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PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE NO. 1 REGARDING "THE POLICE ORDER (AMENDMENT) BILL 2024 (BILL NO.3 OF 2024)

The said Bill was referred to the Committee on 15.03.2024. The Committee considered the Bill in its meetings held on 06.05.2024, 21.05.2024, 22.05.2024 and 29.05.2024.

2. The following were present:

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1.	Mr Khurram Khan Virk, MPA (PP-48)	Convener
2.	Mr Mujtaba Shuja Ur Rehman	ex-officio Member
	Minister for Finance and Parliamentary Affairs	
	(Attended on 21.5.2024)	
3.	Mr Khalid Mahmood Ranjha, MPA (PP-42)	Member
4.	Rana Munawar Hussain, MPA (PP-78)	Member
5.	Mr Mohammad Arshad Malik, MPA (PP-200)	Member
	(Attended on 06.05.2024)	
6.	Mr Usama Leghari, MPA (PP-287)	Member
7.	Mr Muhammad Bilal Yamin, MPA (PP-6)	Member
	(Attended on 06.05.2024, 21.5.2024 & 29.05.2024)	
8.	Ahmer Bhatti, MPA (PP-165)	Member
	(Attended on 22.5.2024 & 29.05.2024)	
9.	Rai Muhammad Murtaza Iqbal, MPA (PP-203)	Member
	(Attended on 21.5.2024, 22.5.2024 & 29.05.2024)	
10.	Mr Qasim Nadeem, MPA (PP-199)	Member
	(Attended on 21.5.2024, 22.5.2024 & 29.05.2024)	
11.	Ms Sarah Ahmad, MPA (W-339)	Member
	(Attended on 06.05.2024, 21.5.2024 & 29.05.2024)	
12.	Ms Salma Butt, MPA (W-307)	Member
13.	Ms Kanwal Pervez Chaudhry, MPA (W-308)	On invitation
	(Attended on 06.05.2024, 21.5.2024 & 22.5.2024)	
14.	Mr Shahbaz Ahmad, MPA (PP-130)	On invitation
	(Attended on 21.5.2024, 22.5.2024 & 29.05.2024)	
15.	Ms Amina Hassan, MPA (W-325)	On invitation
	(Attended on 29.05.2024)	

- 3. Mr Adnan Shehzad Khan, Additional Secretary (Police), Government of the Punjab, Home Department and Mr Muhammad Asif Balal Lodhi, Secretary, Law & Parliamentary Affairs Department represented their Departments. Ch Amer Habib, Secretary General, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab functioned as Secretary to the Committee.
- 4. The Committee, after hearing the Members, having view point of the Administrative Department as well as the Law & Parliamentary Affairs Department and discussing various points, by majority of votes decided to recommend that the Bill may be passed by the Assembly subject to the following amendments:

AMENDMENTS IN THE BILL

1) Long Title and Preamble

In the Long Title and Preamble, the word "further" be added before the words "to amend".

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2) Clause 1

In Clause 1, the expression "(Amendment)" be substituted with the expression "(Punjab Amendment)" and the figure "2023", be substituted with the figure "2024".

3) Clause 2

In Clause 2, in the proposed Article 18B to the Principal Order:

- i) in sub-article (3), para (j) be omitted and the remaining paras be renumbered accordingly;
- ii) for sub-article (4), the following be substituted:
 - "(4) The officers of the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police or Inspector shall be posted as the unit incharge in Organized Crime Unit who shall have the powers of an officer incharge of a police station as defined in clause (p) of section 4 of the Code."; and
- iii) after sub-article (6), the following new sub-article (7) be added:
 - "(7) Rule 21.35 of the Police Rules, 1934 is hereby repealed.".
- 5. A copy of the Bill as introduced in the Assembly is at Annexure-A and a copy of the Bill as recommended by the Committee is at Annexure-B.

Lahore:

May 29, 2024

(KHURRAM KHAN VIRK)

Convener

Special Committee No. 1

Lahore: *May 29, 2024*

(CH AMER HABIB)
Secretary General

(Bill as introduced in the Assembly)

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Bill

to amend the Police Order, 2002.

It is necessary to amend the Police Order, 2002 (C.E. Order No.22 of 2002) for the purposes hereinafter appearing.

Be it enacted by Provincial Assembly of the Punjab as follows:

- 1. Short title and commencement.— (1) This Act may be cited as the Police Order (Amendment) Act 2023.
 - (2) This Act shall come into force at once.

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- 2. Insertion of Article 18B in Order No.22 of 2002.— In the Police Order 2002 (C.E. Order No.22 of 2002), after Article 18A, the following shall be inserted:
 - "18B. Organized Crime Unit.— (1) An Organized Crime Unit shall be established in every District to take action under the Code regarding the cases to be transferred to it under sub-article (3).
 - (2) The Organized Crime Unit, in the Capital City District, shall be headed by the Deputy Inspector General of Police and, in a City District or District, by the Senior Superintendent of Police or Superintendent of Police, as the case may be.
 - (3) The Head of District Police may transfer the following categories of cases to the Organized Crime Unit:
 - (a) kidnapping for ransom;
 - (b) extortion;
 - (c) dacoity;
 - (d) robbery;
 - (e) dacoity with murder;
 - (f) robbery with murder;
 - (g) theft of motor vehicle;
 - (h) house breaking in order to commit offence;
 - (i) trafficking of narcotic drugs;
 - (j) human trafficking;
 - (k) inter-provincial or inter-district gangs involved in crimes against property; and
 - (I) high profile cases, as determined by the Head of District Police.
 - (4) All police officers posted in the Organized Crime Unit shall have powers of an officer incharge of a police station as defined in clause (p) of section 4 of the Code.
 - (5) The head of the Organized Crime Unit may constitute special investigation team or cell to work on different categories of cases.
 - (6) The Provincial Police Officer may, through a Standing Order, post such number of officers in the Organized Crime Unit, as he deems fit."
- 3. Repeal.— The Police Order (Amendment) Ordinance 2023 (II of 2024) is hereby repealed.

ANNEXURE - B

(Bill as recommended by the Special Committee No. 1)

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Bill

further to amend the Police Order, 2002.

It is necessary <u>further</u> to amend the Police Order, 2002 (C.E. Order No.22 of 2002) for the purposes hereinafter appearing.

Be it enacted by Provincial Assembly of the Punjab as follows:

- 1. Short title and commencement.— (1) This Act may be cited as the Police Order (Punjab Amendment) Act 2024.
 - (2) This Act shall come into force at once.
- 2. Insertion of Article 18B in Order No.22 of 2002.— In the Police Order 2002 (C.E. Order No.22 of 2002), after Article 18A, the following shall be inserted:
 - "18B. Organized Crime Unit. (1) An Organized Crime Unit shall be established in every District to take action under the Code regarding the cases to be transferred to it under sub-article (3).
 - (2) The Organized Crime Unit, in the Capital City District, shall be headed by the Deputy Inspector General of Police and, in a City District or District, by the Senior Superintendent of Police or Superintendent of Police, as the case may be.
 - (3) The Head of District Police may transfer the following categories of cases to the Organized Crime Unit:
 - (a) kidnapping for ransom;
 - (b) extortion;
 - (c) dacoity;

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- (d) robbery;
- (e) dacoity with murder;
- (f) robbery with murder;
- (g) theft of motor vehicle;
- (h) house breaking in order to commit offence;
- (i) trafficking of narcotic drugs;
- (J) inter-provincial or inter-district gangs involved in crime against property; and
- (k) high profile cases, as determined by the Head of District Police.
- (4) The officers of the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police or Inspector shall be posted as the unit incharge in Organized Crime Unit who shall have the powers of an officer incharge of a police station as defined in clause (p) of section 4 of the Code.
- (5) The head of the Organized Crime Unit may constitute special investigation team or cell to work on different categories of cases.
- (6) The Provincial Police Officer may, through a Standing Order, post such number of officers in the Organized Crime Unit, as he deems fit.
- (7) Rule 21.35 of the Police Rules, 1934 is hereby repealed.".
- 3. Repeal.— The Police Order (Amendment) Ordinance 2023 (II of 2024) is hereby repealed.