CABINET RESOLUTION NO.33 OF 2022 CONCERNING WORK INJURIES AND OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES

The Cabinet:

- Having reviewed the constitution
- Federal Law No.(1) of 1972 on the competencies of the Ministries and Powers of the Ministers and the amendments thereof,
- Federal Law No. (13) of 2022 concerning Public Health
- Federal Decree-Law No. 33 of 2021 concerning Regulation of Labour Relations
- Cabinet Resolution No. (1) of 2022 concerning the executive regulations for Federal Decree-Law No.33 of 2021 regarding the regulation of labor relations
- Upon the proposal of the Minister of Human Resources and Emiratisation, and the approval of the Council of Ministers,

Has Resolved:

Article (1)

Definitions

The definitions contained in Federal Decree-Law No. 33 (of 2021) and its Executive Regulations, referred to, shall apply to this decision. The following terms and expressions shall have the meanings opposite thereto unless the context requires otherwise:

Medical Authority: Any federal or local governmental authority responsible for healthcare affairs or any other private healthcare establishment that is licensed to provide healthcare services inside the State.

Health Authority: Any federal or local government authority responsible for regulating healthcare affairs, each within the limits of its competence.

Article (2)

Identification of Work Injuries & Occupational Diseases

- 1. Occupational diseases are specified in schedule No.(1) attached to this Resolution.
- 2. Permanent Total Disability are specified in schedule No.(2) attached to this Resolution
- 3. Permanent Partial Disability are specified in schedule No.(3) attached to this Resolution.

Article (3)

<u>Procedures and requirements to be followed in the event of work-related injuries or occupational diseases</u>

If a Worker sustains a labor injury or occupational disease, the Employer or his representative must do the following:

- 1. Report the incident to the medical authority.
- 2. Report the incident to the competent police station according to the geographical scope. The report must be made immediately in the event of a work injury as a result of an accident or any injury other than an occupational disease, and the report must indicate the date the employer became aware of the occupational disease.
- 3. Report the incident to the Ministry through specialized channels within a maximum period of forty-eight hours (48) from the date of his knowledge of the occupational disease or from the time of his knowledge of any other work injury. The report must include worker's name, age, vocation, address, and nationality in addition to a brief description of the accident, its circumstances and the arrangements made for the employee's medical aid or treatment.

Article (4)

Conducting Investigations into Work Injuries & Occupational Diseases

- 1. The police shall carry out necessary investigation, upon receipt of the report which contains statements of witnesses and employer or his representative and statement of injured if his condition so allows, and the report must indicate in particular the following:
 - a) If the injury was a deliberate self-injury;

- b) If the injury was a result of a direct consequence of the worker's deliberate misconduct.
- c) If the injury occurred under the influence of alcohol, drugs or other psychotropic substances;
- d) If the injury was a direct consequence of a deliberate violation of the precautionary instructions affixed in conspicuous places at the Workplace.
- 2. An inspector from the ministry or the relevant authority (health authorities or municipalities) shall assist the investigation authorities in collecting evidence if necessary.
- 3. The statements and information included in the investigation are mere inferences used by the medical authority, and it has the final decision in determining whether or not a work injury has occurred.
- 4. The investigation authority shall provide the Ministry with a copy of the investigations result along with a copy of the evidence report.

Article (5) Medical Report

- 1. The treating medical authority shall, upon completion of treatment, prepare a report on the work injury or occupational disease, specifying the injury, type of occupational disease, the cause of either, date of occurrence, its relation to work and period of treatment and whether the employee has sustained permanent infirmity, or otherwise and degree of disability, if any, and whether such disability is total or partial as well as his ability to carry on duties with the existing disability.
- 2. The report of the medical authority is to be approved by the competent federal or local government health authority. The approval shall be based on the recommendation of a specialized medical committee or through any other system used by the health authority. The medical authority shall at the end of treatment make a triplicate report, a copy of which shall be handed to the worker and the other to the employer, and a third copy will be sent to the Ministry.

Article (6)

Details of the Work Injuries & Occupational Diseases

- 1. All medical authorities in the state must provide the Ministry with details of all work injuries and occupational diseases periodically through the approved electronic systems. The details shall include the worker's name ID number, nationality, place of injury, date of injury, emirate, degree of injury, and the name of the health authority.
- 2. All medical authorities must record the details referred to in clause (in the patient's national medical file) of this article through the approved systems, and the government health authorities in the state must verify this before approving the report.

Article (7) Employer's Obligation for Work Injuries & Occupational Diseases Compensation

In case a Worker sustains a Work Injury or an occupational disease, then the Employer shall be under obligation to pay the compensation due to the worker according to the schedules attached herein, subject to the following provisions:

- 1. Total incapacity to use any organ of the body or part thereof is considered equal to total loss of such organ or part of the body.
- 2. If the worker injured is a left handed the compensation hereinabove provided for the left hand shall be the same as for the right hand.
- 3. In the case of marring, disfigurement or unnatural alternation of any organ or part of the body or any sense not covered by the above schedule, the rate of disability shall be estimated, by the competent medical authority.

Article (8) Updating Schedules

The Minister, in coordination with the Ministry of Health and Prevention, may update Schedule No.(1) attached herein concerning occupational diseases when needed.

Article (9) Publication and Validity

This Decree-Law shall be published in the Official Gazette, and shall come into force from the day following the date of its publication.

Original signed by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum Prime Minister

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SCHEDULES ANNEXED TO CABINET RESOLUTION NO. 33 OF 2022 REGARDING WORK INJURIES & OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES

SCHEDULE NO. (1) OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES

Disease	Occupation Causing The Disease		
Poisoning by Lead and lead	Any occupation that requires use or handling of		
components	lead or its compounds containing lead		
Poisoning by mercury and	Any occupation that requires the production, use		
its components	or disposal of mercury and its components, in		
	addition to any work involving exposure to dust		
	or gases of mercury or its components or		
	materials containing mercury.		
	Any work that requires the production, use or		
components	disposal of arsenic and its components, in		
	addition to any work involving exposure to dust		
	or gases of mercury or its components or		
	materials containing arsenic.		
	Any occupation that requires use or handling of		
its components	antimony or its components or exposure to the		
	dust or gases of antimony or its components or		
D: : 1 1 1	items containing antimony		
0 2 2	Any occupation requiring use or handling of		
and its components	phosphorus or its components or exposure to the		
	dust or gases of phosphorus or its components or		
Deiganing by natural sum its	items containing phosphorus Any occupation that requires use or handling of		
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8 ,	exposure to the dust or vapors of benzene		
components	whether in solid, liquid or gaseous form		
Poisoning by			
	disposal of Manganese and its components, in		
	addition to any work involving exposure to dust		
Components	or gases of mercury or its components or		
	materials containing Manganese.		
Poisoning by sulfur metal	Any occupation that requires use or handling of		
	sulfuric metal or its components or any items		
	having sulfuric content or exposure to the dust		
	Poisoning by Lead and lead components Poisoning by mercury and		

		and gases of sulfuric metal and its components or
		any items having sulfuric content.
9	Poisoning by chloroform or carbon tetrachloride.	Any occupation that requires use or handling of chloroform or carbon tetrachloride or exposure to the gases containing them
10	Diseases resulting from Radium or radio-active (X-rays)	Any occupation that requires exposure or radium or any other radio-active substance or X=rays.
11	Chronic skin disease and burns of the skin and the eye	Any occupation that requires use or handling of tar or coal tar equipment, mineral oil or kerosene (or cement, flour or similar dust or any of their compounds, products or residues
12	Eye affections from the heat and light, and the consequences of such affections	Any occupation that requires recurrent or continuous exposure to reflection of light, heat or radiation emitted by molten glass, hot or molten metals or exposure to powerful light and high temperature that could cause harm to eye or sight
13	Pneumoconiosis resulting from: 1.Silicosis (Silicon dust) 2.Asbestosis (Asbestos dust) 3.Byssinosis (cotton dust)	Any occupation that requires exposure to silicon dust or any items with silicon content in a concentration of more than 5%, such as work in rock cement factories, sandblasting of metals or any other occupation requiring a similar exposure, as well as any work requiring exposure to asbestos or cotton dust to such an extent as to result in such a disease.
14	Anthrax	Any occupation that requires contact with animals affected by such a disease or with their skins, horns and hair
15	Ascites	Any occupation that requires contact with animals affected by this disease
16	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Any occupation in hospitals providing treatment patients affected by this disease
17	Enteric Fever	Any work in hospitals specialized in the treatment of this disease

SCHEDULE NO. (2) PERMANENT TOTAL DISABILITY COMPENSATION ASSESSMENT

Disability	Nature Of Permanent Disability	Percentage
Degree		
	1. Loss of both arms from the shoulder or loss of any two or more limbs	100
	2. Total loss of eye sight or loss of both eyes	100
Total	Total 3. Total paralysis	
	4. Imbecility or total mental deficiency	100
	5. Injuries or accidents to the head or skull	100
	causing continuous headache	
	6. Total disfigurement of face	100
	7. Injuries and accidents to the chest and	100
	internal organs causing permanent and	
	total inability to function normally	

SCHEDULE NO. (3) PERMANENT PARTIAL DISABILITY COMPENSATION ASSESSMENT

Disability	Nature Of Permanent Disability	Percentage	
Degree			
	1. Loss of both legs from the thigh		
	2. Loss of both arms from elbow or above	85	
	3. Severe disfigurement of the face	80	
Partial	4. Total loss of both hands from the elbow	70	
	5. Total loss of right arm from shoulder joint or	70	
	from the elbow		
	6. Loss of both legs from the knee or above	70	
	7. Total loss of left arm from the shoulder	60	
	joint or from the elbow		
	8. Loss of one leg from the knee or above	60	
	9. Loss of one leg from the knee or above	60	
	10.Loss of one leg from the thigh	60	
	11.Loss of both legs from below the knee	60	
	12.Loss of right hand fingers including thumb	60	
	13.Loss of left arm from above or below the elbow	50	
	14.Loss of the left hand fingers including thumb	50	

15.Loss of one leg below the knee	50
16. Total and permanent loss of hearing	50
17. Loss of tongue or permanent dumbness	45
18. Loss of both feet from the ankle or below	45
19.Loss of genital organ	45
20.Loss of sight of one eye	45
21.Loss of right hand from the wrist	38
22.Loss of thumb or four fingers of the right hand.	35
23.Loss of left hand from the wrist	34
24.Loss of thumb or four of the left hand fingers	25
25.Loss of one foot from the ankle or below	20
26.Loss of all toes of one foot including the big toe	20
27.Loss of three of the right hand fingers	15
excluding the thumb	
28.Loss of the index finger of the right hand	15
29.Loss of the phalanges joint of the right hand	10
thumb	
30.Loss of the index finger of the left hand	10
31.Loss of three of the left hand fingers excluding	10
the thumb	
32.Loss of all toes foot of one excluding the big toe	10
33.Loss of big toe of one foot	10
34.Loss of the last phalanges joint of the left foot	6
great toe	
35.Loss of the right hand middle finger	6
36.Loss of the left hand middle finger	6
37.Loss of the right hand annular finger	6
38.Loss of the left hand annular finger	6
39.Loss of the right hand auricular finger	6
40.Loss of one finger of the left hand	6
41.Loss of the phalanges joint of any finger	5
excluding the thumb	
42. Loss of the right hand index finger second joint	5
43.Loss of the foot toes excluding the great toe	5
44.Loss of one molar tooth	3
45.Loss of one canine tooth	2