

A
Bill

further to amend the Land Acquisition Act, 1894.

Preamble.--- WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 (Act No. I of 1894) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted by the Provincial Assembly of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa as follows:

1. **Short title and commencement.**--- (1) This Act may be called the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Land Acquisition (Amendment) Act, 2020.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Addition of new section 11-C to the Act No. I of 1894.**--- In the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 (Act I of 1894), after the existing section 11-B, the following new section 11-C shall be added, namely:

"11-C Acquisition in newly merged areas.--- Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or any other law for the time being in force, in the Merged Districts as defined in paragraph (c) of Article 246 of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, where no record of rights exists, the land acquisition and subsequent determination of price shall be made, on the basis of prevailing local customs, traditions and usages regarding determination of ownership of land and its sale or purchase, including but not limited to qaumi commission of elders of the locality, nikat or private negotiation where the ownership is undisputed, in the manner as may be prescribed."

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

It is desirable to amend the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 (Act No. I of 1994). Hence this Bill.

Peshawar,

Dated the 13/12/2020


MINISTER-IN-CHARGE