

A
BILL

to provide for the establishment of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Youth Development Commission and to give vision, directions and institutional roadmap for the empowerment of youth in the social, economic and political life, in the Province of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the establishment of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Youth Development Commission and to give vision, directions and institutional roadmap for the empowerment of youth in the social, economic and political life, in the Province of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and for matters ancillary thereof and incidental thereto;

It is hereby enacted as follows:

1. **Short title, extent and commencement.**---(1) This Act may be called the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Youth Development Commission Act, 2019.

(2) It shall extend to the whole of the Province of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Definitions.**---In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions shall have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say-

- (a) "Chairperson" means the Chairperson of the Commission;
- (b) "Commission" means the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Youth Development Commission, established under section 3 of this Act;
- (c) "Government" means the Government of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa;
- (d) "member" means the member of the Commission;
- (e) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules or regulations;
- (f) "Province" means the Province of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa;
- (g) "regulations" mean regulations made under this Act; and
- (h) "rules" mean rules made under this Act.

3. **Establishment of the Commission.**---(1) Soon after the commencement of this Act, Government shall, by notification, for the purposes of section 6 of this Act, establish a Commission, to be known as the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Youth Development Commission.

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(2) The Tourism, Sports, Culture, Archaeology, Museums and Youth Affairs Department shall provide secretariat support to the Commission.

4. **Composition of the Commission.**---(1) The Commission shall comprise of the following:

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| (a) | Minister for Tourism, Sports, Culture, Archaeology, Museums and Youth Affairs, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa; | Chairperson |
| (b) | a Member of the National Assembly, from treasury benches, to be nominated by the Speaker of the National Assembly; | Member |
| (c) | a Member of the Provincial Assembly, from treasury benches, to be nominated by the Speaker of the Provincial Assembly; | Member |
| (d) | Secretary to Government, Tourism, Sports, Culture, Archaeology, Museums and Youth Affairs Department; | Member |
| (e) | the District Nazim, Peshawar; | Member |
| (f) | a Tehsil Nazim, Peshawar, to be nominated by the District Nazim, Peshawar; | Member |
| (g) | a representative of youth, to be nominated by the Chairperson; | Member |
| (h) | a head of a youth organization, to be nominated by the Chairperson; | Member |
| (i) | a head of a civil society organization, to be nominated by the Chairperson; | Member |
| (j) | a head of a corporate body, having active participation in affairs relating to youth, to be nominated by the Chairperson; | Member |
| (k) | a renowned academic, to be nominated by the Chairperson; | Member |
| (l) | a representative of media, to be nominated by the Chairperson; | Member |
| (m) | a religious scholar, to be nominated by the Chairperson; and | Member |
| (n) | Director, Youth Affairs, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. | Member-cum-Secretary. |

(2) The Commission may appoint such number of members as co-opted, as may be required.

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(3) Members of the Commission, other than ex-officio member, shall hold office for a period of three years and may serve on the Commission for more than two consecutive terms.

5. Meetings of the Commission.---(1) The Commission shall meet on quarterly basis at such time and place and observe such rules of business as may be prescribed:

Provided that the Chairperson may call an earlier meeting of the Commission, as and when required.

(2) The Chairperson shall preside over the meeting and in his absence any other ex-officio member of the Commission, to be elected by the present members, shall preside over the meeting.

(3) Six members, including at least three ex-officio members, shall constitute quorum for a meeting of the Commission.

(4) All decisions in a meeting shall be taken by majority of votes and the Chairperson shall have the casting vote in case of equality of votes.

(5) The Chairperson may remove any member, nominated by him, during the tenure of his office in the manner as may be prescribed.

(6) Any vacancy caused due to death, resignation or removal of a member, other than an ex-officio member, shall be filled in by the Chairperson within one month time through appointment of another person as member and such appointee shall hold such office for the unexpired term of his predecessor. In case of resignation or removal, a member shall hold his office till the appointment of new member.

(7) Any member other than ex-officio members may resign from his office by tendering his resignation to the Chairperson.

6. Powers and functions of the Commission.---(1) For the purpose of this Act, the Commission shall-

- (a) give vision, strategic directions and institutional roadmap for the empowerment of youth in the social, economic and political life of the youth in the Province;
- (b) monitor achievement of strategies and the progress of implementation of the youth policy;
- (c) suggest or recommend, from time to time, to Government, improvements in the youth policy, made by Government;
- (c) support the Tourism, Sports, Culture, Archaeology, Museums and Youth Affairs Department, to build public-private partnerships;
- (d) facilitate adequate resources and outreach to private and social sectors to achieve the mission, including assisting in fund raising for youth development in the Province;
- (e) maintain transparency and ethical standards in the Province, in matters relating to youth;

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- (f) review annual report on the status of youth in the Province to be submitted by the Directorate and advise on way ahead;
- (g) recommend measures to Government for the purpose of implementation; and
- (h) perform any other function, as assigned to it by Government.

7. **Committees.**---The Commission may constitute such committees as it deems necessary and delegate any of its powers and functions or assign duties in connection to its powers and functions to such Committees, as the Commission may deem necessary for giving effect to the provisions of this Act.

8. **Annual progress report.**---(1) The Commission shall prepare an annual progress report at the end of each financial year, within one month and not later than three months from the closing date of the financial year, and shall circulate it to all the members of the Commission.

(2) The report as circulated shall be considered in the coming meeting of the Commission and after approval shall be submitted to the Provincial Assembly for appraisal.

9. **Honorarium.**---The Members of the Commission, including the co-opted Members, may be entitled to such honorarium , as may be determined by the Tourism, Sports, Culture, Archaeology, Museums and Youth Affairs Department, from time to time.

10. **Power to make rules.**---Government may make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

It is to provide for the establishment of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Youth Development Commission and to give vision, directions and institutional roadmap for the empowerment of youth in the social, economic and political life, in the Province of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Hence, this Bill.

Peshawar,
dated the
, 2019.

MINISTER-IN-CHARGE.

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