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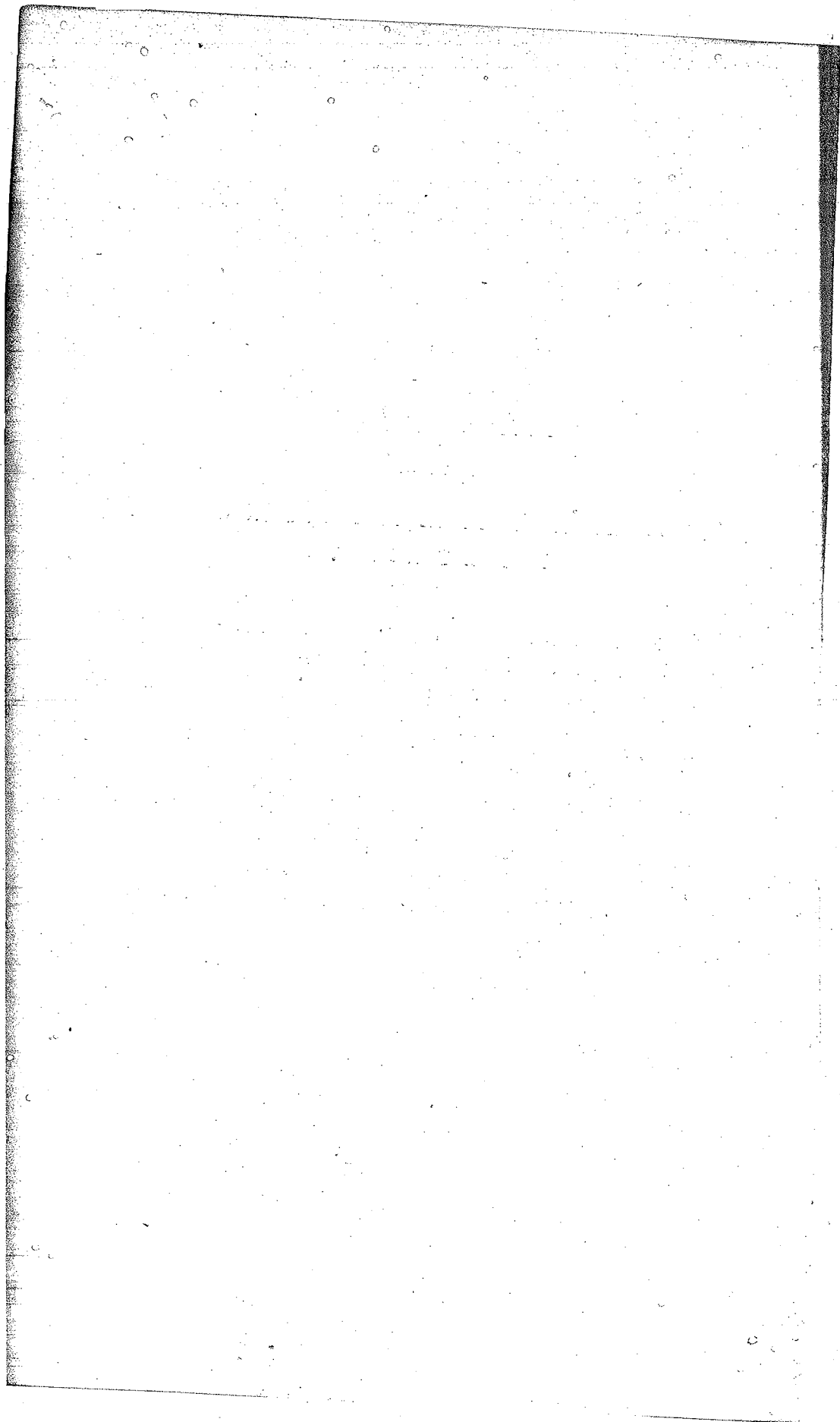
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# ACT No. I OF 1906.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 26th  
January, 1906.)

## An Act further to amend the Indian Tariff Act, 1894.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Indian Tariff Act, 1894; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Indian Tariff (Amendment) Act, 1906; and

Short title  
and com-  
mencement.

(2) It shall come into force on the twenty-sixth day of February, 1906.

2. In No. 1 of Schedule III of the Indian Tariff Act, 1894, as amended by the Indian Tariff Act (1894) Amendment Act, 1896,—

Amendment  
of Schedule  
III, Act  
VIII of  
1894.

(a) "Rs. 10" shall be substituted for "Rs. 6" in the fourth column as the rate of duty to be levied and collected per Imperial Gallon or six quart bottles of "liqueurs", and

(b) for the following, namely:—

| No. | Names of Articles.   | Per   | Rate of Duty.  |
|-----|--|---|--|
| *   | *  | *   | *  |
|     | Spirit when so used in a proportion of twenty per cent. and upwards. | Imperial Gallon or six quart bottles of the strength of London proof. | Rs. A.<br>6 0<br>and the duty to be increased or reduced in proportion as the strength of the spirit exceeds or is less than London proof. |
|     | Spirit, perfumed, in wood or in bottles.                             | Imperial Gallon or six quart bottles.                                 | 8 0  |
|     | Spirit, other sorts .  | Imperial Gallon or six quart bottles of the strength of London proof. | 6 0<br>and the duty to be increased or reduced in proportion as the strength of the spirit exceeds or is less than London proof.           |

there

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there shall be substituted the following, namely:—

| No. | Names of Articles.   | Per   | Rate of Duty.  |
|-----|--|---|--|
| *   | *  | *   | *  |
|     | Spirit when so used in a proportion of twenty per cent. and upwards. | Imperial Gallon or six quart bottles of the strength of London proof. | Rs. A.<br>7 0<br>and the duty to be increased or reduced in proportion as the strength of the spirit exceeds or is less than London proof. |
|     | Spirit, perfumed, in wood or in bottles.                             | Imperial Gallon or six quart bottles.                                 | 11 0   |
|     | Spirit, other sorts  | Imperial Gallon or six quart bottles of the strength of London proof. | 7 0<br>and the duty to be increased or reduced in proportion as the strength of the spirit exceeds or is less than London proof.           |

## ACT No. II OF 1906.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 20th March, 1906.)

### An Act to amend the Sindh Incumbered Estates Act, 1896.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Sindh Incumbered Estates Act, 1896; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Sindh Incumbered Estates (Amendment) Act, 1906. Short title.

2. In section 2 of the Sindh Incumbered Estates Act, 1896, there shall be substituted— Amendment of Act XX, 1896, section 2.

(a) in clause (2), for the words "and to whom, or to whose ancestor, a sanad has been, or hereafter may be, granted confirming such continuance" the words "as a jágir," and

(b) in clause (3), for the words "commencement of this Act" the words and figure "making of an application under section 3 by or in respect of or on behalf of such person."

3. Section 5 of the said Act shall be renumbered 5 (1), and the following shall be inserted thereafter, namely:— Amendment of section 5.

"(2) Every direction given under sub-section (1) shall be deemed to afford protection to sureties of the debtor as well as to the debtor himself, unless in any case a surety has, by his bond, expressly accepted liability thereunder in the event of an order being made in respect of the debtor's property under section 7, sub-section (2), clause (c)."

4. After clause (2) of section 9 of the said Act the following shall be inserted, namely:— Amendment of section 9

"(2a) clauses (1) and (2) shall be deemed to afford protection to sureties of the debtor as well as to

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to the debtor himself, unless in any case a surety has, by his bond, expressly accepted liability thereunder in the event of an order being made in respect of the debtor's property under section 7, sub-section (2), clause (c)."

Amendment  
of section 10.

5. In section 10 of the said Act,—

(a) for the words "and profits", in both places where they occur, the words "profits and other sums" shall be substituted, and

(b) after the word "Government" the words "including the power conferred by section 176 of the Bombay Land-revenue Code, 1879," shall be inserted.

Bom. Act  
V of 1879.

Amendment  
of section 22.

6. (a) Section 22 of the said Act shall be renumbered 22 (1).

(b) The words "dated within the three years immediately preceding the commencement of the management", in the said section 22 (1), are hereby repealed.

(c) After the said section 22 (1) the following shall be inserted, namely:—

"(2) Whenever the manager sets aside or cancels a lease under sub-section (1), he shall, by written order, award to the lessee such compensation, if any, as may appear to the manager to be equitable in the circumstances; and, subject to the provisions of Chapter VI, no compensation in excess of the amount so awarded shall be recoverable by the lessee in a Civil Court or otherwise.

(3) Any compensation awarded by the manager under sub-section (2) shall be deemed to be a debt mentioned in section 8, and shall rank in priority to all other debts and liabilities other than debts or liabilities due or incurred to Government.

(4) If any lessee whose lease has been so set aside or cancelled refuses or neglects to give up possession when required to do so by the manager, the manager may, without resorting to a Civil Court, enter upon the property and summarily evict therefrom the said

lessee



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lessee and any other person obstructing or resisting on his behalf."

7. The Sindh Incumbered Estates Act, 1881, and the Sindh Incumbered Estates Act, 1884, are hereby repealed.

1881.  
1884.

Repeal.

# THE INDIAN COINAGE ACT, 1906.

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# ACT NO. III OF 1906.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.  
(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 2nd  
March, 1906.)

An Act to consolidate and amend the law  
relating to Coinage and the Mint.

WHEREAS it is expedient to consolidate and amend  
the law relating to Coinage and the Mint; It is  
hereby enacted as follows:

## *Preliminary.*

Short title  
and extent.

1. (1) This Act may be called the Indian Coinage  
Act, 1906; and

(2) It extends to the whole of British India, in-  
clusive of British Baluchistan, the Sonthal Parganas  
and the Pargana of Spiti.

Definitions.

2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant  
in the subject or context,—

(a) "deface," with its grammatical variations and  
cognate expressions, includes clipping, fil-  
ing, stamping, or such other alteration of  
the surface or shape of a coin as is readily  
distinguishable from the effects of reason-  
able wear;

(b) "the Mint" includes the Mints now existing  
and any which may hereafter be estab-  
lished;

(c) "prescribed" includes prescribed by a rule  
made under this Act;

(d) "remedy" means variation from the standard  
weight and fineness; and

(e) "standard weight" means the weight pre-  
scribed for any coin.

3. The

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*Coinage.*

(Preliminary.—Section 3. *Silver Coinage.*—Sections 4-5.)

3. The Governor General in Council may, by notification in the Gazette of India,—

Power to establish and abolish Mints.

- (a) establish a Mint at any place at which a Mint does not for the time being exist; and
- (b) abolish any Mint, whether now existing or hereafter established.

*Silver Coinage.*

4. The following silver coins only shall be coined at the Mint for issue under the authority of the Governor General in Council, namely :—

Silver coins.

- (a) a rupee to be called the Government rupee ;
- (b) a half-rupee, or eight-anna piece ;
- (c) a quarter-rupee, or four-anna piece ; and
- (d) an eighth of a rupee, or two-anna piece.

5. (1) The standard weight of the Government rupee shall be one hundred and eighty grains Troy, and its standard fineness shall be as follows, namely, eleven-twelfths, or one hundred and sixty-five grains of fine silver, and one-twelfth, or fifteen grains of alloy.

Standard weight and fineness.

(2) The other silver coins shall be of proportionate weight and of the same fineness :

Provided that, in the making of silver coins, a remedy shall be allowed of an amount not exceeding the following, namely :—

|                         | Remedy in weight.  | Remedy in fineness.  |
|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Rupee                   | Five-thousandths.  | Two-thousandths.     |
| Half-rupee . . . }      |                    |                      |
| Quarter-rupee . . .     | Seven-thousandths. | } Three-thousandths. |
| Eighth of a rupee . . . | Ten-thousandths.   |                      |

*Nickel*

(*Nickel Coinage.*—Sections 6-7. *Bronze Coinage.*—  
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*Nickel Coinage.*

Nickel coin.

6. The following nickel coin only shall be coined at the Mint for issue under the authority of the Governor General in Council, namely : a one-anna piece.

Standard weight.

7. The standard weight of the one-anna piece shall be sixty grains Troy :

Provided that, in the making of nickel coin, a remedy shall be allowed of an amount not exceeding one-fortieth in weight.

*Bronze Coinage.*

Bronze coins.

8. The following bronze coins only shall be coined at the Mint for issue under the authority of the Governor General in Council, namely :—

(a) a pice, or quarter-anna ;

(b) a half-pice, or one-eighth of an anna ; and

(c) a pie, being one-third of a pice, or one-twelfth of an anna.

Standard weight and composition

9. (1) The standard weight of the pice shall be seventy-five grains Troy, and the other bronze coins shall be of proportionate weight.

(2) Bronze coins shall be coined from a mixed metal consisting of copper, tin and zinc :

Provided that, in the making of bronze coins, a remedy shall be allowed of an amount not exceeding one-fortieth in weight.

*Dimensions and Designs of Coins.*

Power to direct coining, and to prescribe dimensions and designs.

10. (1) The Governor General in Council may, by notification in the Gazette of India,—

(a) direct the coining and issuing of all coins referred to in sections 4, 6 and 8, and

(b) determine the dimensions of, and designs for, such coins.

(2) Until

*(Legal Tender.—Sections 11-13.)*XIII of  
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(2) Until the Governor General in Council otherwise determines by notification under sub-section (1), the dimensions and designs of the silver coins coined under this Act shall be those prescribed for the like silver coins under the Indian Coinage Act, 1870, at the time of the commencement of this Act.

*Legal Tender.*3 & 34  
Act, c. 10.

11. Gold coins, whether coined at His Majesty's Royal Mint in England or at any Mint established in pursuance of a Proclamation of His Majesty as a branch of His Majesty's Royal Mint, shall be a legal tender in payment or on account at the rate of fifteen rupees for one sovereign :

Gold coins a  
legal tender.

Provided that such coins have not been called in by any Proclamation made in pursuance of the Coinage Act, 1870, or have not lost weight so as to be of less weight than that for the time being prescribed for like coins by or under the said Statute as the least current weight.

12. (1) The rupee and half-rupee shall be a legal tender in payment or on account :

Silver coin  
when a legal  
tender.

Provided that the coin—

(a) has not lost in weight so as to be more than two per cent. below standard weight, and

(b) has not been defaced.

(2) The quarter-rupee and eighth of a rupee shall be a legal tender in payment or on account for any sum not exceeding one rupee :

Provided that the coin—

(a) has not lost in weight so as to be more than such percentage below standard weight as may be prescribed as the limit of reasonable wear, and

(b) has not been defaced.

13. The nickel coin specified in section 6 shall be a legal tender in payment or on account for any

Nickel coin  
when a legal  
tender.

sum

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sum not exceeding one rupee at the rate of sixteen for a rupee.

Bronze coin  
when a legal  
tender.

14. The bronze coins specified in section 8 shall be a legal tender in payment or on account for any sum not exceeding one rupee at the following rates, respectively, namely :—

(a) the pice at the rate of sixty-four for a rupee, or four for an anna ;

(b) the half-pice at the rate of one hundred and twenty-eight for a rupee, or eight for an anna ; and

(c) the pie at the rate of one hundred and ninety-two for a rupee, or twelve for an anna.

Coin made  
under former  
Acts.

15. (1) (a) All silver coin of the weight and standard specified in Acts No. XVII of 1835, No. XXI of 1838, No. XIII of 1862 and the Indian Coinage Act, 1870, and

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1870.

(b) all copper coin of the weight specified in Acts No. XXI of 1835, No. XXII of 1844, No. XIII of 1862 and the Indian Coinage Act, 1870,

which may have been issued since the passing of those Acts respectively, and declared by those Acts respectively to be a legal tender, shall, notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or in any Act hereby repealed, but subject in the case of silver coin to the provisos contained in section 12 of this Act in so far as such provisos apply to like coins under this Act, continue to be a legal tender for the amounts for which the like silver and bronze coins are a legal tender under this Act respectively.

(2) All double pice copper coins which may have been issued under the Acts specified in sub-section (1), clause (b), shall continue to be a legal tender in payment or on account for any sum not exceeding one rupee at the rate of thirty-two for a rupee or two for an anna.

*Diminished,*



*(Diminished, Defaced and Counterfeit Silver Coin.—  
Sections 16-18.)**Diminished, Defaced and Counterfeit Silver Coin.*

16. Where any silver coin which has been coined and issued under the authority of the Governor General in Council is tendered to any person authorised by the Governor General in Council or by the Local Government to act under this section, and such person has reason to believe that the coin—

Power to certain persons to cut diminished or defaced silver coins.

(a) has been diminished in weight so as to be more than such percentage below standard weight as may be prescribed as the limit of reasonable wear, or

(b) has been defaced,

he shall, by himself or another, cut or break the coin.

17. A person cutting or breaking coin under the provisions of clause (a) of section 16 shall observe the following procedure, namely :—

Procedure in regard to coin cut under section 16 (a).

(a) if the coin has been diminished in weight so as to be more than such percentage below standard weight as may be prescribed as the limit of reasonable wear, but not more than such further percentage as may be prescribed in this behalf, he shall either return the pieces to the person tendering the coin, or, if such person so requests, shall receive and pay for the coin at such rates as may be prescribed in this behalf ; and

(b) if the coin has been diminished in weight so as to be more than such further percentage below standard weight so prescribed as aforesaid, he shall return the pieces to the person tendering the coin, who shall bear the loss caused by such cutting or breaking.

18. A person cutting or breaking coin under the provisions of clause (b) of section 16 shall observe the following procedure, namely :—

Procedure in regard to coin cut under section 16 (b).

(a) if such person has reason to believe that the coin has been fraudulently defaced, he shall return

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return the pieces to the person tendering the coin, who shall bear the loss caused by such cutting or breaking;

- (b) if such person has not reason to believe that the coin has been fraudulently defaced, he shall receive and pay for the coin at its nominal value.

*Explanation.*—For the purposes of this section a coin which there is reason to believe has been defaced by sweating shall be deemed to have been fraudulently defaced.

Procedure in regard to coin which is liable to be cut under both clause (a) and clause (b) of section 16.

19. If a coin is liable to be cut or broken under the provisions of both clause (a) and clause (b) of section 16, the person cutting or breaking the coin shall deal with it,—

- (a) if he has reason to believe that the coin has been fraudulently defaced, under clause (a) of section 18, and

- (b) in other cases, under section 17.

Power to certain persons to cut counterfeit silver coin and procedure in regard to coin so cut.

20. Where any silver coin purporting to be coined or issued under the authority of the Governor General in Council is tendered to any person authorised by the Governor General in Council or by the Local Government to act under this section, and such person has reason to believe that the coin is counterfeit, he shall by himself or another cut or break the coin, and may at his discretion either return the pieces to the tenderer, who shall bear the loss caused by such cutting or breaking, or receive and pay for the coin according to the value of the silver bullion contained in it.

*Supplemental Provisions.*

Power to make rules.

21. (1) The Governor General in Council may make rules to carry out the purposes and objects of this Act.

(2) In

*(Supplemental Provisions.—Sections 22-24.)*

(2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may—

- (a) reduce the amount of remedy allowed by sections 5, 7 and 9 in the case of any coin;
- (b) provide for the guidance of persons authorised to cut or break coin under sections 16 and 20;
- (c) determine the percentage of diminution in weight below standard weight not being less in any case than two per cent. which shall be the limit of reasonable wear;
- (d) prescribe the further percentage referred to in clause (a) of section 17, and the rates at which payments shall be made in the case of coins falling under the same clause; and
- (e) provide for the acceptance at prescribed rates by officers authorised in this behalf of the gold coins described in section 11 where such coins have lost weight so as to be of less weight than that for the time being prescribed for like coins by or under the Coinage Act, 1870, as the least current weight.

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pt., c. 10.

(3) Every such rule shall be published in the Gazette of India, and on such publication shall have effect as if enacted in this Act.

22. No suit or other proceeding shall lie against any person in respect of anything in good faith done, or intended to be done, under or in pursuance of the provisions of this Act.

Bar of suits.

23. Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to prohibit or restrict the making at the Mint of coins intended for issue as money by the Government of any territories beyond the limits of British India.

Saving of making of other coins at Mints.

24. The Acts mentioned in the Schedule are hereby repealed to the extent specified in the last column thereof :

Repeals.

Provided

*(The Schedule.— Acts repealed.)*

Provided that copper coins of such descriptions as at the time of the commencement of this Act may be coined at the Mint for issue under the authority of the Governor General in Council may, notwithstanding the repeal of the said Acts, continue to be so coined until such time as the Governor General in Council may by notification in the Gazette of India otherwise direct, and all copper coins so coined shall be a legal tender in payment or on account for the amounts for which bronze coins of corresponding nominal value are a legal tender under this Act.

## THE SCHEDULE.

*(See section 24.)*

## ACTS REPEALED.

| Year. | No.   | Short title.                                     | Extent of repeal.                                   |
|-------|-------|--|---|
| 1870  | XXIII | The Indian Coinage Act, 1870.                    | So much as is unrepealed.                           |
| 1893  | VIII  | The Indian Coinage and Paper Currency Act, 1893. | So much as relates to the Indian Coinage Act, 1870. |
| 1899  | XXII  | The Indian Coinage and Paper Currency Act, 1899. | So much as relates to the Indian Coinage Act, 1870. |

# ACT No. IV OF 1906.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.  
(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 21st  
March, 1906.)

An Act further to amend the Presidency  
Small Cause Courts Act, 1882.

**WHEREAS** it is expedient further to amend the  
Presidency Small Cause Courts Act, 1882; It  
is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Presidency Small Cause Courts Act, 1906. Short title.

2. In section 28 of the Presidency Small Cause Courts Act, 1882, after the words "such decree" the words "and for the purpose of deciding all questions arising in the execution of such decree" shall be inserted. Amendment of section 28, Act XV, 1882.

3. In section 39 of the said Act, for sub-section (2) the following shall be substituted, namely:— Amendment of section 39 of same Act.

"(2) Unless the Judge is of opinion that the application has been made solely for the purpose of delay, the applicant shall be entitled to such order as of right:

"Provided that the removal directed by such order shall, unless the Judge otherwise directs, be conditional upon the applicant giving security, to the approval of the Judge, within a reasonable time to be prescribed in the order, for the payment of the amount claimed and of the costs which may become payable by him to the plaintiff in respect of the said suit."

4. For section 69 of the said Act the following shall be substituted, namely:— Substitution of new section for section 69 of same Act.

"69. (1) If two or more Judges of the Small Cause Court sit together in any suit, or in any proceeding under Chapter VII of this Act, and differ in

their

*Presidency Small Cause Courts.* [ACT IV, 1906.]

their opinion as to any question of law or usage having the force of law or the construction of a document, which construction may affect the merits, or

if in any suit or any such proceeding, in which the amount or value of the subject-matter exceeds five hundred rupees, any such question arises upon which the Court entertains reasonable doubt, and either party so requires,

the Small Cause Court shall draw up a statement of the facts of the case and the point on which there is a difference of opinion or on which doubt is entertained, and refer such statement with its own opinion on the point for the opinion of the High Court; and the provisions of sections 619 to 621 of the Code of Civil Procedure shall, so far as they are applicable, be deemed to apply as if such reference had been made under section 617 of the said Code.

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(2) When the Small Cause Court refers any question for the opinion of the High Court as provided in sub-section (1), it shall either reserve judgment or give judgment contingent upon such opinion."

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of second  
schedule,  
Act XV,  
1877.

5. In No. 11 of the second schedule to the Indian Limitation Act, 1877, after the words "the Code of Civil Procedure," the following shall be inserted, namely:—" or section 28 of the Presidency Small Cause Courts Act, 1882."

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# ACT NO. V OF 1906.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 21st March, 1906.)

## An Act further to amend the Indian Stamp Act, 1899.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Indian Stamp Act, 1899; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Indian Stamp (Amendment) Act, 1906. Short title.

2. In section 2, clause (19), of the Indian Stamp Act, 1899 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), sub-clause (c), and the word "and" prefixed thereto, are hereby repealed. Repeal of part of section 2, Act II, 1899.

3. In section 11, clause (a), section 32, proviso, clause (c), section 35, proviso, clause (a), section 40, section 41, section 69 and section 74, of the said Act, after the words "one anna", wherever they occur, the words "or half an anna" shall be inserted. Amendment of sections 11, 32, 35, 40, 41, 69 and 74, Act II, 1899.

4. For section 29, clause (b), of the said Act, the following shall be substituted, namely:— Substitution of new clause for clause (b) of section 29, Act II, 1899.

"(b) in the case of a policy of insurance other than fire-insurance—by the person effecting the insurance;

(bb) in the case of a policy of fire-insurance—by the person issuing the policy;".

5. To section 30 of the said Act the following paragraph shall be added, namely:— Addition to section 30, Act II, 1899.

"Any person receiving or taking credit for any premium or consideration for any renewal of any contract of fire-insurance, shall, within one month after receiving or taking credit for such premium or consideration, give a duly stamped receipt for the same."

6. In section 51 of the said Act, after the word "instruments" the words "by any banker or", and after Amendment of section 51, Act II, 1899.



after the word "said" the word "banker", shall be inserted.

Amendments  
of Schedule  
I, Act II,  
1899.

7. In Schedule I of the said Act, the following amendments shall be made, namely:—

(1) For clauses (b) and (c) of the exemptions from Article No. 24 the following shall be substituted, namely:—

"(b) Copy of, or extract from, any register relating to births, baptisms, namings, dedications, marriages, deaths or burials."

(2) In clause (b) of Article No. 41, for the words "one year" the words "eighteen months" shall be substituted.

(3) For divisions A and B of Article No. 47 the following shall be substituted, namely:—

|   | If drawn singly. | If drawn in duplicate, for each part. |
|---|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| "A.—SEA-INSURANCE (see section 7)—<br>(1) for or upon any voyage—<br>(i) where the premium or consideration does not exceed the rate of two annas or one-eighth per centum of the amount insured by the policy;                   | One anna         | Half an anna.                         |
| (ii) in any other case, in respect of every full sum of one thousand rupees and also any fractional part of one thousand rupees insured by the policy;  | Two annas        | One anna.                             |
| (2) for time—<br>(iii) in respect of every full sum of one thousand rupees and also any fractional part of one thousand rupees insured by the policy—<br>where the insurance shall be made for any time not exceeding six months; | Two annas        | One anna.                             |
| where the insurance shall be made for any time exceeding six months and not exceeding twelve months.  | Four annas       | Two annas.                            |

"B.—FIRE



## "B.—FIRE INSURANCE—"

(1) in respect of an original policy—

(i) when the sum insured does not exceed Rs. 5,000;

Eight annas.

(ii) in any other case;

One rupee.

(2) in respect of each receipt for any payment of a premium on any renewal of an original policy.

One-half of the duty payable in respect of the original policy in addition to the amount, if any, chargeable under No. 53."

(4) To Article No. 53 the following note shall be added, namely:—

"See also POLICY OF INSURANCE [No. 47-B (2)]."

# ACT No. VI OF 1906.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.  
(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 21st  
March, 1906.)

An Act further to amend the law relating to  
merchant seamen.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the  
law relating to merchant seamen; It is hereby  
enacted as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be called the Indian Merchant  
Shipping (Amendment) Act, 1906.

Amendment  
of section 23,  
Act I, 1859.

2. To section 23 of the Indian Merchant Shipping  
Act, 1859, the following shall be added, namely:—

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“Notwithstanding anything in this section, in the  
case of any such foreign-going ship as aforesaid, being  
a ship—

(a) registered in British India under the Mer-  
chant Shipping Act, 1894, or

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(b) registered in the United Kingdom under the  
said Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, but  
not employed in trading with any port in  
the United Kingdom,

a running agreement with the crew may be made to  
extend over two or more voyages so that it shall ter-  
minate either within six months from the date on  
which it was executed or on the first arrival of the  
ship at her port of destination in British India after  
the expiration of that period, or on the discharge of  
cargo consequent upon such arrival, whichever of  
these dates shall be the latest:

“Provided that no such agreement shall continue  
in force, if, after the expiration of such period of six  
months as aforesaid, the ship proceeds on a voyage  
from a port out of British India to any other such  
port

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port which is not on the direct road or a customary route to her port of destination in British India :

“ Provided also that every such agreement shall, in addition to any other particulars required by law, contain such stipulations for the discharge of the crew and payment of their wages, for securing their return to the port at which they were shipped or to some other port in British India, and for other purposes on the termination of the agreement at a port out of British India under the foregoing proviso, as the Governor General in Council may direct.”

3. In section 24A of the said Indian Merchant Shipping Act, 1859, as amended by section 2 of the Indian Merchant Shipping Law Amendment Act, 1891, after the word “December” the words “or, as the case may be, after the expiration of a period of six months from the date on which it was executed,” shall be inserted.

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# ACT No. VII OF 1906.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 31st August, 1906.)

An Act to amend the Excise Act, 1896.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Excise Act, 1896; It is hereby enacted as follows:— XII of

Short title.

1. This Act may be called the Excise (Amendment) Act, 1906.

Amendment of section 3 (1) (j), Act XII, 1896.

2. In section 3, sub-section (1), clause (j), of the Excise Act, 1896, to the definition of "intoxicating drugs" the following shall be added, namely:— XII of

"and includes every other drug which the Local Government may, by notification in the local official Gazette, declare to be included in this definition, and every preparation and admixture of any such drug."

Amendment of section 18 (2), Act XII, 1896.

3. For section 18, sub-section (2), of the said Act, the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:—

"(2) In the other territories to which this Act extends, no person shall have in his possession—

(a) any drugs which the Local Government has, by notification under section 3, sub-section (1), clause (j), declared to be included in the definition of 'intoxicating drugs', except under, and in accordance with the terms of, a general exemption granted by the Local Government, or a license granted by such officer as the Local Government may, from time to time, appoint in this behalf, or

(b) any quantity of any intoxicating drugs mentioned in section 3, sub-section (1), clause (n),

clause (n), greater than the amount therein specified in respect of such drugs, unless he is permitted to collect, cultivate, manufacture or sell the same, or holds a pass therefor from the Collector or some other officer empowered by the Local Government to grant such passes."

4. To section 21 of the said Act the following proviso shall be added, namely:—

Addition of  
proviso to  
section 21,  
Act XII,  
1896.

"Provided also that, where the Local Government has declared, by notification under section 3, sub-section (1), clause (j), any drug to be included in the definition of 'intoxicating drugs', such drug may be sold in the territories to which this Act extends under, and in accordance with the terms of, a general exemption granted by the Local Government."

5. The United Provinces Excise Law Amendment Act, 1906, and section 2 of the Burma Excise Law Amendment Act, 1904, are hereby repealed:

Repeals.

Provided that any rules or orders which may have been issued under the Excise Act, 1896, as amended by either of the enactments hereby repealed, shall be deemed to have been issued under the Excise Act, 1896, as amended by this Act.

## ACT No. VIII OF 1906.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL,  
(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 31st August,  
1906.)

An Act to amend the Land Improvement Loans Act, 1883, and the Agriculturists' Loans Act, 1884.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Land Improvement Loans Act, 1883, and the Agriculturists' Loans Act, 1884; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

- Short title. 1. This Act may be called the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans (Amendment) Act, 1906.
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- Amendment of section 10 of same Act. 4. In section 10 of the said Act, for the words "with the previous sanction" the words "subject to the control" shall be substituted.
- Amendment of section 11 of same Act. 5. In the first proviso to section 11 of the said Act, the words "with the approval of the Governor General in Council" shall be omitted.
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