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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT (SC)

DECLARATION OF THE JAMMU KASHMIR NATIONAL FRONT (JKNF) AS AN "UNLAWFUL ASSOCIATION" UNDER THE UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES (PREVENTION) ACT, 1967

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The following Notification of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi No. S.O. 1296(E), dated the 12th March, 2024 is republished:-

S.O. 1296(E).—Whereas, the Jammu Kashmir National Front (hereinafter referred to as the JKNF), chaired by Nayeem Ahmad Khan is indulging in unlawful activities, which are prejudicial to the integrity, sovereignty, and security of the country:

And, whereas, members of the JKNF have remained involved in supporting terrorist activities and anti-India propaganda for fuelling secessionism in Jammu and Kashmir and providing logistic support to terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir;

And, whereas, the leaders and members of JKNF have been involved in mobilising violent protesters in various parts of Kashmir for perpetrating unlawful activities, including supporting terrorist activities, sustained stonepelting on Security Forces in Jammu and Kashmir;

And, whereas, JKNF has constantly asked the people of Kashmir to refrain from taking part in elections and thereby targeted and hampered the very basic constitutionally recognized fundamentals of Indian democracy;

And, whereas, the JKNF and its members by their activities show sheer disrespect towards the constitutional authority and constitutional set up of the country;

And whereas, JKNF is involved in promoting, aiding and abetting secession of Jammu and Kashmir from India by involving in anti-national and subversive activities; sowing seeds of dis-affection amongst people; exhorting people to destabilise law and order; encouraging the use of arms to separate Jammu and Kashmir from the Union of India; promoting hatred against established Government and giving clarion call to boycott elections on multiple occasions in Jammu and Kashmir;

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And, whereas, the Central Government is of the opinion that if there is no immediate curb or control of unlawful activities of the Jammu Kashmir National Front (JKNF), it will use this opportunity to –

- (i) continue with the anti-national activities which are detrimental to the territorial integrity, security and sovereignty of the country;
- (ii) continue advocating the secession of Jammu and Kashmir form the Union of India while disputing its accession to the Union of India; and
- (iii) continue propagating false narrative and anti-national sentiments among the people of Jammu and Kashmir with the intention to cause disaffection against India and disrupt public order;

And, whereas, the Central Government for the above mentioned reasons is firmly of the opinion that having regard to the activities of the Jammu Kashmir National Front (JKNF), it is necessary to declare the Jammu Kashmir National Front (JKNF) as an 'unlawful association' with immediate effect;

Now, Therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of the section 3 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 (37 of 1967), the Central Government hereby declares the Jammu Kashmir National Front (JKNF) as an unlawful association;

The Central Government, having regard to the above circumstances, is of firm opinion that it is necessary to declare the Jammu Kashmir National Front (JKNF) as an 'unlawful association' with immediate effect, and accordingly, in exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to sub-section (3) of section 3 of the said Act, the Central Government hereby directs that this notification shall, subject to any order that may be made under section 4 of the said Act, have effect for a period of five years from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

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PRAVEEN VASHISTA, Additional Secretary.

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K. NANTHAKUMAR, Secretary to Government.