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SUBJECT:

"THE BOOK ON "ISLAM, BELIEF AND PRACTICES FOR CAMBRIDGE O-LEVEL AND IGCSE ISLAMIVAT", WRITTEN BY YASMIN MALIK, PUBLISHED BY STAFONA BOOKS PUBLISHERS, BANNED BY PUNJAB CURRICULUM AND TEXTBOOK BOARD, LAHORE, ON THE BASIS OF FINDING OBJECTIONABLE CONTENTS ON PAGE 210,211,214-216 AND 218-220.

As reported by Mr. Ammar Yasir, Minister for Mines & Minerals through Resolution No.33 in the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab, the book on "Islam, Beliefs and Practices" wirtten by Yasmin Malik has ungraceful words on page no.210-220, which are causing derogation of Asahaba-i-Kraam(R.A). Such a book is hereby banned by the Punjab Curriculum and Textbook Board (PCTB), Lahore on the basis of having objectionable and controversial material therein, under Section (10) of the Punjab Curriculum and Textbook Board Act, 2015, which is reproduced below:-

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(1) No person shall, except with the prior approval of the Board, print, publish, sell or prescribe in an institution any textbook or supplementary material.

(2) An application for approval to print, publish, sell or prescribe in an institution a textbook or supplementary material shall be made in such manner and form and on the payment of such fee as may be prescribed.

(3) The Board may direct any person to amend, delete or withdraw any portion or the whole of curriculum, textbook or supplementary material.

(4) The Board may prohibit any person or agency from producing, printing, publishing, selling or using in an institution any textbook or supplementary material or any part of it.

(5) The Board shall not approve the printing, publication, selling or prescribing in an institution of any textbook or supplementary material which is or is likely to be detrimental for examination or assessment purposes, or which contains anything repugnant to the injunctions of Islam, or contrary to the integrity, defence or security of Pakistan or any part of Pakistan, public order or morality.

(6) If the Board issues a direction or prohibition under subsections (3) or (4) to a person or an agency, such person or agency shall, within the time specified by the Board, submit an implementation report to the Board.

2- The said book must not be used as textbook, supplementary reading material, reference book or guide book, etc. at any level in an institution public or private.

3- It is to be treated as most important / urgent & strict compliance be ensured.