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**AN**
**ORDINANCE**

*to amend the Punjab Local Government Act 2013*.

**Whereas** it is expedient further to amend the Punjab Local Government Act 2013 (XVIII of 2013) for purposes hereinafter appearing;

**And whereas** Provincial Assembly of the Punjab is not in session and Governor of the Punjab is satisfied that the circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action;

**Now, therefore,** in exercise of powers conferred under clause (1) of Article 128 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Governor of the Punjab is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:

**1. Short title and commencement**.– (1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Punjab Local Government (Fourth Amendment) Ordinance 2013.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment in section 2 of Act XVIII of 2013**.– In the Punjab Local Government Act 2013 (XVIII of 2013), hereinafter referred to as "the said Act", in section 2, after clause (lll), the following new clause (lll-a) shall be inserted:

"(lll-a) "ward" means a ward of a Union Council or, as the case may be, that of a Municipal Committee;".

**3. Amendment in section 8 of Act XVIII of 2013**.– In the said Act, in section 8, after subsection (2), the following new subsections (3) and (4) shall be inserted:

"(3) The Government shall, in the prescribed manner, delimit a Union Council into six wards for the election of members on general seats and into two wards, consisting of three adjoining wards of the Union Council, for the election of the two seats reserved for women.

(4) A ward shall, as far as possible, consist of a part of a village, one or more adjoining villages and, in case of an urban area, a part of a census block, census block or adjoining census blocks and, as far as possible, the population of wards shall be uniform."

**4. Amendment in section 13 of Act XVIII of 2013**.– In the said Act, for section 13, the following shall be substituted:

"**13. Union Council**.– (1) A Union Council shall consist of directly elected Chairman and Vice Chairman, as joint candidates, six general members, one from each ward of the Union Council, and the following directly elected members on the reserved seats:

(a) two women members;

(b) one peasant member in a rural Union Council or one worker member in an urban Union Council;

(c) one youth member; and

(d) one non-Muslim member.

(2) For purposes of the election of the Chairman and Vice Chairman and the members mentioned in clauses (b), (c) and (d) of subsection (1), the entire Union Council shall be one ward and for election of the women members mentioned in clause (a) of that subsection, a Union Council shall be two wards consisting of three adjoining wards of a Union Council."

**5. Amendment in section 23 of the Act XVIII of 2013.-** In the said Act, in section 23:

(a) for subsection (1), the following shall be substituted:

**"**(1) The Returning Officer shall, before such time as the Election Commission may fix, submit to the District Returning Officer a list of polling stations he proposes to provide in a ward for purposes of election."; and

(b) for subsection (3), the following shall be substituted:

"(3) The Returning Officer shall establish in each ward, a polling station or polling stations according to the final list published under subsection (2)."

**6. Amendment in section 27 of the Act XVIII of 2013.-** In the said Act, in section 27, in subsection (1) for clause (c), the following shall be substituted:

"(c) is enrolled as a voter in the electoral rolls of the ward."

**7. Amendment in section 32 of the Act XVIII of 2013.-** In the said Act, in section 32:

(a) for sub section (4), the following shall be substituted:

"(4) If a member of a Union Council is elected as Vice Chairman of the Union Council under subsection (3) or the office of the directly elected member of the Union Council, for any reason, falls vacant during the term of office of the Union Council, the new member shall be elected in the prescribed manner within one year from the date such vacancy is notified and he shall, subject to this Act, hold office for the remaining term of the Union Council."; and

(b) for sub section (6), the following shall be substituted:

"(6) If the vacancy in the office of a directly elected member of a Union Council or a Municipal Committee occurs within one year of the expiry of the term of the Union Council or, as the case may be, the Municipal Committee, the vacancy shall not be filled."

**8. Amendment in First Schedule of Act XVIII of 2013**.– In the said Act, in the First Schedule, for Part-I, the following shall be substituted:

"**PART-I**

| **Union Council** | **Mode of Election** | **Membership** |
|---|---|---|
| | Direct | Chairman and Vice Chairman, as joint candidates. |
| | Direct | Six general members. |
| | Direct | Two women members. |
| | Direct | One peasant or worker member. |
| | Direct | One youth member. |
| | Direct | One non-Muslim member." |