



**GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA
EXCISE, TAXATION & NARCOTICS CONTROL DEPARTMENT**

Subject:- **KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA CONTROL OF NARCOTICS SUBSTANCES ACT, 2017.**

The decision regarding the immediate disposal of the "pending cases on provincialization of laws in the wake of 18th Amendment to the Constitution" was taken in the 55th Provincial Cabinet meeting held on 18.02.2013. The drafting of the legislative proposal and their vetting by the law Department was directed therein too.

2. A draft bill duly vetted by the Law Department was placed before the Provincial Cabinet. The decision of the Provincial Cabinet dated 24.01.2017 states that:

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After thorough discussion, it was decided to constitute a committee, and the item as discussed and approved with the direction that the Department must ensure inclusion of modern drugs like ICE etc. and differentiate between medical drugs and narcotics.

2. The Excise, Taxation and Narcotics Control Department notified a committee for the purpose. The advice/ clarification of the committee/ Health Department states that:-

Ice is mixture of substances that may adulterate with Narcotics drugs including Methamphetamine. The manufacturing import and sale of Narcotic drugs is covered under the Drugs Act 1976 wherein a separate schedule is specified in Drug Rules 1982 that encompasses special condition to obviate the chances of its misuse.

Promulgation of other law or placement these classes of drugs in other rules will lead duplication in function. However to curb the menace of sale and use of ICE, the same may declared as offence under the relevant law as crude form/mixture of substances that cause euphoria, mood elevation and other complications due to its withdrawal symptoms without

specifying a chemical composition drug which is already covered under a special law.

3. The Law Department has vetted draft bill which is being placed before Provincial Cabinet for approval in upcoming Cabinet meeting.