

[NAME OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT] STREET LIGHTS BYELAWS, 2023

No. _____ In exercise of the powers conferred by section 203 read with sixth schedule of the Punjab Local Government Act, 2022 (Act XXXIII of 2022), the [Name of the Local Government], promulgates the following Street Lights Byelaws:

1. **Short title and commencement.** – (1) These Byelaws shall be cited as [Name of the Local Government] Street Lights Byelaws, 2023.

(2) These shall come into force at once and shall be applicable to the whole local area of [Name of the Local Government].

2. **Definitions –**

(1) The following words and expressions, wherever used in these Bye-laws, unless repugnant to the context, shall have the meaning assigned to them as defined hereunder:

(i) "**Act**" means the Punjab Local Government Act, 2022 (Act XXXIII of 2022);

(ii) "**Bye-laws**" means the [Name of Local Government] Street Lights Bye-laws, 2023;

(iii) "**Local Government**" means a Metropolitan Corporation, a District Council, or a Union Council promulgating these Bye-laws;

3. **Terms not defined** – A word or term used in these Bye-laws, but not defined, shall have the same meaning as in the Act or the relevant rules or bye-laws made thereunder.

4. **Installation and Maintenance:**

(1) The Local Government shall be responsible for the installation, operation, and maintenance of street lighting within its jurisdiction.

(2) Street lights shall be strategically placed to ensure proper illumination of roads, sidewalks, intersections, and public spaces.

(3) The Local Government shall regularly inspect and maintain street lights to ensure they are in proper working condition.

5. **Lighting Standards:**

(1) Street lights shall provide adequate illumination to ensure the safety and visibility of pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists.

(2) The lighting intensity, color temperature, and distribution shall be determined in accordance with industry standards and guidelines.

(3) High-quality and energy-efficient lighting technologies shall be prioritized to minimize energy consumption and reduce environmental impact.

6. **Design and Placement:**

- (1) Street lights shall be designed and placed to minimize light pollution and glare.
- (2) Lighting fixtures shall be positioned to prevent direct light spillage onto residential properties, windows, and other sensitive areas.
- (3) Proper consideration shall be given to the height, spacing, and orientation of street lights to ensure uniform lighting coverage.

7. Energy Efficiency:

- (1) The Local Government shall strive to adopt energy-efficient lighting technologies, such as LED lights, to reduce energy consumption and operational costs.
- (2) Timers, motion sensors, or other intelligent lighting controls shall be employed to optimize energy usage and ensure lights are only operational when needed.

8. Maintenance and Repair:

- (1) Street lights that are damaged, malfunctioning, or require repair shall be promptly attended to by the Local Government.
- (2) Regular maintenance schedules shall be established to ensure proactive inspection, cleaning, and replacement of faulty components or bulbs.
- (3) Adequate resources, including trained personnel and necessary equipment, shall be allocated for timely maintenance and repair work.

9. Public Reporting Mechanism:

- (1) The Local Government shall establish a mechanism for the public to report any issues or concerns related to street lighting, such as non-functioning lights or inadequate illumination.
- (2) Complaints received from the public shall be promptly addressed, and necessary actions taken to resolve the reported issues.

10. Collaboration and Monitoring:

- (1) The Local government shall collaborate with relevant government agencies, lighting experts, and community stakeholders to ensure effective implementation and monitoring of street lighting.
- (2) Regular performance assessments and audits shall be conducted to evaluate the efficiency, effectiveness, and compliance of street lighting systems.

11. Financial Sustainability:

- (1) The Local Government shall develop a sustainable funding mechanism to support the installation, operation, and maintenance of street lighting infrastructure.

(2) Consideration shall be given to exploring alternative funding sources, such as public-private partnerships or energy-saving initiatives, to reduce the financial burden on the Local Government.