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¹ACT NO. L OF 1950

[23rd October, 1950]

An Act to constitute a Pakistan Territorial Force.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the constitution of a Pakistan Territorial Force and for its administration and discipline ;

¹ For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Gaz. of P., 1950, Pt. V, p. 206.

The Act has been applied-

(i) to Baluchistan, with effect from the 23rd October, 1950, see Gaz. of P., 1952, P. I, p. 119 ;

(ii) in the Federated Areas of Baluchistan, see Gaz. of P., 1953, Pt. I, p. 152.

The Act has been extended to-

(i) the Leased Areas of Baluchistan, see the Leased Areas (Laws) Order, 1950 (G. G. O. 3 of 1950);

(ii) the Khairpur State, see the Khairpur (Federal Laws) (Extension) Order, 1953 (G. G. O. 5 of 1953); and

(iii) the State of Bahawalpur, see the Bahawalpur (Extension of Federal Laws) Order, 1953 (G. G. O. 11 of 1953).

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. Short title, extent and commencement.—(1) This Act may be called the Pakistan Territorial Force Act, 1950.

(2) It extends to the whole of Pakistan, and applies to persons enrolled in the Pakistan Territorial Force wherever they may be.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

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

“enrolled” means enrolled or re-enrolled in the Pakistan Territorial Force under this Act;

“non-commissioned officer” means a person holding non-commissioned rank in the Pakistan Territorial Force, and includes an acting non-commissioned officer;

“officer” means a commissioned officer or a junior commissioned officer;

“prescribed” means prescribed by rules made under this Act.

3. Constitution of Pakistan Territorial Force. There shall be raised and maintained in the manner hereinafter provided a force to be designated the Pakistan Territorial Force:

Provided that the ¹[Federal Government] shall establish all or any of the branches of the Force as circumstances may permit from time to time.

4. Constitution and disbandment of units.—(1) The ¹[Federal Government] may constitute any corps or unit of the Pakistan Territorial Force and may disband or reconstitute any corps or unit so constituted.

(2) The [Federal Government] may constitute for any Province, ²* * * ³* * * a university

¹ Subs. by F.A.O. 1975. Art. 2 and Table for “Central Government”.

² The words “the [Federal Territory of Karachi]” have been omitted by A.O., 1964, Art. 2 and Sch. The words in crotchets were subs. by the Repealing and Amending Ordinance, 1961 (I of 1961), s. 3. and 2nd Sch., for “Capital of the Federation”.

³ The words “or an Acceding State” omitted by the Federal, Laws (Revision and Declaration) Ordinance, 1981 (27 of 1981) s. 3 and 2nd Sch.

corps consisting of one or more units of the Territorial Force, for the appointment thereto of students of, and other persons connected with, a university established by law in Pakistan, or colleges affiliated to such a university, and may disband or reconstitute any unit so constituted.

5. Classes of officers.—(1) There shall be the following classes of officers in the Pakistan Territorial Force, namely:—

- (a) commissioned officers, and
- (b) junior commissioned officers.

(2) An officer shall be deemed to be enrolled in the Pakistan Territorial Force for so long as he holds a commission in that Force.

6. Enrolment.—(1) Any male person who is a citizen of, or is domiciled in, Pakistan ¹*
* * may offer himself for enrolment in the Pakistan Territorial Force, and any such person who satisfies the prescribed conditions may be enrolled in the prescribed manner for such period, not exceeding six years, as may be prescribed.

(2) An applicant for enrolment may apply to be enrolled for service in any particular branch, corps or unit.

7. Appointment to corps or unit.—(1) Every person enrolled shall without unnecessary delay be appointed in the prescribed manner to a corps or unit constituted under section 4.

(2) Any person who has been enrolled for service in any particular branch, corps or unit shall be appointed to a corps or unit of that branch or to that corps or unit, as the case may be.

8. Transfer and attachment.—(1) Any person appointed to a corps or unit under section 7 may be transferred, whether on disbandment of the corps or unit or otherwise,

¹ The words “ or an Acceding State” Omitted by the Federal Laws (Revision and Declaration) Ordinance, 1981 (27 of 1981), s. 3 and 2nd Schedule.

to another corps or unit of the same branch of the Pakistan Territorial Force, in such manner as may be prescribed.

(2) Any person enrolled may be attached at his own request to any corps or unit of the Pakistan Territorial Force or to any unit of the Pakistan Army.

9. Change of resident.—(1) Any enrolled person who changes his residence otherwise than temporarily shall inform the prescribed authority of his new residence.

(2) The prescribed authority on being so informed may, subject to the provisions of section 8, transfer such person from the corps or unit in which he is serving to another corps or unit.

10. Discharges. Every person enrolled shall be entitled to receive his discharge from the Pakistan Territorial Force on the expiration of the period for which he was enrolled and any such person may, before the expiration of that period, be discharged from the said Force by such authority and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, and shall be so discharged on a recommendation of the officer commanding the unit in this behalf:

Provided that no person enrolled who is for the time being engaged in military service under the provisions of this Act shall be entitled to receive his discharge before the termination of such service.

11. Liability to serve and perform military service.—(1) Every person enrolled shall, subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, be bound to serve in any corps or unit of the Pakistan Territorial Force to which he has been appointed or transferred, or is for the time being attached, and shall be subject to all rules and regulations that may be made under this Act relating to such corps or unit.

(2) Every person enrolled in a corps or unit other than a university corps or unit shall be liable to perform military service—
