THE BALOCHISTAN REQUISITIONED LAND (CONTINUANCE) ACT, 1958

(W.P. Act XXX of 1958)

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¹ For statement of objects and reasons, see W.P. Gazette (Extraordinary), dated 27th January, 1957, pp. 264 and 265. This Act was passed by the W.P. Assembly on 29th March, 1958; assented to by the Governor of W.P. on 19th April, 1958; and, published in the W.P. Gazette (Extraordinary), dated 24th April, 1958, pages 683-87.

² Subs. by Baln. A.O. 1975

³ Spelling of the word "Baluchistan", wherever it appears in this Act, is corrected by insertion of letter "o" instead of "u", as per Government of Balochistan, S&GAD's Notification No. SORI (4) 6/ S&GAD-89, dated 18th June, 1989.

An Act to provide for the continuance of certain powers in relation to requisitioned land.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the continuance of certain powers in relation to requisitioned land;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

Short title, extent and commencement.

- 1. (1) This Act may be called the ²[Balochistan] Requisitioned Land (Continuance) Act, 1958.
- (2) It extends to the whole of ²[Balochistan] except [* * *] [the Tribal Areas].
 - (3) It shall come into force at once.

Definitions.

- 2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context—
 - (i) "Government" means the Government of ²[Balochistan];
 - (ii) "Requisitioned land" means immovable property requisitioned under the rules made under the Defence of India Act, 1939, which immediately before the commencement of this Act continues to be under requisition; and
 - (c) "State" means the [Central] or the Provincial Government, as the case may be, for whom any land has been requisitioned or is acquired.

Continuance of requisitions.

3. Notwithstanding the expiration of the Defence of India Act, 1939, and the rules made thereunder, the repeal of the Requisitioned Land (Continuance of Powers) Ordinance, 1946, the repeal of the Requisitioned Land (Continuance of Powers) Act, 1947, the expiration of the Requisitioned Land (Continuance of Powers) Ordinance, 1955, and the expiry of the West Pakistan Requisitioned Land (Continuance of Powers) Act, 1957, all requisitioned lands shall continue to be subject to requisition and the Provincial Government may use or deal with any requisitioned land in such manner as may appear to it to be expedient:

Provided that the Provincial Government may at any time release from requisition any requisitioned land.

Release from requisition.

- 4. (1) Where any requisitioned land is to be released from requisition, the Government may, after making such inquiry, if any, as it considers necessary, specify by order in writing the person to whom possession of the land shall be given.
- (2) The delivery of possession of the requisitioned land to the person specified in an order made under sub-section (1) shall be a full discharge of the State from all liability in respect of such delivery, but shall not prejudice any rights in respect of the land which any other person may be entitled by due process of law to enforce against the person to whom