## ON VIOLATION OF THE CONSTITUTION

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<u>Islamabad (April 23, 2010)</u>: Senator Prof. Khurshid Ahmad, Naib Amir of Jamaat-e-Islami Pakistan has strongly condemned the re-promulgation of a dozen Ordinances in flagrant violation of the 18th Constitutional Amendment which is now integral part of the Constitution. In the amended Article 89 it has been clearly provided that an Ordinance cannot be re-promulgated without a Resolution of any of the Houses of the Parliament.

He further said that the President has re-promulgated these Ordinances, including Defence Housing Authority Ordinance which has been strongly criticized in the Parliament and the media, in gross violation of the Constitution. According to Prof. Khurshid Ahmad, the government has set a very bad example by open violation of the Constitution.

"The Parliament should take serious note of that and I am afraid these Ordinances may also be challenged in the Supreme Court", he emphasized. "Unless the government respects the Constitution and puts an end to the practice of bad governance the respect of political authorities cannot be restored in the eyes of the public and judiciary would have to intervene in matters which should normally be taken care of by the government. Unless this perverted mind set of the Government functionaries changes supremacy of Constitution cannot be established", he concluded