

**PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF SINDH
NOTIFICATION
KARACHI, THE 28TH SEPTEMBER, 2026.**

NO.PAS/LEGIS-B-27/2026- The Sindh Abkari (Amendment) Bill, 2026 having been passed by the Provincial Assembly of Sindh on 09th September, 2026 and assented to by the Governor of Sindh on 18th September, 2026 is hereby published as an Act of the Legislature of Sindh.

THE SINDH ABKARI (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2026.

SINDH ACT NO. XXIX OF 2026.

**AN
ACT**

to amend the Sindh Abkari Act, 1878.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Sindh Abkari Act, 1878, in the manner hereinafter appearing; **Preamble.**

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

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| 1. (1) This Act may be called the Sindh Abkari (Amendment) Act, 2026. | Short title and commencement. |
| (2) It shall come into force at once. | |
| 2. In the Sindh Abkari Act, 1878, hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 2, clauses (9), (9A) shall be omitted. | Amendment of section 2 of Sindh Act No. V of 1878. |
| 3. In the said Act, in Chapter IV (Cultivation, Manufacture and Possession), Chapter V (Sale), Chapter VI (Duties), and Chapter IX (Powers of Abkari Officers), all references relating to hemp, intoxicating drugs, cannabis and allied substances occurring therein shall be omitted and shall be deemed to be construed as excluded. | Amendment of Chapter V, Chapter VI and Chapter IX of Sindh Act No. V of 1878. |
| 4. In the said Act, in section 14, in sub-section (1), for the words “in that behalf by the collector”, the words “in that behalf by the Collector with the approval of the Provincial Government” shall be substituted. | Amendment of section 14 of Sindh Act No. V of 1878. |
| 5. In the said Act, after section 30, the following new section shall be added:- | Insertion of new section 30A and 30B in Sindh Act No. V of 1878. |
| “30A. Grant, renewal, cancellation, suspend or revocation of licence. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the Provincial Government shall have power to grant licenses of all excisable articles, including but not limited to the following:- | |

- (i) Ethanol / Rectified spirit;**
- (ii) Methanol;**

- (iii) Methylated / Denatured spirit; or
- (iv) Any other excisable article as may be notified by the Provincial Government.

(2) A license issued under this Act may be renewed by the Secretary of the Excise, Taxation & Narcotics Control Department or any officer authorized by him in this behalf or may be cancelled, suspended or revoked in case of any violation of the conditions of the license granted under this Act.

Provided further that no license shall be suspended, cancelled or revoked unless an opportunity of being heard is afforded to such licensee by the Secretary of the Excise, Taxation & Narcotics Control Department.

30-B. Penalties. Any person, who is operating the business of excisable articles referred to in sub-section (1) of section 30-A without license, shall be deemed to have violated the provisions of this Act and shall be punished in accordance with the provisions of the Sindh Control of Narcotic Substances Act, 2024.”.

**BY ORDER OF THE SPEAKER
PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF SINDH**

**G.M.UMAR FAROOQ
SECRETARY
PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF SINDH**