

PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB

NOTIFICATION

October 29, 2016

No.PAP/Legis-2(135)/2016/1490. The Punjab Agriculture, Food and Drug Authority (Amendment) Bill 2016, having been passed by the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab on October 19, 2016, and assented to by the Governor of the Punjab on October 28, 2016, is hereby published as an Act of the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab.

THE PUNJAB AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND DRUG AUTHORITY (AMENDMENT) ACT 2016

ACT XLIII OF 2016

[First published, after having received the assent of the Governor of the Punjab, in the Gazette of the Punjab (Extraordinary) dated October 29, 2016.]

An Act

to amend the Punjab Agriculture, Food and Drug Authority Act 2016.

It is necessary to amend the Punjab Agriculture, Food and Drug Authority Act 2016 (XXXII of 2016) for including the core departments as members of the Authority *inter alia* for effective representation and decision making by the Authority.

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

1. Short title and commencement.— (1) This Act may be cited as the Punjab Agriculture, Food and Drug Authority (Amendment) Act 2016.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment in section 3 of Act XXXII of 2016.— In the Punjab Agriculture, Food and Drug Authority Act 2016 (XXXII of 2016), in section 3, for subsections (3) and (4), the following shall be substituted:

“(3) The Authority shall consist of the Chairperson who shall be the Chief Minister or a Minister nominated by the Chief Minister and the following members:

- (a) Vice Chairperson;
- (b) Minister for Primary and Secondary Healthcare or Advisor to the Chief Minister for Primary and Secondary Healthcare;
- (c) Minister for Agriculture;
- (d) Minister for Food;
- (e) Additional Chief Secretary to the Government;
- (f) Chairman, Planning and Development Board of the Government;
- (g) Secretary to the Government, Finance Department;
- (h) Secretary to the Government, Primary and Secondary Healthcare Department;
- (i) Secretary to the Government, Specialized Healthcare and Medical Education Department;

- (j) Secretary to the Government, Agriculture Department;
- (k) Secretary to the Government, Food Department;
- (l) Director General, Punjab Forensic Science Agency;
- (m) not more than five scientists including at least one female scientist, if available, in the relevant field from public or private sector; and
- (n) Director General (Member/Secretary).

(4) If a member mentioned at clauses (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j) or (k) of subsection (3) is unable to attend a meeting for reasons beyond his control, he may depute an officer of his department not below the rank of an Additional Secretary to attend the meeting.”

3. Repeal.— The Punjab Agriculture, Food and Drug Authority (Amendment) Ordinance, 2016 (XVII of 2016) is hereby repealed.

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Secretary