



## THE NATIONAL BOOK FOUNDATION ACT, 1972



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<sup>1</sup>ACT NO. XIX OF 1972

[24th September, 1972]

## **An Act to provide for the establishment of a Foundation for making books available at moderate prices.**

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the establishment of a Foundation for making books available at moderate prices, and for matters ancillary thereto;

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

**1. Short title, extent and commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the National Book Foundation Act, 1972.

(2) It extends to the whole of Pakistan.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Definitions.** In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—

(a) "books" shall include text books, reference books and other books on religion and other books and reading material for use by students and the general public; and

(b) "Foundation" means the Foundation established under this Act.

**3. Establishment of the Foundation.**—(1) As soon as may be after the commencement of this Act, the Federal Government may, for the purpose of making books available at moderate prices, by notification in the official Gazette, establish a National Book Foundation, hereinafter referred to as the Foundation.

(2) The Foundation shall be a body corporate having perpetual succession and a common seal with power to acquire, hold and dispose of property, both movable and immovable.

**4. Constitution of the Foundation.**—(1) The management, overall control and supervision of the affairs of the Foundation shall vest in a Board of Governors consisting of the following members, namely:—

(1) the Minister for Education and Provincial Coordination, who shall also be the Chairman of the Board;

(2) the Secretary, Ministry of Education and Provincial Coordination;

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<sup>1</sup>For statement of objects and reasons, see Gaz., of P., 1972 Ext. Pt. III, p. 435.