

SIND ACT NO. OF 1977

THE ABKARI LAWS (SIND AMENDMENT) ACT, 1977

An Act to further amend the Sind Abkari Act, 1878, the Sind Consumption of Intoxicants Restriction Act, 1940 and the West Pakistan Prohibition of Opium Smoking Ordinance, 1960.

WHEREAS it is expedient to further amend the Sind Abkari Act, 1878, the Sind Consumption of Intoxicants Restriction Act, 1940 and the West Pakistan Prohibition of Opium Smoking Ordinance, 1960, in the manner hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Abkari Laws (Sind Amendment) Act, 1977.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. In the Sind Abkari Act, 1878, for section 56, the following shall be substituted:

“56. No offence punishable under this Act shall be tried by a Court other than the Court of the

Cognizance
of offence.

Magistrate of the First Class.”.

3. In the Sind Consumption of Intoxicants Restriction Act, 1940, for section 22, the following shall be substituted:—

Cognizance “22. (1) An offence under this Act shall be of offence. cognizable.

(2) No offence punishable under this Act shall be tried by a Court other than the Court of the Magistrate of the First Class.”.

4. In the West Pakistan Prohibition of Opium Smoking Ordinance, 1960, as applicable to the Province of Sind, for

section 16, the following shall be substituted:—

“16. No offence punishable under this Ordinance shall be tried by a Court other than the Court of the

Cognizance
of offence.

Magistrate of the First Class.”.

[6 May, 1977]

Preamble.

Short title and
commencement.

Amendment of
section 56 of Sind
Act V of 1878.

Amendment of
section 22 of Sind
Act IV of 1940.

Amendment of
section 16 of W.P.
Ordinance II of
1960.

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5. All cases relating to offences punishable under the Sind Transfer of cases.

ABKARI Act, 1878, the Sind Consumption of Intoxicants Restriction Act, 1940, and the West Pakistan Prohibition of Opium Smoking Ordinance, 1960, as applicable to the Province of Sind, and pending in the Courts of Sessions immediately before the coming into force of the Abkari Laws (Sind Amendment) Ordinance, 1977, except the cases fixed for arguments or judgment, shall stand transferred to the Courts of the Magistrate of the First Class having jurisdiction in such cases.

6. The Abkari Laws (Sind Amendment) Ordinance, 1977, is Repeal of Sind hereby repealed. Ordinance II of

1977.