

## WEST PAKISTAN HEMP DRUG RULES, 1967

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**Notification No. 4274/66-71-EXII.** With reference to the Government of West Pakistan, Excise and Taxation Department Notification No. 522/66/1043/EXII, dated 8th June 1966, and exercise of the powers conferred by clause (c) of sub-section (2) of section 35 of the Sind Abkari Act, 1878, the Governor of West Pakistan is pleased to make the following rules, namely:---

1. (1) These rules may be called the West Pakistan Hemp Drug Rules, 1967.
- (2) They shall apply to the Divisions of Karachi, Hyderabad and Khairpur.
2. In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context the following expression shall have the meaning hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say:---
  - (i) 'Act' means the Sind Abkari Act, 1878;
  - (ii) 'Director Excise and Taxation' and 'District Excise and Taxation Officer' respectively mean the Director, Excise and Taxation of the Region and the District Excise and Taxation Officer of the District in which the person permitted to import hemp drug under these rules, holds a vend license to sell hemp drug;
  - (iii) 'Government' means the Government of West Pakistan;
  - (iv) 'hemp drug'; means bhang;
  - (v) 'import' and 'export' respectively mean the import into the export from any of the areas to which these rules apply, of hemp drug;
  - (vi) 'importer' means the person who has been permitted to import hemp drug under these rules;
  - (vii) 'transport' means a person who has been permitted to transport hemp drug under these rules.
3. Any person licensed to sell hemp drug, wholesale or retail, in the areas to which these rules apply, may import it from any part of the province of West Pakistan, subject to the following conditions:---
  - (a) The importer shall obtain an import permit from the Director, Excise and Taxation or the District Excise and Taxation Officer, permitting him to import hemp drug and specifying the place whence, and the route by which the hemp drug, is to be imported by him.

- (b) The importer shall obtain a pass to cover the import in the manner prescribed by the Board of Revenue, West Pakistan.
- (c) The importer shall pay such duty as may, from time to time, be imposed on the import of hemp drug under the provisions of the Act.
- (d) The importer shall not import hemp drug in quantities less than one maund at a time.
- (e) The hemp drug on being imported shall be taken, with bulk unbroken, direct to the officer as may be specified in the pass referred to in clause (b), and delivered there alongwith said pass to that Officer.

4. The hemp drug shall not be returned to the importer unless the import duty leviable thereon by the Government under the Act has been paid into the government Treasury and a receipt produced thereof.

5. After the import duty, as aforesaid, has been paid by the importer the hemp drug shall be removed from the place at which the said duty is paid in accordance with the provisions of these rules and subject to the payment of transport duty, if any, leviable thereon.

6. No hemp drug shall be exported to places outside the areas to which these rules apply.

7. Any person holding a licence for the wholesale or retail vend of hemp drug under the Act may transport it from one place of vend to another within the area in which he holds a licence, subject to the following conditions:---

- (a) He shall obtain from the Director, Excise and Taxation of District Excise and Taxation Officer a permit to transport the hemp drug.
- (b) He shall obtain from the Director, Excise and taxation, or District Excise and Taxation Officer, a pass authorising the transport of hemp drug described therein, by specified route, to the vend premises of a specified person licensed to sell hemp drug wholesale or retail.
- (c) He shall produce the hemp drug to be transported at the officer of the Director, Excise and taxation, or any officer authorised by him in this behalf to grant transport passes in the District from which the hemp drug is to be transported, for the purpose to weighment and calculation of duty.
- (d) He shall not transport hemp drug in quantities of less than one maund at a time.

8. Hemp drug in quantities of more than one seer in weight may be transported by a person licensed to sell it, wholesale or retail from one place of vend to another in the same

District, without transport pass and without payment of transport duty, subject to other conditions of the transporters license.

9. The import, export or transport of hemp drug on Government account may be made without any of the restrictions imposed by these rules, provided that in the case of transit of hemp drug by post, such import, export or transport shall be subject to the following conditions:-

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- (a) Import, export, or transport of hemp drug shall be made only by parcel post.
- (b) The parcel containing hemp drug shall be accompanied by a declaration stating the name or designation of the consignee and consignor, the contents of the parcel in detail and the indent number and date covering the transaction.
- (c) The consignee shall show distinctly in his account-books the name or designation of the consignor and the quantity of hemp drug sent to him from time to time by post.

10. Save as provided in rule 9, the import, export or transport of hemp into, from or within the areas to which these rules apply, shall be permitted only subject to the provisions of these rules.

11. A person licensed to sell hemp drug, wholesale or retail, in the areas to which these rules apply may possess hemp, drug in any quantity. No other person shall possess more than half a seer hemp drug at time.