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Law, Justice, Parliamentary Affairs and Human Rights Department

**“Muzaffarabad”**  
**Dated: 14.12.2016**

No.LD/Ligs-Act/234-43/2016 The following Act of Assembly received the assent of the President on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of December 2016, is hereby published for general information.

[Act XXIX of 2016]

**An**  
**ACT**

Further to amend the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Service Tribunals Act, 1975.

**Whereas**, it is expedient further to amend the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Service Tribunal Act, 1975 (Act XXII of 1975), for the purposes hereinafter appearing:

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title, Extent and Commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Service Tribunals (Amendment) Act, 2016.  
(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of Section 3, Act XXII of 1975.**- In the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Service Tribunals Act 1975 (Act XXII of 1975), in section 3, following amendments shall be made:-

(i) The sub-Section (3), shall be substituted as under'

“(3 A Tribunal shall consist of,-

- (a) a Chairman, being a person, who is a state subject and is not less than 45 years of age, and he has.
  - (i) for a period of or for periods aggregating, not less than ten years been an advocate of the High Court of Azad Jammu and Kashmir or High Court in Pakistan; or
  - (ii) ten years experience of judicial service having at least three years service as a District and Sessions Judge.

**Explanation.-** In computing the period during which a person has been an advocate of a high Court or held judicial office, there shall be included any period during which he has held judicial office after he become an advocate or, as the case may be, the period during which he has been an advocate after having held judicial office.

- (b) One or more members having qualification as prescribed under sub-Section (4)”
- (ii) Sub-section (4) shall be substituted as under;

“(4) (a) The Chairman of a Tribunal shall be appointed for a period of three years by the President on the advice of the Prime Minister, with the Consultation of Chief Justice of Azad Jammu and Kashmir and Chief Justice of High Court on such terms and Conditions as may be determined; and

(b) the Member of a tribunal shall be appointed by the President for the period of three years, with the consultation of Chief Justice of Azad Jammu

