**Proclamation of emergency**

(1) If the President is satisfied that a grave emergency exists in which the security or economic life of Bangladesh, or any part thereof, is threatened by war or external aggression or internal disturbance, he may issue a Proclamation of Emergency 2[for one hundred twenty days]:

3[\* \* \*]

4[Provided that such Proclamation shall require for its validity the prior counter signature of the Prime Minister.]

(2) A Proclamation of Emergency –

(a) may be revoked by a subsequent Proclamation;

(b) shall be laid before Parliament;

(c) shall cease to operate at the expiration of one hundred and twenty days, unless before the expiration of that period it has been approved by a resolution of Parliament: 5[\* \* \*]

Provided that if any such Proclamation is issued at a time when Parliament stands dissolved or the dissolution of Parliament takes place during the period of one hundred and twenty days referred to in sub clause (c), the Proclamation shall cease to operate at the expiration of thirty days from the date on which Parliament first meets after its re constitution, unless before that expiration of the said period of thirty days a resolution approving the Proclamation has been passed by Parliament 6[or at the expiration of one hundred and twenty days, whichever occurs first.].

(3) A Proclamation of Emergency declaring that the security of Bangladesh, or any part thereof, is threatened by war or external aggression or by internal disturbance may be made before the actual occurrence of war or any such aggression or disturbance if the President is satisfied that there is imminent danger thereof.

* 1

Part IXA was inserted by section 6 of the Constitution (Second Amendment) Act, 1973 (Act No. XXIV of 1973).

* 2

The words " for one hundred twenty days" were added by the Constitution (Fifteenth Amendment) Act, 2011 (Act XIV of 2011), section 41 (a).

* 3

The proviso was omitted by section 28 of the Constitution (Fourth Amendment) Act, 1975 (Act No. II of 1975)

* 4

The proviso was added by section 17 of the Constitution (Twelfth Amendment) Act, 1991 (Act No. XXVIII of 1991)

* 5

Omitted by the Constitution (Fifteenth Amendment ) Act, 2011 (Act XIV of 2011), section 41 (b).

* 6

Added by the Constitution (Fifteenth Amendment) Act, 2011 (Act XIV of 2011), section 41 (c).