

THE BURMA LAWS (ADAPTATION) ACT, 1940.

[BURMA ACT XXVII, 1940.] (2nd November, 1940.)

An Act to re-state the existing laws with amendments not affecting the substance.

1. The enactments set out in the Schedule¹ shall be amended in the manner specified therein.

2. The enactments mentioned in the Schedule shall be known by the titles printed in italics in the Schedule, and such titles shall be substituted for references to such enactments in other enactments; and all provisions which state the short-title by which an enactment may be called shall be omitted.

3. The dates on which the enactments came into force shall be stated under their titles; and clauses which merely state the date of an enactment or that it comes into force at once shall be omitted.

4. The long-titles of the enactments shall be omitted.

THE BURMA INDEMNITY AND VALIDATING ACT, 1945.

[BURMA ACT XVIII, 1945.] (3rd October, 1945.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is necessary to indemnify servants of the Government and other persons in respect of acts and things ordered or done or purporting to have been ordered or done in the reasonable belief that such acts and things were necessary for the execution of their duty or for the purpose of prosecuting the war or maintaining or restoring order or for enforcing discipline or ensuring public safety or maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community or for the defence of the Union of Burma or otherwise in the public interest;

AND WHEREAS it is also necessary to validate certain proclamations, orders, rules, regulations and legislative acts made or issued, and sentences, judgments and orders passed, given or made, by or under the authority of servants of the Government and other persons exercising or purporting to exercise authority in the Union of Burma under the above circumstances:

* * * * It is hereby enacted as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be called the Burma Indemnity and Validating Act, 1945.

Definitions.

2. In this Act—

(a) "act", used with reference to an offence or a civil wrong, shall include a series of acts, and words which refer to acts done extend also to omissions;

¹ The Schedule to this Act is not reprinted because it is purely in the nature of a Repealing and Amending Act. The necessary amendments have been made in their appropriate places.

² Published in Home Department Notification No. 132, dated the 3rd October, 1945.