

THE PUNJAB ALIENATION OF LAND ACT, 1900

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[19th October 1900]

An Act to amend the law relating to agricultural land in the Punjab

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the law relating to agricultural land in the Punjab;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

PRELIMINARY

1. Short title, extent and commencement.— (1) This Act may be called the ²[***] Punjab Alienation of Land Act, ³[***].

⁴[(2) It extends to ⁵[the Punjab] ⁶[***]].

(3) It shall come into force on such day⁷ as the ⁸[Provincial] Government may, by notification in the ⁹[Official Gazette], direct.

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

¹⁰[* * * * *]

(2) all expressions which are defined by section 4 of the Punjab Tenancy Act, 1887¹¹, or by section ¹²[4] of the ¹³Punjab Land Revenue Act, ¹⁴[1967 (XVII of 1967)], shall, subject to the provisions of this Act, have the meanings assigned to them in the said sections respectively; and the expressions “record-of-rights” and “¹⁵[periodical] record” shall have the meanings assigned to them respectively in Chapter ¹⁶[VI] of the said last-mentioned Act;

(3) the expression “land” means land which is not occupied as the site of any building in a town or village and is occupied or let for agricultural purposes or for purposes subservient to agriculture or for pasture, and includes—

(a) the sites of buildings and other structures on such land;

(b) a share in the profits of an estate or holding;

(c) any dues or any fixed percentage of the land-revenue payable by an inferior landowner to a superior landowner;

(d) a right to receive rent ¹⁷[* * *];

(e) any right to water enjoyed by the owner or occupier of land as such;

¹⁸[(f) any right of occupancy]; ¹⁹[and]

(g) all trees standing on such land;

²⁰[(4) the expression “permanent alienation” includes sales, exchanges, gifts, wills and grants of occupancy rights];

(5) the expression “usufructuary mortgage” means a mortgage by which the mortgagor delivers possession of the mortgaged land to the mortgagee and authorises him to retain such possession until payment of the mortgage-money, and to receive the rents and profits of the land and to appropriate them in lieu of interest or in payment of the mortgage-money or partly in lieu of interest and partly in payment of the mortgage money; ²¹[* * *]

(6) the expression “conditional sale” includes any agreement whereby in default of payment of the mortgage-money or interest at a certain time the land will be absolutely transferred to the mortgagee.

- ²²[(7) “Alienor” includes any person transferring an interest in land by sale, exchange, gift, will, mortgage, lease or farm, and lawful heirs and successors of any such person;
- (8) “²³[District Officer (Revenue)]” shall be deemed to be a Revenue Officer within the meaning of sections 19, 20 and 21 of this Act and shall include any officer specially appointed by the ²⁴[Board of Revenue] to perform the duties of a ²⁵[District Officer (Revenue)] for the purposes of sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 4, section 13-A, section 13-B and section 13-C, of this Act:
- Provided that the ²⁶[Board of Revenue] shall not appoint for this purpose an officer below the rank of an Assistant Collector, first grade].

²⁷[**2-A. Application of Act to sections 53 and 54, Act XVI, 1887.**— Notwithstanding anything contained in sections 53 and 54 of the Punjab Tenancy Act, 1887²⁸, when a land-lord makes a claim to exercise the rights thereby conferred upon him the provisions of this Act shall apply thereto].

PERMANENT ALIENATION OF LAND

3. Sanction of ²⁹[District Officer (Revenue)] required to certain permanent alienations.—(1) ³⁰[Save as hereinafter provided a] person who desires to make a permanent alienation of his land shall be at liberty to make such alienation where—

(a) the alienor is not a member of an agricultural tribe; or

³¹[* * * * *]

(c) the alienor is a member of an agricultural tribe and the alienee is a member of the same tribe or of a tribe in the same group.

³²[* * * * *]

(2) Except in the cases provided for in sub-section (1), a permanent alienation of land shall not take effect as such unless and until sanction is given thereto by a ³³[District Officer (Revenue)]:

³⁴[Provided that—

(1) sanction may be given after the act of alienation is otherwise completed, and

(2) sanction shall not be necessary in the case of—

(a) a sale of a right of occupancy by a tenant to his land-lord, or

(b) a gift made in good faith for a religious or charitable purpose, whether *inter vivos* or by will].

(3) The ³⁵[District Officer (Revenue)] shall inquire into the circumstances of the alienation and shall have discretion to grant or refuse the sanction required by sub-section (2).

³⁶[**3-A. Sanction of ³⁷[District Officer (Revenue)] required for an alienation to an agriculturist creditor in certain cases.**— Except with the sanction of the ³⁸[District Officer (Revenue)] as provided for in this Act, no member of an agricultural tribe shall make ³⁹[an alienation] of his land to a member of the same tribe or of a tribe in the same group who being a creditor has advanced to such person any loan, until such loan has been repaid or settled in full by the debtor and a period of three years has elapsed since repayment of settlement; provided that if the ⁴⁰[District Officer (Revenue)] after making such enquiries from the parties concerned as may be prescribed in this behalf by the ⁴¹[Board of Revenue] finds that an alienation has been made by a debtor to a person other than his creditor the effect of which is to pass the beneficial interest to such creditor in evasion of the provisions of this section, he shall, after recording his reasons by order in writing declare the alienation void and shall eject any person in occupation of the land by virtue of such alienation and shall place the alienor in possession thereof.

Explanation— In this section—

- ⁴²[(1) “An alienation” means a permanent alienation or an alienation in any form other than those permitted by section 6 of this Act].
- (2) The term “creditor” means a person or a firm carrying on the business of advancing loans and shall include the legal representative and the successor-in-interest whether by inheritance, assignment or otherwise, of such person or firm.
- (3) The terms “creditor” and “debtor” shall be deemed to include their husbands or wives as the case may be and all persons (including their husbands or wives as the case may be) who are descended from the grandfather of such creditor or debtor as the case may be.
- (4) The term “loan” means an advance whether secured or unsecured of money or in kind at interest [as defined in section 2(6) of the Punjab Regulation of Accounts Act, 1930 (I of 1930)] and shall include any transaction which ⁴³[the court or the ⁴⁴[District Officer (Revenue)], as the case may be] finds to be in substance a loan, but it shall not include—
- (i) an advance in kind made by a landlord to his tenant for the purposes of husbandry; provided the market value of the return in kind does not exceed the market value of the advance as estimated at the time of the advance;
 - (ii) a deposit of money or other property in a Government Post Office Bank, or any other Bank, or with a Company, or with a Co-operative Society or with any employer as security from his employees;
 - (iii) a loan to, or by, or a deposit with any society or association registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860⁴⁵, or under any other enactment;
 - (iv) a loan advanced by or to the ⁴⁶Central or any Provincial Government or by or to any local body under the authority of the ⁴⁷Central or any Provincial Government;
 - (v) a loan advanced by a Bank, a Co-operative Society or a Company whose accounts are subject to audit by a certificated auditor under the ⁴⁸[Companies Ordinance, 1984];
 - (vi) a loan advanced by a trader to a trader, in the regular course of business, in accordance with trade usage;
 - (vii) an advance made on the basis of a negotiable instrument as defined in the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881⁴⁹, other than a promissory note.
- (5) The terms “Bank”, “Company”, “Co-operative Societies” and “Traders” shall have the same meanings as are assigned to them in section 2 of the Punjab Regulation of Accounts Act, 1930⁵⁰].

⁵¹**[3-B. Ejectment of alienee.**— In case of any resistance to an order of ejectment passed under the provisions of section 3-A, the ⁵²[District Officer (Revenue)] may exercise all the powers conferred on a Civil Court by rules 97 and 98 of Order XXI of the Code of Civil Procedure.

3-C. Appeal.— Any person aggrieved by an order of the ⁵³[District Officer (Revenue)] under section 3-A or section 3-B may appeal to the ⁵⁴[Executive District Officer (Revenue)], provided that no appeal shall lie unless the appeal is instituted within thirty days of the order appealed against, excluding days required for obtaining copies of the order].

4. Agricultural tribes.— (1) The ⁵⁵[Board of Revenue] shall, by notification in the ⁵⁶[Official Gazette], ⁵⁷[* * *] determine what bodies of persons in any district or group of districts are to be deemed to be agricultural tribes or groups of agricultural tribes for the purposes of this Act.

⁵⁸[(2) If any question or doubt should arise as to whether a person is or is not a member of a notified agricultural tribe, the ⁵⁹[District Officer (Revenue)] shall, after such enquiry as may be prescribed, determine whether that person is to be deemed to be a member of the said agricultural tribe for the purposes of this Act.

(3) In passing an order under the above sub-section the ⁶⁰[District Officer (Revenue)] shall not be bound by any decree of a Civil Court, and may review any order previously passed under that sub-section:

Provided that nothing in this section shall affect a decree passed in a suit instituted before the 15th June, 1938].

5. Saving for rights in land alienated.— When a ⁶¹[District Officer (Revenue)] sanctions a permanent alienation of land, his order shall not be taken to decide or affect any question of title, or any question relating to any reversionary right or right of pre-emption.

TEMPORARY ALIENATION OF LAND

6. Forms of mortgage permitted in certain cases.— (1) If a member of an agricultural tribe mortgages his land and the mortgagee is not a member of the same tribe, or of a tribe in the same group, the mortgage shall be made in one of the following forms:-

- (a) in the form of a usufructuary mortgage, by which the mortgagor delivers possession of the land to the mortgagee and authorises him to retain such possession and to receive the rents and profits of the land in lieu of interest and towards payment of the principal, on condition that after the expiry of the term agreed on, or (if no term is agreed on, or if the term agreed on exceeds twenty years) after the expiry of twenty years, the land shall be re-delivered to the mortgagor; or
- (b) in the form of a mortgage without possession, subject to the condition that, if the mortgagor fails to pay principal and interest according to his contract, the mortgagee may apply to the ⁶²[District Officer (Revenue)] to place him in possession for such term, not exceeding twenty years, as the ⁶³[District Officer (Revenue)] may consider to be equitable, the mortgage to be treated as a usufructuary mortgage for the term of the mortgagee's possession and for such sum as may be due to the mortgagee on account of the balance of principal due and of interest due not exceeding the amount claimable as simple interest at such rate and for such period as the ⁶⁴[District Officer (Revenue)] thinks reasonable; or
- (c) in the form of a written usufructuary mortgage by which the mortgagor recognises the mortgagee as a landlord and himself remains in cultivating occupancy of the land as a tenant subject to the payment of rent at such rate as may be agreed upon not exceeding sixteen annas per rupee of the amount of the land-revenue in addition to the amount of the land-revenue of the tenancy and the rates and cesses chargeable thereon and for such term as may be agreed on, the mortgagor having no right to alienate his right of cultivating occupancy and the mortgagee having no right to eject the mortgagor unless on the grounds mentioned in section 39 of the Punjab Tenancy Act, 1887⁶⁵; or
- (d) in any form which the ⁶⁶[Board of Revenue] may, by general or special order, permit to be used.

(2) If in the case of a mortgage in form (c) the mortgagor is ejected or relinquishes or abandons cultivating occupancy of the land, the mortgage shall take effect as a usufructuary mortgage in form (a) for such term not exceeding twenty years from the date of ejection,

relinquishment or abandonment, and for such sum of money as the ⁶⁷[District Officer (Revenue)] considers to be reasonable.

⁶⁸[(3) The ⁶⁹[District Officer (Revenue)], if he accepts the application of a mortgagee under sub-section (1) (b) shall have power to eject the mortgagor, and as against the mortgagor to place the mortgagee in possession].

7. Rules applying to permitted mortgages.— In the case of mortgages made under section 6—

- (1) no interest shall accrue during the period for which the mortgagee is in possession of the land or in receipt of rent;
- (2) if the mortgage is in form (a) or form (b), then at the end of such period of possession the mortgage debt shall be extinguished;
- (3) the mortgagor may redeem his land at any time during the currency of the mortgage, on payment of the mortgage-debt or, in the case of a mortgage in form (a) or form (b), of such proportion of the mortgage-debt as the ⁷⁰[District Officer (Revenue)] determines to be equitable; and
- (4) in the case of a usufructuary mortgage, the mortgagor shall not be deemed to bind himself personally to repay the mortgage-money;
- ⁷¹[(5) if a mortgagor who has applied to the ⁷²[District Officer (Revenue)] under sub-section (3) proves to the satisfaction of the ⁷³[District Officer (Revenue)] that he has paid the mortgage-debt or such proportion of the mortgage-debt as the ⁷⁴[District Officer (Revenue)] has determined to be equitable, or deposits with the ⁷⁵[District Officer (Revenue)] the amount of such mortgage-debt or of such proportion thereof, the redemption of the land shall be deemed to have taken place, and the ⁷⁶[District Officer (Revenue)] shall have power to eject the mortgagee, if in possession, and as against the mortgagee to place the mortgagor in possession].

8. Conditions in permitted mortgages.— (1) In a mortgage made under section 6, the following conditions may be added by agreement between the parties:-

- (a) a condition fixing the time of the agricultural year at which a mortgagor redeeming his land may resume possession thereof;
- (b) conditions limiting the right of a mortgagor or mortgagee in possession to cut, sell or mortgage trees or to do any act affecting the permanent value of the land; and
- (c) any condition which the ⁷⁷[Board of Revenue] by general or special order may declare to be admissible.

(2) In mortgages made under section 6 any condition not permitted by or under this Act shall be null and void.

⁷⁸**8-A. Injury to land not permitted.**— The express permission in writing of an owner of land attested by a revenue officer shall be necessary in order to enable a mortgagee or lessee or person holding a farm thereof, to commit any act which is destructive of, or permanently injurious to, the land for purposes of agriculture; and no court, or Official Receiver acting or purporting to act on behalf of the owner, shall be empowered to give such permission without the consent in writing of the owner, or the insolvent, as the case may be.

Explanation— The word “owner” in this section shall include any other person authorised by law to act in this behalf].

9. Power to revise mortgage made in form not permitted.— (1) If a member of an agricultural tribe makes a mortgage of his land in any manner or form not permitted by or under

this Act, the ⁷⁹[District Officer (Revenue)] shall have authority to revise and alter the terms of the mortgage so as to bring it into accordance with such form of mortgage permitted by or under this Act as the mortgagee appears to him to be equitably entitled to claim.

(2) If a member of an agricultural tribe has before the commencement of this Act made a mortgage of his land in which there is a condition intended to operate by way of conditional sale, the ⁸⁰[District Officer (Revenue)] shall be empowered at any time during the currency of the mortgage to put the mortgagee to his election whether he will agree to the said condition being struck out, or to accept in lieu of the said mortgage a mortgage which may at the mortgagee's option be either in form (a) or in form (b) as permitted by section 6 and which shall be made for such period not exceeding the period permitted by the said section and for such sum of money as the ⁸¹[District Officer (Revenue)] considers to be reasonable.

(3) If proceedings for the enforcement of a condition intended to operate by way of conditional sale are instituted or are pending at the commencement of this Act in any Civil Court, or if a suit is instituted in any Civil Court on a mortgage to which sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) applies the Court shall refer the case to the ⁸²[District Officer (Revenue)] with a view to the exercise of the power conferred by the sub-section applying thereto.

⁸³(4) When a mortgagee put to his election under sub-section (2) agrees to accept in lieu of his mortgage, a mortgage in form (a) or in form (b) as permitted by section 6 for the period and for the sum of money considered by the ⁸⁴[District Officer (Revenue)] to be reasonable, and the mortgagor cannot be found, or fails to appear when duly served with notice to do so, or refuses or neglects to execute such mortgage the ⁸⁵[District Officer (Revenue)] shall have authority to execute such mortgage on such terms as to costs as he may fix, and the mortgage so executed shall have effect as if it had been executed by the mortgagor. The ⁸⁶[District Officer (Revenue)] may for any reason which he deems sufficient set aside any *ex parte* proceedings taken under this sub-section].

10. Future mortgage by way of conditional sale not permitted.— In any mortgage of land made after the commencement of this Act any condition which is intended to operate by way of conditional sale shall be null and void.

11. Leases and farms.— Any member of an agricultural tribe may make a lease or farm of his land for any term not exceeding twenty years, and any lease or farm made by a member of an agricultural tribe for a longer term than twenty years shall, if the lessee or farmer is not a member of the same tribe or of a tribe in the same group, be deemed to be a lease or farm for the term permitted by this section.

12. Restriction on power to make further temporary alienation.— (1) During the currency of a mortgage made under section 6 in form (a) or form (b) or of a lease or farm under this Act, the owner shall be at liberty to make a further temporary alienation of the same land for such term as together with the term of the current mortgage, lease or farm will make up a term not exceeding the full term of twenty years.

(2) Any such further temporary alienation, if made for a longer term than is permitted by this section, shall be deemed to be a temporary alienation for the term permitted by this section.

13. Ejectment of mortgagee, lessee or farmer remaining in possession after term.— If a mortgagee, lessee or farmer holding possession under a mortgage made under section 6 or under a lease or farm made under section 11 or under a mortgage, lease or farm made under section 12 remains in possession after the expiry of the term for which he is entitled to hold under his mortgage, lease or farm, the ⁸⁷[District Officer (Revenue)] may, of his own motion or on the application of the person entitled to possession, eject such mortgagee, lessee or farmer and place the person so entitled in possession.

⁸⁸[13-A. Benami transactions intended to evade the provisions of the Act to be void.—

(1) When a sale, exchange, gift, will, mortgage, lease or farm purports to be made either before or after the commencement of the Punjab Alienation of Land (Second Amendment) Act, 1938, by a member of an agricultural tribe to a member of the same agricultural tribe or of a tribe in the same group, but the effect of the transaction is to pass the beneficial interest to a person who is not a member of the same tribe or of a tribe in the same group, the transaction shall be void for all purposes, and the alienor shall be entitled to possession of the land so alienated, notwithstanding the fact that he may have himself intended to evade the provisions of this Act.

Explanation— Any alienation made in consequence of a transaction rendered void by this sub-section shall also be deemed void for all purposes.

(2) If the ⁸⁹[District Officer (Revenue)] either of his own motion or on the application of the alienor, is satisfied after making such enquiries as may be prescribed from the parties concerned, and recording evidence that an alienation is void under the provisions of the preceding sub-section he shall, by order in writing, after recording his reasons, eject any person in occupation of the land under such sale, exchange, gift, will, mortgage, lease or farm and place the alienor in possession:

Provided that the ⁹⁰[District Officer (Revenue)] may, in ordering the ejectment of a person who is a *bona fide* transferee for consideration before the 20th June, 1938, and is in occupation of such land, allow to any such person, other than the original transferee, compensation for improvements (as defined in section 4 of the Punjab Tenancy Act, 1887⁹¹, effected by him while in occupation, up to a sum not exceeding in value the consideration for the original transaction. Such compensation shall be assessed by the ⁹²[District Officer (Revenue)] on such principles as may be prescribed, and shall be deposited by the alienor, and paid to the persons so ejected, in such manner as may be prescribed.

(3) For the purpose of enforcing an order under sub-section (2) the ⁹³[District Officer (Revenue)] may exercise all the powers of a Civil Court conferred by Order 21, Rules 97 and 98 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

13-B. Appeals.— An appeal shall lie from any order passed, whether in original or on review by a ⁹⁴[District Officer (Revenue)] under section 4 or section 13-A, as follows, namely:-

- (a) to the ⁹⁵[Executive District Officer (Revenue)] when the order is passed by the ⁹⁶[District Officer (Revenue)];
- (b) to the ⁹⁷[Board of Revenue] ⁹⁸[only on a point of law] when the order is passed by the ⁹⁹[Executive District Officer (Revenue)].

13-C. Revision.— The ¹⁰⁰[Board of Revenue] may at any time call for the record of any proceedings pending before or disposed of by the ¹⁰¹[District Officer (Revenue)] under section 4 or section 13-A and shall pass such orders as ¹⁰²[it] thinks fit:

Provided that ¹⁰³[it] shall not under this section pass any order reversing or modifying any such order without giving the persons concerned an opportunity of being heard.

13-D. Limitation for appeal.— The period of limitation for an appeal under section 13-B, shall run from the date of the order appealed against and shall be as follows:-

- (a) when the appeal lies to the ¹⁰⁴[Executive District Officer (Revenue)], sixty days,
- (b) when the appeal lies to the ¹⁰⁵[Board of Revenue], ninety days.

The provisions of section 5 and 12 of the ¹⁰⁶[* * *] Limitation Act, 1908¹⁰⁷, shall apply for the purpose of computing the period of limitation].

¹⁰⁸[13-E. **Bar to jurisdiction of Civil Courts.**— A Civil Court shall not have jurisdiction in any matter of which the ¹⁰⁹[District Officer (Revenue)] is empowered to dispose under section 13-A or take cognizance of the manner in which he exercises any power vested in him by that section].

GENERAL PROVISIONS

14. Effect of permanent alienation made without sanction.— Any permanent alienation which under section 3 ¹¹⁰[or 3-A] is not to take effect as such until the sanction of a ¹¹¹[District Officer (Revenue)] is given thereto shall, until such sanction is given or if such sanction has been refused, take effect as a usufructuary mortgage in form (a) permitted by section 6 for such term not exceeding twenty years and on such conditions as the ¹¹²[District Officer (Revenue)] considers to be reasonable.

15. Sanction of ¹¹³[District Officer (Revenue)] required to certain alienations of, or charges on, produce of land.— Every agreement whereby a member of an agricultural tribe purports to alienate or charge the produce of his land or any part of, or share in, such produce for more than one year shall not take effect for more than one year from the date of the agreement unless the sanction of a ¹¹⁴[District Officer (Revenue)] is given thereto, and shall, until such sanction is given or if such sanction is refused, take effect as if it had been made for one year.

Explanation— The produce of land means—

- (a) crops and other products of the earth standing or ungathered on the holding;
- (b) crops and other products of the earth which have been grown on the land during the past year and have been reaped or gathered.

16. Execution-sale of land forbidden.— (1) No land belonging to a member of an agricultural tribe shall be sold in execution of any decree or order of any civil or revenue court, whether made before or after the commencement of this Act.

¹¹⁵(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other enactment for the time being in force no land belonging to a member of an agricultural tribe shall, in execution of any decree or order of any civil or revenue court, whether made before or after the enactment of this sub-section, be leased or farmed for a period exceeding 20 years or mortgaged except in one of the forms permitted by section 6].

¹¹⁶[And, if the land is already under lease, farm or mortgage, the period of the lease, farm or mortgage made by the court shall not exceed the period, if any, remaining after the total period of the existing lease, farm or mortgage is deducted from the period of twenty years:

Provided that the period of any lease, farm or mortgage, made by the owner (a) subsequent to the institution of the proceedings which have led to the decree or order in execution of which the land is being alienated by the court, or (b) within twelve months, previous to the institution of proceedings referred to in (a) above and proved to be of a fraudulent and collusive character, shall not be so deducted].

¹¹⁷[(2-A) Every lease, farm or mortgage made under sub-section (2) shall be determinable at any time by owner of that land by tendering to the ¹¹⁸[District Officer (Revenue)] an amount which shall bear to the amount in consideration for which transfer has been made the same proportion as the unexpired period of transfer bears to the total period for which the transfer has been made.

Explanation— Lease includes a temporary alienation of land in satisfaction of a money decree.

(2-B) The ¹¹⁹[District Officer (Revenue)] shall give notice to the parties and after hearing them and recording such evidence as may be produced shall determine the amount to be tendered under sub-section (2-A).

(2-C) When the amount as determined has been deposited with the ¹²⁰[District Officer (Revenue)] he shall make an order that the lease, farm or mortgage be immediately determined; that the owner be put in possession as against the lessee, farmer or mortgagee; and that the amount in deposit be paid to the person entitled.

(2-D) For the purpose of enforcing an order under sub-section (2-C) the ¹²¹[District Officer (Revenue)] may exercise all the powers of a civil court conferred by Order XXI, Rules 97 and 98 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

(2-E) A Civil Court shall not have jurisdiction in any matter of which the ¹²²[District Officer (Revenue)] is empowered to dispose under sub-sections (2-A), (2-B), (2-C) and (2-D) or take cognizance of the manner in which he exercises any power vested in him by these sub-sections.

(2-F) The order of the ¹²³[District Officer (Revenue)] shall be subject to appeal or revision in the manner and to the extent prescribed in sections 13-B and 13-C and the period of limitation shall be as laid down in section 13-D].

¹²⁴[(3)] Nothing in this section shall affect the right of ¹²⁵[any Government] to recover arrears of land-revenue, or any dues which are recoverable as arrears of land-revenue, in any manner now permitted by law.

17. Registration.— Notwithstanding anything in the ¹²⁶Indian Registration Act, 1877, or in any rule made under section 59 of that Act,—

- (1) an instrument which contravenes any provision of this Act shall not be admitted to registration;
- (2) an instrument which records or gives effect to any transaction which requires the sanction of a ¹²⁷[District Officer (Revenue)] shall not be admitted to registration until a certified copy of the order giving such sanction is produced to the officer empowered to register such instrument.

18. Record-of-rights and [periodical] record.— (1) Where, by reason of any transaction which under this Act requires the sanction of a ¹²⁸[District Officer (Revenue)], a person claims to have acquired a right the acquisition whereof he is bound to report under section ¹²⁹[42] of the ¹³⁰Punjab Land Revenue Act, ¹³¹[1967 (XVII of 1967)], such person shall, in making his report, state whether the sanction required has been obtained or not, and his right so acquired shall not be entered in the record-of-rights or in any [periodical] record until he produces such evidence of the order by which such sanction is given as may be required by any rules made under this Act.

(2) No right claimed by reason of any transaction or condition which is declared by this Act to be null and void shall be entered in the record-of-rights or in any ¹³²[periodical] record.

19. Application of certain provisions of the Punjab Land Revenue Act, ¹³³[1967 (XVII of 1967)].— Subject to the provisions of this Act, the provisions of Chapter ¹³⁴[III] of the Punjab Land Revenue Act, ¹³⁵[1967 (XVII of 1967)], shall, in so far as they are applicable, apply to the proceedings of Revenue Officer under this Act.

20. Appearance of legal practitioners forbidden.— No legal practitioner shall appear on behalf of any party interested in any proceeding before a Revenue Officer under this Act.

Explanation— The term “legal practitioner” includes a mukhtar.

21. Jurisdiction of Civil Courts excluded.— (1) A Civil Court shall not have jurisdiction in any matter which the ¹³⁶[Provincial Government] or a Revenue Officer is empowered by this Act to dispose of.

(2) No Civil Court shall take cognizance of the manner in which the ¹³⁷[Provincial Government] or any Revenue Officer exercises any power vested in it or in him by or under this Act.

¹³⁸**[21-A. Civil Court to send copy of decree or order to ¹³⁹[District Officer (Revenue)].**—(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the ¹⁴⁰Code of Civil Procedure or in any other Act for the time being in force, every Civil Court which passes a decree or order involving (1) the permanent alienation of his land by a member of an agricultural tribe, or (2) the mortgage by a member of an agricultural tribe of his land when the mortgagee is not a member of the same tribe or of a tribe in the same group, shall send to the ¹⁴¹[District Officer (Revenue)] a copy of such decree or order.

(2) **Action to be taken by ¹⁴²[District Officer (Revenue)] when decree or order passed contrary to Act.**— When it appears to the ¹⁴³[District Officer (Revenue)] that any Civil Court has either before or after the date when this section comes into operation, passed a decree or order contrary to any of the provisions of this Act, the ¹⁴⁴[District Officer (Revenue)] may apply for the revision of such decree or order to the Court, if any, to which an appeal would lie from such decree or order or in which an appeal could have been instituted at the time when the decree or order was passed or in any other case to the ¹⁴⁵[High Court]. And when the Court finds that such decree or order is contrary to any of the provisions of this Act it shall alter it so as to make it consistent with this Act. Such application shall be made within two months of the date upon which the ¹⁴⁶[District Officer (Revenue)] is informed of such decree or order.

(3) When any such Appellate Court passes an order, rejecting such application, the ¹⁴⁷[District Officer (Revenue)] may, within two months after the date upon which he is informed of such order, apply to the ¹⁴⁸[High Court] for revision thereof.

(4) Every Civil Court which passes an order on any application made under this section shall forthwith send a copy thereof to the ¹⁴⁹[District Officer (Revenue)].

(5) No stamp shall be required upon such applications, and the provisions of the Code of Civil Procedure¹⁵⁰, as regards appeals shall apply so far as may be to the procedure of the Court on receipt of such application:

Provided that no appearance by or on behalf of the ¹⁵¹[District Officer (Revenue)] shall be deemed necessary for the disposal of the application].

¹⁵²**[22. Addition to section 77 of Act XVI of 1887.-***].**

23. Exercise of powers of ¹⁵³[District Officer (Revenue)].— The powers conferred by this Act upon a ¹⁵⁴[District Officer (Revenue)] may be exercised by a Revenue Officer of higher rank, or by any officer authorised by the ¹⁵⁵[Board of Revenue] in this behalf.

24. Exemption.— The ¹⁵⁶[Board of Revenue] ¹⁵⁷[* * *] may, by notification in the ¹⁵⁸[Official Gazette], exempt any district or part of a district or any person or class of persons from the operation of this Act or of any of the provisions thereof.

25. Power to make rules.— (1) The ¹⁵⁹[Provincial Government] may make rules for carrying into effect the purposes of this Act.

(2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, the ¹⁶⁰[Provincial Government] may make rules prescribing the Revenue Officers to whom applications may be made, and the manner and form in which such applications shall be made and disposed of.

¹ For Statement of Objects and Reasons, *see* Gazette of India, 1899, Pt. V, p. 135; for report of the Select Committee, *see ibid.*, 1900, Pt. V, p. 91; and for further report, *see ibid.*, p. 107; for proceedings in Council, *see ibid.*, 1899, Pt. VI, p. 216; and *ibid.*, 1900, pp. 168, 177 and 193.

² The words “West Punjab” were substituted for “Punjab” by the Adaptation of Central Acts and Ordinances Order, 1949 (G.G.O. 4 of 1949); but, the word “West” was, later on, deleted by the Punjab Laws (Adaptation) Order, 1974 (Pb. A. O. 1 of 1974).

³ The figure, “1900”, deleted by the Adaptation of Central Acts and Ordinances Order, 1949 (G.G.O. 4 of 1949).

⁴ Substituted *ibid.*

⁵ Substituted by the Federal Laws (Revision and Declaration) Act, 1951 (XXVI of 1951), for “West Punjab”.

⁶ The words, “and North-West Frontier”, deleted by the Punjab Laws (Adaptation) Order, 1974 (Pb. A. O. 1 of 1974). The word, “Province”, occurring after “Frontier” was deleted by the West Pakistan Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance, 1960 (XXI of 1960).

⁷ Came into force on the 8th June 1901, *see* Gazette of India, 1901, Pt. I, p. 382.

⁸ Substituted by the Punjab Laws (Adaptation) Order, 1974 (Pb. A. O. 1 of 1974), for “Central”.

⁹ Substituted by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Order, 1937 as amended by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Supplementary Order, 1937, for “Gazette of India”.

¹⁰ Cl. (1) of section 2 and the provisos were repealed in the Punjab by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1907 (I of 1907), section 2 (1).

¹¹ XVI of 1887.

¹² Substituted for the figure “3”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹³ XVII of 1887, subsequently repealed by the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1967 (XVII of 1967).

¹⁴ Substituted for the figure “1887”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹⁵ Substituted *ibid.*, for the word “annual”.

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, for “IV”.

¹⁷ The word “and” was repealed by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1936 (VII of 1936).

¹⁸ Inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1907 (I of 1907), section 2.

¹⁹ Inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1936 (VII of 1936).

²⁰ Substituted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1907 (I of 1907).

²¹ The word, “and”, deleted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Second Amendment) Act, 1938 (X of 1938).

²² Inserted *ibid.*

²³ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

²⁴ Substituted by the West Pakistan (Adaptation and Repeal of Laws) Act, 1957 (XVI of 1957), for “Provincial Government”.

²⁵ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief

Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

²⁶ *Ibid.*

²⁷ Inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1907 (I of 1907).

²⁸ XVI of 1887.

²⁹ Substituted for the words "Deputy Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

³⁰ Substituted for "A" by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Third Amendment) Act, 1938 (V of 1938).

³¹ Cl. (b) and proviso to Cl. (c), repealed by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1907 (I of 1907).

³² *Ibid.*

³³ Substituted for the words "Deputy Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

³⁴ Substituted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1907 (I of 1907).

³⁵ Substituted for the words "Deputy Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

³⁶ Added by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Third Amendment) Act, 1938 (V of 1938).

³⁷ Substituted for the words "Deputy Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

³⁸ *Ibid.*

³⁹ Substituted for the words "a permanent alienation", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Fourth Amendment) Act, 1938 (VIII of 1938).

⁴⁰ Substituted for the words "Deputy Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁴¹ Substituted for the words "Provincial Government", by the West Pakistan (Adaptation and Repeal of Laws) Act, 1957 (XVI of 1957).

⁴² Substituted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Fourth Amendment) Act, 1938 (VIII of 1938).

⁴³ Substituted for the words "a Court", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1940 (VIII of 1940).

⁴⁴ Substituted for the words "Deputy Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁴⁵ XXI of 1860.

⁴⁶ Now 'Federal', see P.O. 4 of 1975.

⁴⁷ *Ibid.*

⁴⁸ Substituted for the words "Indian Companies Act, 1913", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief

Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁴⁹ XXVI of 1881.

⁵⁰ I of 1930.

⁵¹ Sections 3-B and 3-C, inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Fourth Amendment) Act, 1938 (VIII of 1938).

⁵² The words "Deputy Commissioner" were first substituted for the word "Collector" by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1940 (VIII of 1940), and now for the words "Deputy Commissioner" by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁵³ *Ibid.*

⁵⁴ Substituted for the word "Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁵⁵ Substituted for "Provincial Government", by the West Pakistan (Adaptation and Repeal of Laws) Act, 1957 (XVI of 1957). The words, "Provincial Government", were earlier substituted for "Local Government", by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Order, 1937 as amended by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Supplementary Order, 1937.

⁵⁶ Substituted for "Local Official Gazette", by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Order, 1937 as amended by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Supplementary Order, 1937.

⁵⁷ The words "published with the previous sanction of the Governor General in Council", repealed by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1907 (I of 1907).

⁵⁸ Added by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Second Amendment) Act, 1938 (X of 1938).

⁵⁹ Substituted for the words "Deputy Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁶⁰ *Ibid.*

⁶¹ *Ibid.*

⁶² *Ibid.*

⁶³ *Ibid.*

⁶⁴ *Ibid.*

⁶⁵ XVI of 1887.

⁶⁶ Substituted for "Provincial Government", by the West Pakistan (Adaptation and Repeal of Laws) Act, 1957 (XVI of 1957). The words "Provincial Government" were earlier substituted for "Local Government", by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Order, 1937 as amended by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Supplementary Order, 1937.

⁶⁷ Substituted for the words "Deputy Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁶⁸ Inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1907 (I of 1907).

⁶⁹ Substituted for the words "Deputy Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁷⁰ *Ibid.*

⁷¹ Inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1907 (I of 1907).

⁷² Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁷³ *Ibid.*

⁷⁴ *Ibid.*

⁷⁵ *Ibid.*

⁷⁶ *Ibid.*

⁷⁷ Substituted for “Provincial Government”, by the West Pakistan (Adaptation and Repeal of Laws) Act, 1957 (XVI of 1957). The words “Provincial Government” were earlier substituted, for “Local Government”, by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Order, 1937 as amended by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Supplementary Order, 1937.

⁷⁸ Inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1938 (II of 1938).

⁷⁹ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁸⁰ *Ibid.*

⁸¹ *Ibid.*

⁸² *Ibid.*

⁸³ Inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1907 (I of 1907).

⁸⁴ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁸⁵ *Ibid.*

⁸⁶ *Ibid.*

⁸⁷ *Ibid.*

⁸⁸ Sections 13-A to 13-D, inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Second Amendment) Act, 1938 (X of 1938).

⁸⁹ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁹⁰ *Ibid.*

⁹¹ XVI of 1887.

⁹² Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁹³ *Ibid.*

⁹⁴ *Ibid.*

⁹⁵ *Substituted ibid*, for the word “Commissioner”.s

⁹⁶ *Ibid.*

⁹⁷ Substituted for the words “Financial Commissioner”, by the West Pakistan (Adaptation and Repeal of Laws) Act, 1957 (XVI of 1957).

⁹⁸ Substituted for the word “Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

⁹⁹ Inserted by the West Pakistan (Adaptation and Repeal of Laws) Act, 1957 (XVI of 1957).

¹⁰⁰ Substituted *ibid*.

¹⁰¹ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹⁰² Substituted for the word “he”, by the West Pakistan (Adaptation and Repeal of Laws) Act, 1957 (XVI of 1957).

¹⁰³ *Ibid*.

¹⁰⁴ Substituted for the word “Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹⁰⁵ Substituted for the words “Financial Commissioner”, by the West Pakistan (Adaptation and Repeal of Laws) Act, 1957 (XVI of 1957).

¹⁰⁶ The word “Indian”, omitted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹⁰⁷ Now the Limitation Act, 1908.

¹⁰⁸ Inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1940 (VIII of 1940).

¹⁰⁹ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹¹⁰ Inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Third Amendment) Act, 1938 (V of 1938).

¹¹¹ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹¹² *Ibid*.

¹¹³ *Ibid*.

¹¹⁴ *Ibid*.

¹¹⁵ Added by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1931 (I of 1931).

¹¹⁶ Added by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1938 (II of 1938).

¹¹⁷ Sub-sections (2-A) to (2-F), inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1940 (VIII of 1940).

¹¹⁸ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹¹⁹ *Ibid.*

¹²⁰ *Ibid.*

¹²¹ *Ibid.*

¹²² *Ibid.*

¹²³ *Ibid.*

¹²⁴ Re-numbered by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1931 (I of 1931).

¹²⁵ Substituted by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Order, 1937 as amended by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Supplementary Order, 1937, for “Government”.

¹²⁶ Now the Registration Act 1908 (XVI of 1908).

¹²⁷ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹²⁸ *Ibid.*

¹²⁹ The figure “34”, substituted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001), which will remain in force under the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order 1999 (9 of 1999), Article 4, notwithstanding the maximum limit of three months prescribed under Article 128 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

¹³⁰ Replaced by the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1967 (XVII of 1967).

¹³¹ The figures “1887”, substituted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹³² The word “annual” substituted *ibid.*

¹³³ The figures “1887” substituted *ibid.*

¹³⁴ The figures “II” substituted *ibid.*

¹³⁵ The figures “1887” substituted *ibid.*

¹³⁶ Substituted by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Order, 1937 as amended by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Supplementary Order, 1937, for “Local Government”.

¹³⁷ *Ibid.*

¹³⁸ Section 21-A, inserted by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Act, 1907 (I of 1907).

¹³⁹ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹⁴⁰ XIV of 1882, subsequently replaced the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 (V of 1908).

¹⁴¹ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹⁴² *Ibid.*

¹⁴³ *Ibid.*

¹⁴⁴ *Ibid.*

¹⁴⁵ Substituted for “Chief Court”, by Act XVIII of 1919.

¹⁴⁶ Substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner”, by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive’s Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief

Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹⁴⁷ *Ibid.*

¹⁴⁸ Substituted for "Chief Court", by Act XVIII of 1919.

¹⁴⁹ Substituted for the words "Deputy Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

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¹⁵² Repealed by the Repealing Act, 1938 (I of 1938), s. 2 and Sch.

¹⁵³ Substituted for the words "Deputy Commissioner", by the Punjab Alienation of Land (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (XXXVI of 2001) which was protected and continued under the Provisional Constitutional Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 1 of 1999) as amended by the Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order, 1999 (Chief Executive's Order 9 of 1999) and Article 270AA of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan as substituted by the Constitution (Eighteenth Amendment) Act, 2010.

¹⁵⁴ *Ibid.*

¹⁵⁵ Substituted for the words "Provincial Government", by the West Pakistan (Adaptation and Repeal of Laws) Act, 1957 (XVI of 1957). The words "Provincial Government" were earlier substituted, for "Local Government", by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Order, 1937 as amended by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Supplementary Order, 1937.

¹⁵⁶ *Ibid.*

¹⁵⁷ The words, "with the previous sanction of the Governor-General in Council", repealed by the Devolution Act, 1920 (XXXVIII of 1920).

¹⁵⁸ Substituted for "Local Official Gazette", by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Order, 1937 as amended by the Government of India (Adaptation of Indian Laws) Supplementary Order, 1937.

¹⁵⁹ Substituted *ibid.*, for "Local Government".

¹⁶⁰ *Ibid.*