

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION AND SOCIAL SAFETY ON "THE PAKISTAN BAIT-UL-MAL (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2021"

I, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety have the honour to present this report on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Act, 1991 [The Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (Amendment) Bill, 2021] (Government Bill), referred to the Standing Committee on 29th September 2021.

2. The Committee comprises the following:

1. Ms. Saira Bano	Chairperson
2. Mr. Sajid Khan	Member
3. Malik Sohail Khan	Member
4. Mr. Sadaqat Ali Abbasi	Member
5. Ch. Muhammad Hamid Hameed	Member
6. Malik Umar Aslam Khan	Member
7. Ch. Muhammad Shahbaz Babar	Member
8. Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai	Member
9. Syed Abrar Ali Shah	Member
10. Mr. Zulfiqar Ali Behan	Member
11. Syed Mehmood Shah	Member
12. Ms. Shagufta Jumani	Member
13. Mr. Salahuddin	Member
14. Ms. Kiran Imran Dar	Member
15. Ms. Syma Nadeem	Member
16. Ms. Nuzhat Pathan	Member
17. Ms. Aliya Hamza Malik	Member
18. Mrs. Farukh Khan	Member
19. Minister In-Charge, Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety Division	Ex-Officio Member

3. The Standing Committee on Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety considered the Bill as introduced in the National Assembly, placed at (Annex-A), in its meetings held on 28th January 2022, 15th February 2022, 7th March 2022 and 6th July 2022 and recommended that the Bill, as introduced, may be passed by the Assembly.

Sd/-
(TAHIR HUSSAIN)

Secretary
Islamabad, the 13th September 2022

Sd/-
(SAIRA BANO)
Chairperson

[AS REPORTED BY THE COMMITTEE]

A

Bill

Further to amend the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Act, 1991

Whereas it is expedient further to amend the Pakistan *Bait-ul-Mal* Act, 1991 (1 of 1992) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and commencement.**- (1) This Act shall be called the Pakistan *Bait-ul-Mal* (Amendment) Act, 2021.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

(2). **Amendment in section 4, Act I of 1992.**- In the *Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal* Act, 1991 (1 of 1992), hereinafter called as the said Act, in section 4, in clause (d), after the word "accommodation", the expression "by whatever name called for, such as *Panahgah*, etc." shall be inserted.

(3) **Amendment in section 5A, Act I of 1992.**- In the said Act, in section 5A, in the rider clause, after the word "shall", the expression "for the purposes of this Act," shall be inserted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Ehsaas Strategy under initiative No.38 inter-alia include Establishment of Panagah in major cities of Pakistan being the fact leading to Amendments in Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Act 1992.

2. In pursuance of section 4 of Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Act, the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal provides residential accommodation and necessary facilities including financial assistance to destitute and needy widows, orphans, invalid, infirm and other needy person. As per record the word "Panagah" is not specifically mentioned in the Governing Law of PBM.

3. Hence, in order to ensure sustainability of aforementioned social services through Panagah, a suitable legal framework and insertion is deemed necessary to be placed for catering all its operation throughout the country. In order to address these issues following three amendments are inevitable to be made in the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Act 1992:-

- i. Amendment in definition clause of Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Act 1992 by inserting of clause (f) "Accommodation include Panagah for the needy".
- ii. Words "Including Panagah" to be inserted in section 4(d) after words residential accommodation.
- iii. In sub section (b) of section 5(a) words "for all purpose as mentioned in this Act" to be inserted after words work and budget.

(IMRAN KHAN)
Minister in-Charge