

**¹THE DEFENCE SERVICES (SUPREME COMMAND)
ORDINANCE, 1979**

ORDINANCE NO. XXIII OF 1979

[31st March, 1979]

**An Ordinance to provide for regulation of the exercise
of the Supreme command of the defence services vested in
the President.**

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for regulation of the exercise of the supreme command of the defence services vested in the President;

NOW, THEREFORE, in pursuance of the Proclamations of the 20th August, 1975, and 8th November, 1975, and in exercise of all powers enabling him in that behalf, the President is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:-

1. This Ordinance may be called the Defence Services (Supreme Command) Ordinance, 1979. Short title

2. (1) The President shall be the Supreme Commander of the Defence Services and shall exercise the supreme command of the defence services vested in him under Article 61 of the Constitution through the Chiefs of Staff of the defence services. Exercise of
supreme
command by
the President

(2) The Chiefs of Staff of the defence services shall exercise their command over the forces under them subject to the general direction and control of the President.

¹ The Ordinance was declared void and non est by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh in Civil Petition for leave to Appeal Numbers 1044 and 1045 of 2009 and subsequently the Ordinance has been made effective as an Act of Parliament by section 4 and Schedule of ১৯৭৫ সালের ১৫ আগস্ট হইতে ১৯৭৯ সালের ৯ এপ্রিল তারিখ পর্যন্ত সময়ের মধ্যে জারীকৃত কতিপয় অধ্যাদেশ কার্যকরণ (বিশেষ বিধান) আইন, ২০১৩ (২০১৩ সনের ০৬ নং আইন)।