that purpose, detain any person, vehicle, vessel, utensil or animal and may seize any eatables found in such premises or in such person's possession, or in or on such vehicle, vessel, utensil or animal in respect of which he has reason to believe that contravention of the provisions of clause (3) has been, is being or is about to be committed.

6. If any person contravenes the provisions of clause (3) of this Order he shall, as provided in section 6 of the Act, be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years or with fine or with both and the Court trying the contravention shall direct that the eatables in respect of which the Court is satisfied that the Order has been contravened, shall be forfeited to the Government unless, for reasons to be recorded in writing it is of the opinion that the direction should not be made in respect of the whole or, as the case may be a part of the eatables.

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SCHEDULE I

Aerated waters, fruit squashes, milk and other soft drinks.

Fresh and dry fruit and nuts.

Pans (betel leaves).

Ice cream.

Potatoes and potato preparations like potato chips, potato kabab and potato chat.

Fish.

Poultry or poultry preparations.

Gajar-ka-Halwa, or Kalakand or Resgullas.

Basin-ke-Pakaure.

SCHEDULE II

Rice (one course).

Meat curry or chicken curry or fish curry to which vegetables may or may not be added or cooked vegetables without meat or chicken or fish (one course).

Nan or baked bread or Tandoori Roti.

Sweet dish excluding sweet rice (one course).

Aerated water, fruit squashes and other soft drinks.

Curds (Dahi).

Pan (betel leaves).

Fresh and dry fruit and nuts,