

# THE PATENTS ORDINANCE, 2000

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#### ORDINANCE NO. LXI of 2000

[2nd December, 2000]

<sup>1</sup>[An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to patents in order to give effect in Pakistan to the provisions of the International Convention on Trade Related Intellectual Property Rights, 1994, in accordance with its objectives and principles.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend and consolidate the law relating to patents;]

AND WHEREAS the National Assembly and the Senate stand suspended in pursuance of the Proclamation of Emergency of the fourteenth day of October, 1999, and the Provisional Constitution Order No. 1 of 1999.

AND WHEREAS the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action;

NOW, THEREFORE, in pursuance of the Proclamation of Emergency of the fourteenth day of October, 1999, and the Provisional Constitution Order No. 1 of 1999, read with the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order No. 9 of 1999, and in exercise of all powers enabling him in that behalf, the President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:-

### **CHAPTER I**

#### **PRELIMINARY**

- **1. Short title, extent and commencement.-**(1) This Ordinance may be called the Patents Ordinance 2000.
  - (2) It extends to the whole of Pakistan.
- (3) It shall come into force at once except the provisions relating to examination, sealing, grant and post-grant matters of the patents relating to chemical products intended for use in agriculture and medicines, but excluding the grant of exclusive marketing rights therefore and mail box filings which shall come into force on and from the first day of January, 2005.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Subs. by the Patents (Amdt.) Ordinance, 2002 (95 of 2002), s. 2, for "long title and preamble."