

SIND ACT No. XVII OF 1930.¹

[THE REGISTRATION (SIND; AMENDMENT) ACT, 1930]

[4th September, 1930]

An Act further to amend the ^{2*} Registration Act, 1908, in its application to the ³[Province of Sind].

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the ^{**} Registration Act, 1908, in its application to the ³[Province of Sind], in manner hereinafter appearing; And whereas the previous sanction of the Governor General required by sub-section (3) of section 80-A of the Government of India Act has been obtained for the passing of this Act; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

XVI of
1908.3 and 6
Geo. V,
c. 61.

1. This Act may be called the ^{**} Registration (³[Sind] Amendment) Act, 1930. Short title.

XVI of
1908.

2. After clause (g) of sub-section (1) of section 69 of the ^{**} Registration Act, 1908, hereinafter called the said Act, the following clause shall be inserted, namely:— Amendment of section 69 of Act XVI of 1908.

“(g) regulating the procedure for transmitting documents for being photographed and the serial numbering, binding and preservation of the photographic prints and negatives ⁶[and the manner of fixing the signature and seal of the Photo-Registrar at the end of a length of film];”.

3. After Part XI of the said Act, the following shall be inserted, namely:— Insertion of new Part XI-A in Act XVI of 1908.

“PART XI-A.

Of the Copying of Documents by means of Photography.

¹ For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see B. G. C., 1930, Pt. V, p. 180; and for Proceedings in Council, see Bombay Legislative Council Debates, 1930, Vol. XXIX..

² The word “Indian” omitted by the Sind Laws (Adaptation, Revision, Repeal and Declaration) Ordinance, 1955 (Sind 5 of 1955), s. 4 (w. o. f. 30th May 1955).

³ Subs. *ibid.*, s. 3 (ii) (a) (w. o. f. 30th May 1955) for “Presidency of Bombay”.

⁴ The word “Indian” rep. *ibid.*, s. 6, Sch. II.

⁵ Subs. *ibid.*, s. 3 (f) (w. o. f. 30th May 1955), for “Bombay”.

⁶ Added to cl. (g) of s. 69 of the principal Act by Sind 18 of 1933, s. 2.

Application
of this part.

70-A. This part shall apply to the areas only in respect of which a notification is issued by the '[Provincial Government]' under section 70-C.

Definition.

70-B. For the purposes of this Part 'Photo-Registrar' means any person appointed by the '[Provincial Government]' to perform the duties of Photo-Registrar under this Part:

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Documents
may be
photograph-
ed in areas
notified by
Provincial
Government.

70-C. (1) The '[Provincial Government]' may, by notification in the '[Official Gazette]', direct that in any district or sub-district specified in the notification copies of documents admitted to registration under this Act shall be made by means of photography.

(2) On the issue of such notification it shall be translated into the vernacular of the district and shall be posted in a conspicuous place at the Registration offices affected by the notification.

Application
of Act to
areas notifi-
ed under
section 70-C.

70-D. In any district or sub-district in respect of which a notification has been issued under section 70-C the provisions of this Act shall, for the purposes of this Part, be subject to the following modifications, namely:—

(1) (a) every document admitted to registration under section 35 or section 41 shall be carefully marked with an identification stamp and the serial number of the document on every page.

(b) It shall then be transmitted by the registering officer to the Photo-Registrar, who shall cause, each side of each page of such document together with all stamps, endorsements, seals, signatures, thumb-impressions and certificates appearing thereon to be photographed without subtraction or alteration. He may for this purpose cut or untie, without breaking any seals, the thread or ribbon wherewith the pages of the document are sewn together in order to separate the pages of the document, and, as soon as the document has been photographed, he shall rebind the document exactly as before and if he has cut the thread or ribbon shall seal it over the joint with his seal:

Provided that before transmission of the document to the Photo-Registrar the party presenting the document may require the registering officer to have it copied by hand under section 52 on payment of an additional copying fee.

¹ Subs. by the A. O., 1937, for "L. G."

² Provision omitted by the (A. O.) Supplementary Order, 1937.

³ Subs. by the A. O., 1937, for "B. G. G."

(c) There shall then be prepared and preserved the negative and at least one photographic print and to each such negative and print the Photo-Registrar shall fix his signature and seal in token of the exact correspondence of the copy to the original document, as admitted for registration.

[Provided that when more than one such negative is recorded on one length of film and the Photo-Registrar has affixed his signature and seal at the end of such length of film certifying in the manner prescribed by rules made in this behalf, the exact correspondence of all copies on such length of film with the original documents, the Photo-Registrar shall be deemed to have affixed his signature and seal to each such negative on such length of film.]

(d) One set of such prints arranged in the order of their serial numbers shall be made up into books and sewn or bound together. To each such book the Registrar or Sub-Registrar shall prefix a certificate of the serial numbers it contains, and the books shall then be preserved in the records of the Sub-Registrar. The negatives shall be preserved in such suitable place as the Inspector-General may prescribe.

(2) All words and expressions used in the Act with reference to the making of copies of documents by hand or the entering or filing of documents or memorandum in books provided under section 16 shall, so far as may be necessary, be construed as referring to the making of such copies by means of photography or the entering or filing of documents or memoranda in books made up of copies prepared by means of photography.

(3) Where this Part applies the sections mentioned below shall be deemed to be modified as follows :—

(a) In section 19 the words 'and also by a true copy' shall be omitted ;

(b) sub-section (4) of section 21 shall be omitted ;

(c) the words 'according to the order of its admission' occurring in clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 52 shall be omitted ;

(d) section 53 shall be omitted ;

(e) in sub-section (r) of section 60 the words 'and page' shall be omitted ;

(f) sub-section (r) of section 61 shall be omitted ;

(g) in sub-section (r) of section 62,—

(i) for the word 'transcribed' the word 'copied' shall be substituted ; and

(ii) for the words and figures 'copy referred to in section 19' the words 'photograph of the original' shall be substituted."