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#### THE HYDERABAD CITY POLICE ACT, 1348 F.1

#### ACT No.IX OF 1348 F.

#### CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY.

This Act may be called the Hyderabad City Police Act Short title, and shall come into force from the date of its publication in the <sup>2</sup>[Official Gazette] within the limits which are now prescribed for City Police or which the Government may, from time to time, prescribe.

commencement and extent.

2. (1) On the commencement of this Act all enactments which are inconsistent with a repetition of the provisions of this Act shall be deemed to have been repealed.

Repeal of previous enactments.

- (2) All rules and certificates issued, appointments made, powers conferred and orders issued under the previous enactments before the commencement of this Act shall, so far as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be deemed to have been issued, made, conferred and issued under this Act.
- 3. In this Act unless there is something repugnant in the **Definitions**. subject or context:-
- (a) the words "complaint," "investigation," "offence," "cognizable offence," "non-cognizable offence," "bailable

<sup>1.</sup> The Hyderabad City Police Act, 1348 F. in force in the combined State, as on 02.06.2014, has been adapted to the State of Telangana, under section 101 of the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014 (Central Act 6 of 2014) vide. the Telangana Adaptation of Laws (No.2) Order, 2016, issued in G.O.Ms.No.46, Law (F) Department, dated 01.06.2016.

<sup>2.</sup> Substituted for the word "Jarida" by the Andhra Pradesh Adaptation of Laws Order (A.P.A.O.), 1957.

Central Act 5 of 1898.

offence," "non-bailable offence" "officer in charge of police station" shall respectively have the meanings assigned to them in <sup>3</sup>[the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898];

- (b) "Police officer" shall be deemed to include every member of the City Police force appointed under this Act and shall also include the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] Deputy or Assistant Commissioner of Police, and subject to the provisions of sub-section (2) of section 9 and sub-section (2) of section 10 shall also include every person who has been appointed as an additional or special Police officer;
- (c) "officer in-charge of section" shall include, when the Inspector of the section is absent or unable from illness or other cause to perform his duties, the next senior Police officer in the section or such other officer as the officer of the Division may, with the sanction of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] appoint in this behalf;
- (d) the word "cattle" shall have the same meaning as defined in sub-section (45a) of section 2 of <sup>4</sup>[the Telangana General Clauses Act, 1308 F.];
- (e) **"prescribed"** means prescribed by rules made under this Act:
- (f) "signature" shall have the same meaning as defined in <sup>4</sup>[the Telangana General Clauses Act, 1308 F.];

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For Substituted

Kotwal Balda Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad [A.P.A.O. 1957.]

<sup>3.</sup> Substituted by the A.P.A.O. 1957. See now the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (Act No.2 of 1974).

<sup>\*.</sup> Throughout the Act,

<sup>4.</sup> Adapted by G.O.Ms.No.46, Law (F) Department, dated 01.06.2016.

(g) "public place of amusement" means every place or house or tent or enclosure or booth or any other building whether permanent or temporary where singing, music, dancing or any diversion or game and anything giving amusement or the means of carrying on the same is provided and to which the public are admitted either on payment of money or with the intention that money may be collected from them on admission and shall include the race-course, circus, theatre, music and dancing hall, billiard room, gymnasium or any other place allotted for such purposes;

- (h) "public place of entertainment" means any enclosed or open place to which the public have access and where any kind of articles of food and drink are supplied for consumption by any person or for the profit of any person owning or having any interest in or managing such place and shall include a refreshment room, tea house, liquor house, boarding house, lodging house, hotel, tavern or sendhi, wine, ganja, toddy, bhung or opium shops;
- (i) "street" includes every road, foot-way, square or passage whether a thoroughfare or not over which the public have permanently or temporarily right of passage;
- (j) "public place" also includes the place within the premises or enclosure of any public building or monuments and all places to which the public have access for drawing water, washing or bathing or for the purpose of recreation;
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## CHAPTER II OF THE POLICE FORCE AND ADDITIONAL AND SPECIAL POLICE.

### Organisation of Police.

4. For the City of Hyderabad there shall be appointed a Police force and its strength and constitution shall be as may be prescribed in accordance with the orders of the Government issued in this behalf from time to time.

## Appointment and removal of Police Commissioner.

5. The control and supervision of the aforesaid Police force shall, subject to the orders of the Government, be vested in an officer who shall be called the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] for the City of Hyderabad and who may, from time to time, be appointed and removed by the Government.

## Appointments of Deputy and Asst. Commissioners.

6. (1) The Government may, from time to time, appoint one or more Deputy Commissioners and one or more Assistant Commissioners, or may remove any Deputy Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner so appointed.

## Powers of Deputy and Assistant. Commissioners.

(2) Every such Deputy Commissioner shall subject to the orders of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] be competent to exercise all powers or perform some of the duties which are required to be performed by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] under this Act or any other enactment for the time being in force and every Assistant Commissioner of Police appointed under section 7 shall exercise such powers or perform such duties as may, from time to time, be conferred upon or assigned to him by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad]; but the powers vested in the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] under sections 21 and 47 of this Act shall not be exercised by a Deputy or Assistant Commissioner referred to in this sub-section.

7. (1) The power to appoint and promote an Inspector, Sub-Inspector and other subordinate of the force shall vest in the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad.] The Government shall have the power to appoint the Deputy Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner of Police.

Powers of appointment and promotion.

(2) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may, subject to such rules and regulations, as the Government may from time to time promulgate in this behalf, except Deputy Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner of Police,—

Powers of dismissal, discharge, demotion, suspension, fine and punishment.

- (a) dismiss, discharge, demote, suspend or fine to the extent of half the salary, any member of the Police force when any member of the force commits neglect or fails to perform duties or contravenes the provisions of this Act or of the rules made thereunder or commits gross misconduct during leave; or
- (b) impose the punishment of attendance in a Police station for a period not exceeding three days upon a member of the force inferior in rank to that of a Head Constable, who in his presence commits a gross wrong or behaves insolently and insubordinately.
- (3) Nothing contained in sub-section (2) shall affect any criminal proceeding by which any criminal liability or charge is established for an offence against any Police officer.
- officer 8. (1)Every Police appointed bν the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] shall, at the time of appointment be given a certificate of service in the form annexed hereto under the signature [Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad]. All the powers, privileges, functions and responsibilities shall be conferred and imposed upon the Police officer by such certificate.

Certificates of service to Police officers to be given by \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad]. (2) Such certificate shall be deemed to be void when the person named therein ceases to be in Police service.

Effect of suspension of Police officer.

(3) When a Police officer is suspended from his office his powers, duties and privileges shall be temporarily suspended and such Police officer shall not, by reason of suspension, be deemed to be excluded from the definition of Police officer but shall be deemed to be subject to all the responsibilities, prohibitions and compliance with orders in the same manner as he would be if he had not been suspended.

Power to appoint additional Police officers.

- 9. (1) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may, in his discretion, appoint, in cases given below, for such time and on such salary and on such rank as he may think fit, additional police officers to keep peace or preserve order at any place or in accordance with the provisions of this Act and under any other law intended for the prevention of any special class or classes of offences,-
- (a) on the application of any person at the expenses of such person, or
- (b) without any application at the expenses of any person for whose profit or benefit any work on a large scale is done or any public amusement is held when it is likely to cause inconvenience in traffic or; attract a large concourse or crowd of people.
- (2) Every additional police officer so appointed shall on appointment,-
  - (a) be given a certificate in the prescribed form,
- (b) have all the powers, privileges and duties of a Police officer as are specified in the certificate, and

(c) be subject to the orders of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad].

(3) In every case in which Police officers are appointed on the application of any person, such person shall give a notice in writing to the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] fixing a period of one month and requiring him to terminate the services of such Police officers within one month or a lesser period from the date of receipt of notice as the Commissioner may fix.

Notice shall be given for discontinuance of service.

- (4) The Commissioner shall on application account for the monies received by him towards the expenditure on account of the additional police officers.
- (5) In any case under this section if any dispute arises the decision of the Chief City Magistrate shall be final as to the account to be paid and the person by whom it is to be paid and the sum so determined may, on the request of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] be recovered as fine by the Chief City Magistrate.
- 10. (1) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may, at any time when he thinks it immediately likely that a disturbance or a dispute may take place or the public peace may be disturbed and that the ordinary Police force is insufficient for the protection of the life and property of the inhabitants of that place, appoint as special Police officer any healthy male between the age of eighteen and fifty-five years.

Power to appoint special Police.

- (2) Every special Police officer so employed shall on appointment,-
  - (a) receive a certificate in the prescribed form,

- (b) have all the powers, privileges and safeguards, as a Police officer,
- (c) discharge all duties as may be assigned to him by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad], and
- (d) be subject to the orders of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad].

Refusal to or neglect in discharge of duties. (3) Any person who has been appointed as a special Police officer under this Act refuses without reasonable cause to work as a special Police officer or neglects the discharge of his duties or takes objection to comply with any lawful order or direction given in connection with the discharge of duties, he shall be punished with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

Fixing of Divisions, sections and beats.

- 11. (1) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may,-
- (a) divide the City of Hyderabad into any particular and fixed number of police divisions;
- (b) divide the divisions into as many sections and beats as may appear to him to be proper;
- (c) fix the limits and extent of such divisions and sections.
- (2) Every such division shall be under an Assistant Commissioner of Police who shall be called Divisional Officer and every section shall be under the control of an Inspector and every beat shall be under a sub-Inspector:

Provided that these provisions shall be subject to the supervision of the Government.

12. The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may issue such orders with regard to the following matters as he may think expedient:-

Powers of
\*[Commissioner of
City Police,
Hyderabad] to
issue rules as to
organisation of
Police force.

- (a) Recruitment, organization, instruction, classification, discipline and general supervision of the force;
- (b) the number and description of arms and other necessaries to be given to the Police; and
- (c) the establishment of any Police fund and management and control thereof for observance of duties:

Provided that these orders shall be subject to the supervision of the Government.

- 13. (1) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may make rules not inconsistent with this Act or any other law for the time being in force for the following matters,-
- (a) Prescribing and assigning the duties of Police officers of whatever rank of office and determining,-
  - (1) the manner in which; and
- (2) the conditions subject to which they shall exercise their powers and perform the duties assigned to them;
- (b) determining the residence and lodging of the members of the force;
- (c) issuing directions for the collection of the means of intelligence and information or restricting them; and
- (d) prescribing the forms of certificates of services to be awarded to the additional or special Police officers:

Powers of
\*[Commissioner of
City Police,
Hyderabad] to
make rules
regarding the
discharge of
duties of Police
officers.

Provided that the rules made under this section shall be subject to the control of the Government.

(2) A copy of the rules made and issued under this section shall be kept in every police station.

Police officers not to withdraw from service without permission or notice.

- 14. (1) No Police officer shall resign his office or withdraw himself from his duties without the written permission of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] and if no such permission has been obtained no Police officer, other than a special Police officer, shall resign or withdraw until,-
- (a) the expiry after receipt of notice of his intention in writing by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad],
- (1) if he is a member of mounted Police force, of six months, and
  - (2) in any other case, of two months, and
- (b) full discharge of all debts due by him as a Police officer to the Government or to any Police fund.
- (2) If a Police officer who is on leave does not, without reasonable cause, report himself to duty on the expiry of leave, he shall, for purposes of this section, be deemed to have withdrawn himself from the discharge of the duties concerning his office without permission:

Saving in case of disease etc.

Provided that if any Police officer produces a certificate signed by the Police Surgeon or by a Government Doctor holding gazetted rank declaring such Police officer to be unfit for Police service by reason of any disease or mental or physical weakness and discharges the debts, if any, due by him or gives sufficient security to the satisfaction of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] for the payment

thereof, he shall, without delay, be given written permission to resign.

15. (1) Every person employed under this Act shall on ceasing to be in the Police force, return without delay to the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or to any such person and at such place as he may fix, the following articles:-

Return of certificate of service, arms etc.

- (a) Certificate of service,
- (b) all livery, arms with accoutrements and other necessary articles furnished to him for the execution of duties.
- (2) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or any Magistrate may issue a warrant for the search and seizure of any certificate of service, arms, accoutrements, livery and other necessary articles not returned under subsection (1).

Warrant for seizure.

- (3) Every warrant so issued shall be executed in accordance with the provisions of this Act by a Police officer or if the authority issuing the same otherwise directs by any other person also.
- (4) Nothing in this section shall apply to any article which under the orders of \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] has become the property of the person to whom the same was furnished.
- 16. Every Police officer not on leave or under suspension shall, for the purposes of this Act, be deemed to be always on duty throughout the limits of the City Police.

Police Officer to be deemed always on duty.

## Prohibition as to other employment.

- 17. No Police officer, other than a special Police officer shall, without the permission of the Government, either as principal or agent,-
  - (a) carry on any trade;
- (b) be concerned in any way in the purchase or sale of any immovable property situated within the limits of the City Police or of any interest therein;
- (c) accept any other office or take to any other profession or engage in any other business other than his office or duties as Police officer.

### Punishable acts by Police officers.

- 18. Any Police officer who,-
  - (a) contravenes the provisions of section 17, or
  - (b) is guilty of cowardice, or
- (c) resigns his office or withdraws from the duties assigned to him in contravention of the provisions of section 14 of this Act, or
- (d) wilfully contravenes or neglects any law or rule or order which, it is his duty as Police officer to obey,
- (e) is guilty of violation of any duty for which no punishment is provided by any other law,

shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three months or with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees or with both.

#### 19. Any Police officer who,-

Vexatious search, arrest, etc by Police officers.

- (a) without lawful authority or reasonable cause enters or searches or allows any person to enter or search any place, building, tent or vessel;
- (b) vexatiously and unnecessarily seizes any property belonging to any person;
- (c) vexatiously and unnecessarily detains or arrests or searches any person;
- (d) vexatiously and unnecessarily delays in producing before a Magistrate or any other officer before whom he is bound to produce him, any person who has been arrested;
- (e) inflicts unnecessary physical pain upon any person in his custody;
  - (f) unlawfully induces or threatens any accused;

shall for every such offence be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months or with fine which may extend to 500 rupees or with both.

20. Any person who wilfully makes a false statement or produces a false document for the purpose of obtaining for himself or for any other person employment in Police or release from such employment, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three months or with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees or with both.

Making false statement to obtain employment.

## CHAPTER III. POLICE REGULATIONS, RULES FOR PRESERVATION OF ORDER.

Power to make rules for regulation of traffic and for preservation of order.

- 21. (1) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may, from time to time, make rules not inconsistent with this Act in respect of the following. Such rules shall, in case of clauses (b) and (c), be subject to the control of the Government and with regard to the remaining clauses, sanction of the Government shall be obtained prior to the enforcement of rules.
- (a) granting licences to persons willing to accept employment at places where goods is unloaded, and for the carriage of passengers' baggage outside the limits of Railway stations and fixing a scale of charges and remuneration for labour of persons so employed;
- (b) regulating traffic of all kinds in public streets or public places, and regulating the use of streets and public places by persons walking, driving, cycling or accompanying or leading cattle, with a view to prevent danger, inconvenience or obstruction to the public;
- (c) regulating the conditions under which vehicles may be parked in public streets and public places, and the use of public streets as temporary halting places for cattle and vehicles;
- (d) prescribing the number and position of lights to be used on vehicles passing through public streets or public places, and regulating the manner of conveying timber, poles, bamboo, ladders, bars, iron beams boilers and other unvieldy articles and the route and hours for conveying such articles;

(e) prescribing, subject to any notice issued by the Municipal Commissioner in this behalf, the roads along which and the hours during which corpses may or may not be carried;

- (f) licensing for or regulating the following matters and where it is likely to cause inconvenience, delay, danger or damage to the residents or the persons passing in the vicinity, prohibiting,-
- (i) the keeping of a place of public amusement or place of public entertainment,
- (ii) the playing of music in public streets or public places,
- <sup>5</sup>[(iia) the using of a loud-speaker in any public place or places of public entertainment,]
- (iii) the illumination in public street, or public place, or on any building adjacent to the public street, by persons other than Government or Municipal officers authorised in this behalf,
- (iv) the carrying through public streets or places of gunpowder or other explosive substances,

#### (v) blasting;

(g) regulating the entrance or exit at any place of public amusement or place of public entertainment or at any meeting or public assembly and providing for the maintenance of public peace and the prevention of disturbance at such places;

<sup>5.</sup> Amended by Act No.XXIV of 1952.

<sup>6</sup>[(gg) regulating or prohibiting the sale of any ticket or pass for admission, by whatever name called, to a place of public amusement;]

(h) where licence or certificate is required to be obtained under this Act, prescribing the procedure for obtaining it and fixing the fees for any such licence and certificate:

<sup>7</sup>[Provided firstly that no person, by virtue of anything contained in this section and licence granted under the rules issued under this section shall be authorised to import, export, transport, manufacture, sell or possess any liquor or intoxicating drugs in respect of which a licence or permit is required under <sup>8</sup>[the Andhra Pradesh (Telangana Area) Abkari Act, 1316 F.] or under any other law for the time being in force and that the liability which may be incurred by any such person under such law or any law for the time being in force relating to fireworks, explosives and arms shall not be affected in any way by anything contained in this section:

Provided secondly that a rule made under clause (g) shall not contain any condition requiring a licence for a place of public amusement, unless liquor, sendhi or any intoxicating drug as defined in the law for the time being in force is sold in such places or unless such place is kept open for customers between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m.]

(2) The power to make rules under sub-section (1) shall be subject to the condition of the rules being enforced after

Act I of 1316 F.

<sup>6.</sup> Amended by Act No.IX of 1951.

<sup>7.</sup> Provisos substituted by the A.P.A.O. 1957.

<sup>8.</sup> See now the provisions of the Telangana Excise Act, 1968 (Act No.17 of 1968) in which this Act has been repealed.

publication and they shall be published in the <sup>9</sup>[Official Gazette] in the manner specified in section 84.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions contained in this section or in any rules made thereunder, it shall always be lawful for \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] to refuse a licence for or to prohibit the establishment of a place of public amusement or a place of public entertainment by a notorious scoundral or a bad character.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS.

22. (1) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] and subject to the orders of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] every Police officer not below the rank of an Inspector may, from time to time, as occasion may require, give such orders for the following matters either orally or in writing as may be necessary; but such orders shall not be inconsistant with any rule made under section 21,-

Powers of Police Commissioner and other Police officers to give direction to the public.

- (a) the mode of passing, conduct and behaviour or acts of the processions, or assemblies passing in the streets:
- (b) prescribe the routes by which and the time at which such processions may or may not pass;
- (c) prevent obstruction on the occasions of processions and assemblies and in the neighbourhood of any place of worship during the time of public worship and in every case when any street or public place or any place of public resort may be thronged or is likely to be obstructed:

<sup>9.</sup> Substituted for the word "Jarida" by the A.P.A.O. 1957.

- (d) maintain order in streets, public places and all other places where public throng;
- (e) regulate the music or singing in any street or public place and the beating of kettle-drum, tom-toms, band, drum and the blowing of horns or other like instruments in or near any street or public place;
- (f) on the written application of any person to the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] if the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] is satisfied that music, singing or the noise of the aforesaid instruments is causing inconvenience to any person residing in the neighbourhood on account of his serious illness or to the lawful profession by persons residing in the neighbourhood, the prohibition of its continuance:

Provided that when any music or singing is so stopped, the person aggrieved by the prohibitory order may file an application against such order to the Chief City Magistrate and if the said Magistrate is satisfied that in view of the conditions the said order is not based on reasonable grounds, he may alter or cancel such order and the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] shall carry out the order made by the City Criminal Court.

Powers to issue orders for prevention of disorder.

- (2) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may, whenever and for such time, as he considers necessary for the preservation of the public peace and public safety, by notification, issue an order to the public or to particular individuals prohibiting the following matters,-
- (a) the carrying in any public place of swords, spears, bludgeons, guns, <sup>10</sup>[knives] and other offensive weapons;

<sup>10.</sup> Amended by Act No.XXVII of 1356 Fasli.

(b) the collection, carrying or preparation of stones or other means of casting missiles;

- (c) the keeping or offering for exhibition of persons or of corpses or effigies or other figures in any public place;
  - (d) utterance of cries or singing in public;
- (e) making a speech, gesture or mimetic presentation, or the preparation, exhibition or dissemination of pictures, symbols, placards, or any other things which is against morality and decency or which, in the opinion of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] is likely to create religious animosity or hatred between different communities or individuals or is likely to bring about commission of an offence or disturbance of the public peace or induces resistance to or contempt of the law or of a lawful authority.
- (3) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may, at any time by order in writing, prohibit every kind of assembly or procession for such time as may appear to him to be necessary and proper for preservation of peace and public safety; but no such prohibitory order shall remain in force for a period exceeding one week without the sanction of the Government.

Power of prohibit assembly and procession.

(4) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may also by public notice temporarily reserve any street or public place for any public purpose and prohibit any person from entering the area so reserved unless he observes the conditions prescribed by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad.]

Power to reserve street or public place for any public purpose.

23. (1) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may in order to suppress or prevent any riot or grave disturbance temporarily close or take possession of any building or place and may exclude all or any persons

Power of
\*[Commissioner of
City Police,
Hyderabad] to
issue orders for
prevention of riot
or disturbance.

therefrom or may allow them to enter such place on such conditions as he may prescribe. All such persons shall conduct themselves in accordance with such orders as the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may make and notify in the exercise of the powers vested in him under this section.

Compensation for loss etc. to lawful occupier of building or place taken possession of or closed by \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad].

(2) If the lawful occupier of such building or place suffers any substantial loss or injury by the action of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] taken under subsection (1) of this section, he shall be entitled, to apply to the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] within one month from the date of such action to receive reasonable compensation for such loss or injury unless such action has been necessitated by the mode or intended mode of use of such building or place or by the misconduct of persons having access to such building or place.

Dispute as to compensation to be settled by the Chief City Magistrate.

(3) Where in any case a dispute arises under subsection (2) of this section, the decision of the Chief City Magistrate shall be final as to the amount of compensation if any and the person entitled thereto.

Powers to issue orders for maintenance of order at religious ceremonials.

24. (1) If in respect of an actual or intended assemblage of a religious nature or ceremonial or corporate display or organised assemblage or exhibition or meeting held in any street or public place, it appears to the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] that a dispute has arisen due to such assemblage or its conduct which is likely to cause grave disturbance of public peace, the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may give such orders as to the conduct and behaviour of the persons interested towards each other and towards the public as may appear to him reasonable under the circumstances regard being had of the apparent legal rights and established practice of the parties and of the persons interested. Every such order shall be published in the place or area wherein it is to operate

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and all persons concerned shall be bound to conform to the same.

(2) Any order made under sub-section (1) of this section shall be subject to a decree, or injunction or other order of a competent Court; and the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] shall cancel or modify the order made by him when it is made known to him that the said order is inconsistent with the decree, injunction or any other order of a competent Court made by such Court on the complaint, suit or application of the person interested as to the rights or duties of the person who has suffered injury by the order of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad.]

Such orders to be subject to decree etc., of Court.

25. (1) For the purpose of preventing any serious disorder or unlawful acts or imminent danger to the persons assembled at any public place of amusement or at any meeting or assembly to which the public is invited or allowed, every police officer of rank superior to that of Head Constable present at such public place of amusement or meeting or assembly may, subject, to the rules and orders lawfully made in this behalf, give such orders and directions as to the mode of admission of the public to the conduct of persons attending, and maintenance of the public safety at such places as he thinks necessary and all persons shall be bound to conform to such reasonable directions and orders.

Powers of the Police to prevent disorder at public place of amusement and public resort.

(2) The Police shall have power to enter every such public place of amusement, meeting, or assembly without obstruction for the purpose of giving effect to or carrying out the provisions of sub-section (1) of this section and every direction given thereunder.

Employees of Police to have general permission to enter such places.

26. (1) Whenever it appears to the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad],-

Dispersal of gangs or assembly of persons.

- (a) that the movements or acts of any person residing in the City of Hyderabad are causing or likely to cause danger, alarm or harm to the life or property of any person or that there are reasonable grounds to believe that such person is engaged or is about to be engaged in the commission of an offence necessitating the use of force or violence or an offence punishable under <sup>11</sup>[Chapters XII, XVI and XVII of the Indian Penal Code] or is about to abet such offences and when in the opinion of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] no witness is willing to give evidence in public against such person by reason of apprehension of harm to his life and property; or
- (b) that an outbreak of an epidemic disease is likely to result from the continued residence of an immigrant; he may, by order in writing to be served on such person or by beat of drum or otherwise as the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] thinks fit, direct such person or immigrant to conduct himself in such manner as shall be necessary to prevent violence and alarm or the outbreak or spread of such disease or shall require such person to remove himself to such place or places and by such route or routes and within such time as the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may prescribe.
- (2) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may direct any person who has been twice convicted under section 69 of this Act or any person who has been thrice convicted within a period of 3 years under section 4 or section 13 of the Gambling Act, 1319 Fasli as amended, to remove as aforesaid.
- (3) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may also direct any person who not having been born within the City Police limits, has been more than twice convicted of

<sup>11.</sup> Substituted by the A.P.A.O. 1957.

offences under <sup>12</sup>[Chapters XII, XVI and XVII of the Indian Penal Code] to remove himself in like manner from the City of Hyderabad or not to enter the City Police limits.

A copy of such order shall be sent to the Chief City Magistrate.

- (4) For the purposes of sub-section (2) the decision of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad], that a person has or has not been born within the City Police limits, shall be final.
- (5) (firstly)- The Government may, if satisfied that peace or public safety in the City of Hyderabad or in any part thereof is disturbed or is likely to be disturbed on account of a conflict between different communities or groups or sections or gangs, thereof, declare by a proclamation (hereinafter referred to as the proclamation of emergency) that an emergency exists.

(secondly)- Such proclamation of emergency,-

- (a) may be revoked by any other subsequent proclamation; and
- (b) shall, in any case, be deemed to be cancelled after one month unless before the expiration of such period it has been renewed.

(thirdly)- After a proclamation of emergency has been issued by the Government under clause first whenever it appears to the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] that the presence, movements or acts of any person in the city is or are causing or likely to cause danger or alarm or that a reasonable suspicion exists that such person has a

<sup>12.</sup> Substituted by the A.P.A.O. 1957.

design to disturb public peace and tranquility, he may, by order in writing to be served on such person or by beat of drum or otherwise as he thinks fit, direct such person to conduct himself in such manner as in the opinion of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may be reasonable for public safety or may direct such person to remove himself to such place or places and by such route or routes and within such time as the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may prescribe.

(fourthly)- Any person aggrieved by an order of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] made under clause third may appeal to the Government within ten days from the date when such order is made.

(fifthly)- An order passed by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] under clause third shall, subject to an appeal referred to in clause fourth be deemed to be final.

(sixthly)- nothing contained in this section shall require any Police officer to disclose to the person against whom an order is made under clause third or to a court the sources of his information or any fact the communication of which may, in the opinion of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] reveal the name or identity of person giving information.

(seventhly)- Any order made by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] under clause third or by the Government under clause fourth shall not be deemed to be operative at the expiration of proclamation of emergency.

(6) If the person who has been ordered under subsection (1), (2), (3) or (5) fails or refuses to remove himself outside the City of Hyderabad or enters the City of Hyderabad within the prescribed period, the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] shall cause him

to be arrested and removed in Police custody to such place outside the City of Hyderabad as may be suitable in his opinion.

(7) Before an order under sub-section (1), (2) or (3) is passed against any person, the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or any officer authorised by him not below the rank of an Assistant Commissioner of Police shall inform such person in writing of the general nature of the allegations against him and give him sufficient opportunity of explaining those allegations.

If such person makes application for an examination of any witness produced by him, \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or such officer shall grant such application and examine such witness unless for reasons to be recorded in writing he is of the opinion that such application is made merely for the purpose of vexation or delay. Any written statement put in by such person shall be filed with the relevant record. Such person shall be entitled to appear before \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or the said officer by a pleader or attorney for the purpose of explaining the allegations against him and for the purpose of examination of witnesses produced by him.

(8) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or the officer authorised under sub-section (7) may, for securing the attendance of any person against whom an order is proposed to be made under sub-section (1), (2) or (3), exercise all or any of the powers of a court under <sup>13</sup>[sections 70, 71 and 72 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, Central Act 2 of 1974. 19731. When such person is brought before the \*[Commissioner City of Police. Hyderabad] the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may release him

<sup>13.</sup> Substituted by Act No.2 of 2004.

on bail with or without sureties or may, from time to time, detain him in custody for such period as he thinks fit; but such period shall not exceed fifteen days at a time.

- (9) Any person aggrieved by an order made by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] under subsection (1), (2) or (3) may appeal to the Government within thirty days from the date when such order is made.
- (10) Any order passed by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] under sub-section (1), (2), or (3) or by the Government under sub-section (9) shall not be called in question in any Court unless the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or the officer mentioned in sub-section (7) had not followed the procedure laid down in the said sub-section or there was material before no \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] upon which he could have based such order or the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] was not of opinion that witnesses were unwilling to give evidence in the public against the person in respect of whom an order was made under sub-section (1).
- (11) Nothing contained in this section shall require any Police officer to disclose to the person against whom an order is made under sub-section (1), (2) or (3) or to a Court the sources of his information or any fact the communication of which may in the opinion of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] reveal the name or identity of the person giving information.

Destruction of stray dogs.

27. (1) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may from time to time by notification proclaim that any stray dog found, during such time as may be specified in the notification, wandering in any street or in any public place shall be destroyed and every such dog found in any street, or public place during the hours mentioned in the notification, shall be destroyed.

(2) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may by public notice, require that every such dog as may be in any street or public place and not led by some person shall be muzzled in such a manner as to prevent it from biting, while not causing inconvenience to it in eating or breathing and every Police officer may, so long as such notice remains in force, destroy, or take possession of and detain any dog not so muzzled and found astray beyond the premises of the owner:

Muzzling or seizure of dogs.

Provided that any dog so found, with a collar bearing the name or address of its owner, shall not, unless it is rabid, be forthwith destroyed; but it shall be detained and information thereof be given by post or otherwise to its owner.

Saving as to dogs wearing collars.

(3) Any dog which has been detained under subsection (2) remains without the owner providing with a muzzle for 3 clear days and paying all expenses for such detention may be sold or destroyed with the sanction and under the order of \*[Commissioner of City Police. Hyderabad.]

**Destruction or** sale of dogs.

(4) The proceeds of the sale of any dog under sub- Proceeds of sale section (3) shall be applied, as far as may be, towards the how disposed of. expenses for its detention; and the Government shall be entitled to appropriate the balance if any.

(5) Any expenses incurred for the detention or destruction of any such dog shall, subject to the provisions of sub-section (4) of this section, be recoverable upon a warrant by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] as fine under 14[section 386 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898].

Mode of recovery of expenses.

<sup>14.</sup> Substituted by the A.P.A.O. 1957. See now the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.

Destruction of suffering and unfit animals.

28. (1) Any Police officer who in any street or place, other than a place of worship, finds any animal other than a cow or bull so diseased, or so severely wounded and in such a physical condition that in his opinion it cannot without cruelty be removed therefrom, shall, if the owner of the animal is absent or does not consent to the destruction of the animal, at once summon the Veterinary officer of the area in which the animal is found and if the Veterinary officer certifies that the animal is so mortally wounded or serverely diseased or in such a physical condition that it is cruel to keep it alive, the said Police officer may, without the permission of the owner, destroy the animal or cause it to be destroyed. But if the Veterinary Practitioner is of opinion that the animal can be removed from the place where it is found without causing it great suffering, and if the owner or person incharge of the animal, or in his absence any other person present on the spot, is willing or offers to remove the animal to the nearest veterinary hospital within such time as the Veterinary Practitioner considers reasonable, the Veterinary Practitioner shall allow the animal to be so removed. If the owner or person incharge of the animal or any other person does not consent or fails so to remove the animal, the Veterinary Practitioner may direct the Police officer to remove the animal before it is destroyed to such place as he may think fit:

Provided that when any animal is destroyed in any street or public place it shall, as far as possible, be screened from the public gaze while it is being destroyed.

**Explanation:**— For the purposes of this section the word "bull" shall not be deemed to include "bullock".

(2) The Government may appoint such persons as it thinks fit for veterinary treatment to be Veterinary Practitioners for the purposes of this section and determine

the areas of which they shall be incharge for the purposes of this section.

#### CHAPTER IV.

#### EXECUTIVE POWERS AND DUTIES OF POLICE.

#### **Duties of Police Officers.**

29. It shall be duty of every Police officer-

Duties of Police officer.

- (a) promptly to serve every summons and execute every warrant or other order lawfully issued to him by any competent authority and to endeavour by every lawful means to give effect to the lawful commands of his superior;
- (b) as far as possible to obtain intelligence concerning the commission of cognizable offences, or designs to commit such offences, and to bring such information to the notice of his superior officers; and to take such action consistent with law and with the orders of his superiors, as shall be calculated to punish the offenders under law or prevent the commission of cognizable, and within his view of non-cognizable offences;
- (c) to prevent as far as possible the commission of public nuisance;
- (d) to apprehend persons whom he is legally authorised to apprehend and for whose apprehension there is sufficient reason;
- (e) to aid other Police officers when called on by them or if necessary in the discharge of their duties in such manner as would be lawful and reasonable:

- (f) to discharge every duty imposed upon him by any law for the time being in force;
- (g) to render every possible assistance within his power to any disabled or helpless person in the street, and to take charge of persons who being intoxicated or lunatics are, in his opinion, dangerous or incapable of protecting themselves:
- (h) to take prompt measures to procure necessary help for any person under arrest, or in custody who is wounded or sick, and whilst conducting or guarding the said person, to have due regard to his condition;
- (i) to make proper arrangement for the sustenance and shelter of every person who is under arrest or in custody;
- (j) in the course of search to refrain from needless rudeness or annoyance;
- (k) in dealing with women and children to have full regard to decency and act with gentleness;
- (I) to make all efforts in connection with the following matters:-
  - (1) prevention of damage or loss by fire, and
- (2) protection of the public against any accident or danger;
- (m) to regulate the public traffic in the street, to prevent obstructions therein, and as far as possible, to prevent the infraction of any rule or order made under this Act or under any other law for the time being in force for observance by the public in or near a street;

(n) to keep order in the street, or at such places of worship, passage, landing places and places of Urus or Jatra or other public places where public throng and in the vicinity of places of worship during the time of worship;

- (o) to make suitable arrangements for the use of places of worship and bathing and washing places set apart for public and to prevent overcrowding thereat and to prevent the infraction of any rule or order lawfully made for observance at such places;
- (p) (1) to perform all duties imposed on him by the rules for the time being in force under sections 13 and 21 of this Act in the manner and subject to the conditions therein prescribed.
- (2) Every person shall be bound to conform to every reasonable direction of a Police officer given by him in the discharge of the aforesaid duties.
- (3) A Police officer may remove or detain any person who fails to conform to or refuses to comply with or assists the aforesaid directions.

#### POWERS OF POLICE OFFICERS TO ARREST WITHOUT WARRANT.

30. Any Police officer may without an order from a When Police may Magistrate and without a warrant arrest any person,-

arrest any person without warrant.

(a) who has been concerned in any cognizable offence before him under 15 [sub-section (1) of section 41 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973];

Central Act 2 of 1974.

<sup>15.</sup> Substituted by Act No.2 of 2004.

- (b) who is liable to be punished for an offence before him under sections 59, 61, 63,64, 65 and sub-sections (e), (g) and (i) of section 66 and sections 67, 69, 70, 71 and subsection (a) of section 73, section 75 and clauses first and second of section 76 and section 77 or who contravenes the <sup>16</sup>[rules made under clauses (b) and (gg) of sub-section (1)] and sub-sections (4) and (5) or fails to conform to the prohibitory directions given under clause (b) of sub-section (1) and clauses (a) and (b) of sub-section (2) of section 22 or sections 3, 4 and 5 of <sup>17</sup>the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act No.I of 1313 Fasli:
- (c) who has been concerned in an offence punishable under section 60 of this Act or against whom a complaint has been made on reasonable grounds or about whom credible information has been received or reasonable suspicion exists for believing that he is so concerned.

Other powers of arrest to Police Officers.

- 31. (1) Any police officer empowered in this behalf by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may arrest without warrant any person for an offence specified in section 68 of this Act.
- (2) Any Police officer may, on the information of any person in possession or charge of any dwelling house, private building or land or ground attached thereto, arrest without warrant any person alleged to have committed therein or thereon an offence punishable under section 59 of this Act.

Enforcement of orders issued under sections 22, 23, 24.

32. When a notification, or order in writing or public notice has been issued under sub-section (2) (3) or (4) of section 22 of this Act, or an order has been made under section 23 or 24, any Magistrate or Police officer may require any

<sup>16.</sup> Substituted by Act No.XXIV of 1952.

<sup>17.</sup> Repealed by A.P. Act No.XXIII of 1958.

person who contravenes or is about to contravene the same, to desist or to abstain from so doing and in case of refusal or disobedience, may arrest such person. Any such Magistrate or Police officer may also seize any object or article used or about to be used in contravention of the aforesaid notification, order or notice and the object or articles seized shall be proceeded with according to the order of the Chief City Magistrate.

#### UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY.

33. If on any emergency the available Police force is not sufficient to disperse an unlawful assembly or to quell a riot or any disturbance likely to disturb public peace, the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or Magistrate of the highest rank who is present at the time, may apply to the officer of highest rank of the Regular forces who may be on the spot for military aid for such purpose.

Requisitioning military aid to disperse assembly.

34. (1) the \*[Commissioner When of City Police. Hyderabad] or a Magistrate determines to disperse any unlawful assembly by military aid, he may require any commissioned or non-commissioned officer commanding a battalion of the Regular Forces, or the volunteer corps, to disperse such assembly by military force and to arrest and confine such persons taking part in the said assembly as the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or the Magistrate may direct, or as it may be necessary to arrest and confine for the purpose of dispersing the assembly or to have them punished according to law.

Duty of officer commanding military required to disperse assembly by Magistrate or \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad].

(2) Every such officer shall obey such requisition in such manner as he thinks fit, but in so doing shall use as little force, and do as little injury to the life and property of persons as may be possible and as may be consistent with dispersing the assembly and arresting and detaining the persons taking part in it.

Power of Commissioned officer to disperse unlawful assembly. 35. When the public peace is manifestly endangered by any such assembly and when it is impracticable to take instructions from the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or a Magistrate, any Commissioned officer may disperse such assembly by Military, and may arrest and confine any person or persons taking part in it in order to disperse the assembly or that they may be punished according to law; but if while he is acting under this section, it becomes practicable to inform the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or a Magistrate, he shall do so and shall thence forward obey the instructions of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or Magistrate as to whether he shall or shall not continue such action.

Bar of prosecution for acts done under sections 33, 34, 35. Central Act 2 of 1974.

- 36. No prosecution against any person for any act done while acting under sections 33, 34 and 35 of this Act, or under <sup>18</sup>[section 37 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973] shall be instituted in any Criminal Court, except with the sanction of the Government; and
  - (a) no Magistrate or Police officer acting in good faith,
  - (b) no officer acting under section 35 in good faith,
- (c) no person doing any act in good faith on being required under section 34 of this Act or under <sup>17</sup>[section 37 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973],
- (d) no inferior officer, soldier or volunteer doing any act in obedience to any order which he is bound to obey, shall be deemed to have thereby committed any offence.

Mode of recovery of compensation for injury caused by unlawful assembly.

37. (1) The Chief City Magistrate may, with the sanction and subject to the orders of the Government which may

<sup>18.</sup> Substituted by Act No.2 of 2004.

have been issued in this behalf, and after such enquiry as he thinks necessary,-

- (a) determine the amount of compensation which, in his opinion, becomes payable to any person or persons in respect of any loss or damage caused to any property by any act connected with the common object of the unlawful assembly or in respect of death or grievous hurt caused to any person or persons by such act; and
- (b) require the Municipal Commissioner to recover such amounts by an addition to the general tax which shall be imposed and levied in those municipal wards or subwards or sections.
- (2) On the recommendation of the Chief City Magistrate the Government may, by order, exempt any person or persons from the payment of a portion of such compensation.

Exemption from payment of compensation.

- (3) No compensation shall be awarded under this section unless a claim therefor is made within one month from the date of the loss or damage or death or grievous hurt and unless the Chief City Magistrate is satisfied that the person claiming, or where such claim is in respect of the death of any person, that person also had been free from blame in connection with the occurrences which lead to the aforesaid loss, damage, death or grievous hurt.
- (4) No suit shall be instituted in any Civil Court in respect of any loss or damage for which compensation has been awarded under this section.
- 38. (1) The addition in the general tax imposed under the preceding section shall be recovered by the Municipal Commissioner from the persons liable therefor in the same manner as the general taxes are recovered.

Recovery of amount through Municipal Commissioner.

Act II of 1956.

(2) The provision of <sup>19</sup>[section 204 of the <sup>20</sup>[Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation Act, 1955] shall apply to any such addition as if it were part of the general tax levied under the said Act.

#### UNCLAIMED PROPERTY.

Police to take charge of unclaimed property.

- 39. (1) The Police shall take temporary charge of the following property:-
- (a) all unclaimed property found by or made over to them; and
- (b) all property found lying in any street, if the owner or person in charge of such property, on being directed, refuses or fails to remove the same from the street;
- (2) Every property of which the Police have taken charge under sub-section (1) shall be produced before the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad.]

\*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] to issue proclamation. 40. (1) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] shall issue a proclamation with the particulars of the property, requiring, any person who may have a claim in respect of such property, to appear before the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or any other officer whom he appoints for the purpose within six months from the date of the proclamation and submit his claim.

Immediate sale of perishable property.

(2) If such property or any part thereof is subject to speedy decay or consists of live-stock and animals or if the value of such property is less than five rupees it may be forthwith sold by auction under the orders of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] and the

<sup>19.</sup> Substituted by the A.P.A.O. 1957.

<sup>20.</sup> Adapted by G.O.Ms.No.134, Municipal Administration & Urban Development (F2) Department, dated 13.10.2015.

proceeds of sale shall be dealt with in the same manner as is hereinafter provided for the disposal of the said property.

41. (1) If the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] is of opinion that the claimant of any seized property is entitled to the said property, he shall order the same to be delivered to him after deducting or payment of the expenses incurred in the seizure and detention thereof.

Property to be delivered to person entitled.

(2) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may, at his discretion, before the issue of an order under sub-section (1) demand reasonable security from the person to whom the said property is to be delivered, and the foregoing provisions shall not affect the right of any person to recover the whole property or any part thereof, from the person to whom such property has been delivered pursuant to such order.

Power to take security.

(3) If no person establishes his right within the prescribed time, such property shall be at the disposal of the Government and the said property or part thereof which has not been sold under sub-section (2) of section 40 may be sold by auction under the orders of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad.]

Property to be at the disposal of Government in case no claim or objection is filed.

#### CATTLE POUNDS.

42. (1) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] shall from time to time appoint such places as he thinks fit to be cattle pounds, and a Police officer of such rank shall be appointed as pound-keeper as the Government may approve.

Power to establish pounds for cattle and to appoint keeper.

(2) Every pound-keeper so appointed shall discharge his duties subject to the orders of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad.]

Impounding of cattle.

43. It shall, be the duty of every Police officer, and shall be lawful for any other person, to seize and impound in any Government pound any cattle found straying in any street or tresspassing upon any private or Government property within the Hyderabad City Police limits.

Delivery of cattle.

- 44. (1) If the owner of the impounded cattle or his agent appears and claims delivery of such cattle, the pound-keeper shall deliver the said cattle to him on payment of the pound fees and the actual expenses in respect of such cattle fixed under sub-section (4).
- (2) If, within ten days from the date of impounding any animal, no person who is the owner of such animal appears and pays the fees and expenses specified in sub-section (4), such cattle shall be forthwith sold by auction, and the surplus remaining after deducting the fees and expenses aforesaid from the proceeds of the sale, shall be paid to any person who, within fifteen days from the date of sale, appears before the officer appointed by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] for this purpose and proves to his satisfaction that he is the owner of the said animal. In other cases such proceeds of sale shall be appropriated by the Government.
- (3) No Police officer or pound-keeper shall directly or indirectly purchase any cattle at a sale under sub-section (2).
- <sup>21</sup>[(4) (a) Fines in respect of the following cattle impounded in accordance with the foregoing provisions shall be levied at the rates shown against each of them namely:—

<sup>21.</sup> Substituted by Act No.VII of 1956.

Name of Cattle Rate of fine per head

Flephant and its Fifteen rupees

- (1) Elephant and its .. Fifteen rupees young
- (2) Camel and its young .. Seven rupees, eight annas
- (3) Horse and its young .. Three rupees
- (4) He-buffalo, she-buffalo .. Two rupees, eight and its young annas
- (5) Bullock, cow and the .. Two rupees young of cow
- (6) Pony, gelding or mule .. Two rupees
- (7) Ass, pig and their .. One rupee, eight young annas
- (8) Goat, sheep, ram and .. One rupee their young

Provided that the Government may, when satisfied that in any particular area cattle are allowed to go at large by their owners with intent to cause damage to the crops, by notification in the Official Gazette direct that in such area the fine shall be levied at double the rate specified above. Government may also, at any time, by a like notification modify or cancel the said notification.]

(b) The pound fees and expenses chargeable shall be at such rates for each day including any part of a day as may be fixed by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad.]

#### WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

45. (1) Any Police officer generally or specially deputed for the purpose by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may without warrant enter any shop or premises for the purpose of inspecting or searching for any Powers to inspect and seize false weights and measures. weights or measures or instruments weighing and measuring used or kept in such shop or premises.

- (2) If he finds in such shop or premises weights, measures or instruments for weighing or measuring which he has sufficient reason to believe to be false, he may seize the same and shall forthwith give information of such seizure to the Magistrate having jurisdiction. If such weights or measures or instruments shall be proved before the Magistrate to be false, they shall be destroyed.
- (3) Weights and measures purporting to be of the same denomination and standard as weights and measures prescribed by the Government under <sup>22</sup>[the Hyderabad Weights and Measures Act XIV of 1356 Fasli] if they do not really correspond with those weights and measures shall be deemed to be false weights and measures for the purposes of this section.

#### POWERS OF SUPERIOR OFFICERS.

Superior officer may perform duties imposed on subordinate officer. 46. Every Police officer of rank superior to that of a Constable may perform any duty assigned by any law or by a lawful order to any officer subordinate to him and where any duty has been imposed on any subordinate, every superior officer, when it shall appear to him necessary, may aid such subordinate or supplement his duties or may issue any other order in supersession of his order or may prevent him in the performance of his duties whenever it shall appear to him necessary or expedient so to do for giving convenient effect to the law or for avoiding an infringement thereof.

<sup>22.</sup> Substituted by the A.P.A.O. 1957 and this Act was repealed by A.P Act I of 1959.

## MAGISTERIAL POWERS OF COMMISSIONER AND DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

47. (1) The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] by virtue of his office, and any Deputy Commissioner of Police specially empowered in this behalf by the Government, shall have all the powers of a District Magistrate under <sup>23</sup>[sections 91, 93 (1), 93 (2) and 94 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.]

Judicial powers of superior Police officers.

Central Act 2 of 1974.

(2) The powers specified above may be exercised for the purposes of any investigation or any other proceeding under this Act or <sup>23</sup>[the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.]

Central Act 2 of 1974.

## CHAPTER V. PROCEDURE.

48. (1) If in the course of investigation the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] has reason to believe that a cognizable offence has been committed, he may require the attendance before himself or any officer subordinate to him who is investigating a cognizable offence, of any person who resides within the Hyderabad City Police limits or within 30 miles of such limits, who from the information received or otherwise appears to be acquainted with the facts and circumstances of the case, and such person shall attend as so required.

Special powers of \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] to summon witnesses and record their statements.

The provisions of <sup>23</sup>[section 161 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973] shall also apply to the person so attending.

Central Act 2 of 1974.

(2) In any case the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may forward in writing to the Superintendent of Police of the district within the limits of which any person

<sup>23.</sup> Substituted by Act No.2 of 2004.

from whom any information is required to be obtained relating to the facts and circumstances of the case under investigation, is believed to be, such questions and facts as may be necessary for obtaining the information required, and on receipt thereof, the Superintendent of Police shall examine such person and shall record his statement in the same manner and subject to the same provisions as if such Superintendent of Police were investigating such offence in his district, and shall forward the statement recorded to the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad.]

Powers to search for persons confined.

49. If the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] has reason to believe that any person is confined or detained under such circumstances that such confinement or detention constitutes an offence he may issue a search warrant; and the person to whom the search warrant is directed may search for the person specified in the warrant in accordance with such directions as may be given therein, and the person, if found, shall be immediately brought before the Chief City Magistrate, who shall, having regard to the circumstances of the case, make suitable order.

Report of investigation by subordinate Police officer.

- 50. (1) When an investigation is made under this Act by an officer subordinate to an officer in charge of a section, he shall report either orally or in writing the result of such Investigation to the officer in charge of the section.
- (2) The substance of such report shall be entered in a book which shall be maintained under the direction of the officer to whom the report is made.

Powers to take in custody of offensive weapons.

51. Every Police officer or other person making an arrest may take in his custody any offensive weapons and arms which may be found on the person of the person arrested and deliver the weapons and arms so taken, to the Court or officer before which or whom the person arrested is required to be produced.

52. If it appears to the officer-in-charge of the section that,-

Release of person arrested.

- (a) there are no sufficient reasons for believing that the person brought before him has committed an offence, he shall record his reasons and forthwith discharge him;
- (b) there are sufficient reasons for believing that such person has committed an offence, but there are no sufficient reasons for believing that he has committed a cognizable offence, he shall forthwith produce him before the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] along with a report containing the reasons and shall proceed in accordance with the directions of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad];
- (c) there are sufficient reasons for believing that the person brought before him has committed a cognizable offence, he shall, if such person was arrested under <sup>24</sup>[section 43 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973] rearrest him and shall either himself investigate; or direct some officer subordinate to him to investigate, the facts and circumstances of the case.

Central Act 2 of 1974.

53. The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] shall endorse his name on the reverse of any warrant forwarded to him by any Court outside the Hyderabad City Police limits and shall, if practicable, cause it to be executed in the prescribed manner in the Hyderabad City Police limits.

Execution of warrant received for execution from outside the city limits.

54. (1) When any Court outside the City Police limits sends a warrant to any Police officer to be executed within the City Police limits, such Police officer shall ordinarily take such warrant for endorsement to a Police officer not below the rank of Inspector within whose section the warrant is to be executed.

Warrant directed to Police officer for execution outside the jurisdiction.

<sup>24.</sup> Substituted by Act No.2 of 2004.

(2) Such Police officer shall endorse his name on the reverse of the warrant and such endorsement shall be deemed sufficient authority to the Police officer to whom the warrant is directed to execute the same within the said limits, and the local Police shall, if so required, assist such officer in executing such warrant:

Provided that whenever there is sufficient reason to believe that the delay caused in obtaining such endorsement will prevent the execution of the warrant, the Police officer to whom it is directed may execute the same without such endorsement.

Person arrested to be brought before Criminal Court or \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad]. Central Act 2 of 1974. 55. Any person arrested within the City Police limits under sections 53 and 54 of this Act, shall, unless security is taken from him under <sup>25</sup>[the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973] be produced before a city Magistrate or the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad.]

When bail or bond may be taken from person arrested.

56. (1) If it appears to such City Magistrate or the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] that the person arrested is the person for whose arrest the Court had issued the warrant, he shall direct his removal in custody to the Court which issued the warrant:

Provided that if the offence is bailable and such person is ready and willing to execute a bond to the satisfaction of the City Magistrate or the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or to give security in pursuance of any direction endorsed on the warrant by the Court which issued the same, the City Magistrate or the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] shall take such bond or security, as the case may be, and shall forward the bond or security to the Court which issued the warrant.

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<sup>25.</sup> Substituted by Act No.2 of 2004.

#### SEARCH WARRANTS.

57. When in the execution of a search warrant issued by a Court outside the City Police limits any articles for which search is made are found within the City Police limits, such articles together with the list of the same shall be produced before a City Magistrate or the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] and such Magistrate or the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] shall, unless there is good reason to the contrary make an order for such articles to be taken to the Court which issued the search warrant.

Disposal of articles discovered in the execution of search warrant issued by a court outside the City Police limits.

58. The \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may, if he thinks fit, retain in his custody any document or article found or produced before him and in respect of which there is sufficient reason to believe that it relates to a matter under investigation or that an offence has been committed.

Power to seize documents or articles produced.

#### CHAPTER VI OFFENCES AND PUNISHMENTS.

59. Whoever without reasonable excuse wilfully enters or remains in or upon any dwelling house or building or premises or any land or ground attached thereto, or any ground or Government building or monument or any building appropriated to public purposes, whether any actual damage is caused thereby or not, be punished with fine which may extend to twenty rupees.

Wilful trespass.

60. Whoever wilfully gives or causes to be given by any means a false alarm of fire to any fire brigade or to any officer or firemen thereof, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three months or with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees or with both.

False alarm of fire.

Person being found under suspicious circumstances between sunset and sunrise.

- 61. Whoever between sunset and sunrise,-
- (a) is found armed with any dangerous instrument with intent to commit an offence, or
- (b) covers his face, or otherwise disguises, with intent to commit an offence, or
- (c) is found in any dwelling house or building under such circumstances as not to be able to give a satisfactory account for his presence there, or
- (d) is found lying or loitering in any street or yard or other place, being a reputed thief and without being able to give a satisfactory account for his presence there, or
- (e) has in his possession without reasonable excuse (the burden of proving which shall be on him) any implement of house-breaking,

shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to 3 months.

Possession of suspected articles.

62. Whoever has in his possession or conveys in any manner or offers for sale or pawn any article which there is sufficient reason to believe is stolen property or property obtained by fraud, shall, if he fails to account for such possession or act to the satisfaction of the Magistrate, be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to 3 months or with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.

Carrying intoxicating drugs, etc into hospital or military barracks.

- 63. Whoever,-
- (a) takes or introduces or attempts to take or introduce any fermented liquors or other intoxicating drugs or

preparations into any public hospital without the permission of a Medical Officer of such hospital, or

- (b) takes or causes to be introduced or attempts to take or introduce any fermented liquors or other intoxicating drugs or preparations for any military officer not being above the rank of a non-commissioned officer into any building occupied by the troops or barracks or guard room or military encampment, shall be punished with imprisonment, for a term which may extend to two months or with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees and such fermented and intoxicating drugs as also the vessels containing the same shall be forfeited.
- 64. (1) Whoever, being ordinarily a pawn-broker, or dealer in second-hand property, or worker in metals, or reasonably believed by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] to be such a person, and having received from a Police officer written or printed information that the possession of any property is suspected to have been transferred by any offence mentioned in <sup>26</sup>[section 411 of the Indian Penal Code] or by any offence punishable under <sup>26</sup>[section 417, 418, 419 or 420 of the Indian Penal Code] is found in the possession or thereafter comes into the possession or has an offer either by way of sale, pawn, or exchange or for custody, alteration or for any other purpose, made to him, of property answering the description contained in the aforesaid information, shall, unless-

(firstly) he forthwith gives information to the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or at a Police Station of such possession or offer and takes suitable steps to ascertain the name and address of the person from whom the possession or offer was received and to give information as aforesaid,

Omission to report as to suspected articles.

<sup>26.</sup> Substituted by the A.P.A.O. 1957.

(secondly) - the property being a common wearing apparel or otherwise, incapable of identification from the written or printed information, has been in no way concealed after the receipt of such information, be punished with fine which may extend to fifty rupees in respect of each such articles which may be in his possession or offered to him.

(2) Whoever, after the receipt of such information as aforesaid, alters, melts, defaces or puts away or causes or suffers to be altered, melted, defaced or put away any property without previous permission of the Police, shall, on proof that the same was stolen property within the meaning of <sup>27</sup>[section 411 of the Indian Penal Code], or property in respect of which any offence punishable under <sup>27</sup>[section 417, 418, 419 or 420 of the Indian Penal Code], was committed, be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years or with fine or with both.

Taking any article on pledge from child.

65. Whoever takes from any child not appearing to be above the age of 14 years, any article as a pawn or pledge as security for any sum of money given to such child as a loan or advance or otherwise or buys from such child any article, without the knowledge and consent of the owner of the aricle, shall be punished with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.

Miscellaneous acts declared to be offences.

- 66. Whoever in any street, or public place,-
- (a) cleans any article of furniture, or any vehicle or grooms any animal,
- (b) except at such time and place as are permitted by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] makes any part of any vehicle, or save in case of a serious accident

<sup>27.</sup> Substituted by the A.P.A.O. 1957.

rendering repair on the spot unavoidable, repairs any part of any vehicle,

- (c) drives, leads, or propels on any path meant for pedestrians, any vehicle or rides any animal other than a perambulator, or
- (d) except at such times and places as the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may have permitted, trains or breaks any horse,
- (e) sets on or urges a dog or other animal to attack, worry or put in fear any person or animal,
- (f) negligently lets loose any horse, or other animal so as to cause danger, injury, alarm or annoyance or lets loose any ferocious dog without a muzzle,
- (g) causes obstruction, damage or injury by any misbehaviour, negligence or ill-usage in the driving or supervision or treatment or care of any cattle or animal,
- <sup>28</sup>[(gg) without the consent of the owner or occupier in any manner affixes or causes to be affixed any bill, notice, document, paper or other thing, upon the street or public place or upon any place of public resort or upon any building, monument, statue, effigy, post, wall, fence, tree or other erection therein, or in any manner defaced, disfigured, written upon, or otherwise marks, or causes to be defaced, disfigured, written upon, or otherwise marked, the street, public place or any such place of public resort, building, monument, statue, effigy, post, wall, fence, tree or erection,]

<sup>28.</sup> Added by Act No.XXVI of 1954.

- (h) obstructs or otherwise causes inconvenience to a person by wilful intrusion or by improper use of a place at which bathing is permitted,
- (i) flies a kite in a manner likely to cause danger, alarm or injury to any person or horse or property,

shall, for every such offence, be punished with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

Letting off firework, burning straw, etc., or firing gun in or near a public place.

- 67. Except at such times or places as are permitted by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] from time to time, whoever in or near a street or public place,-
- (a) sets fire to or burns any rubbish or straw or any other matter, or
  - (b) lights a bonfire, or
  - (c) lets off and throws a firework, and

whoever in or within two hundred yards of any street or public place,

- (d) wantonly discharges a firearm, or
- (e) sends up a rocket or balloon,

shall, if he commits acts under sub-sections (d) or (e), be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to eight days or with fine which may extend to fifty rupees, and in other cases be punished with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

Exposing of body in indecent manner.

68. Whoever in any street or public place or place of public traffic or in a place within sight of any street or public place, and in such manner as to be seen from there, whether or

not such place is an inner portion of a dwelling house or building, wilfully and indecently exposes his person, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to eight days or with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

69. Whoever in any street or public place begs alms, or directs or permits, children in his care to beg alms or expose to the public an ulcer, wound or ailment or physical deformity, with intent to receive alms or to force any person to give alms, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one month or with fine which may extend to fifty rupees or with both.

Begging alms in indecent manner.

70. Whoever in any street or public place or place of public resort.-

Indecent acts in street etc.

- (a) is in such a state of intoxication as not to be able to protect himself,
- (b) behaves in an indecent, riotous or disorderly manner,
- (c) uses any threatening, insulting or obscene words or gestures, likely to disturb public peace or cause public nuisance.

shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to eight days or with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

71. Whoever in any Court or Police Station or Government office, behaves in an indecent, violent or disorderly manner, shall be punished with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

Indecent behaviour in Court, Govt. offices or Police Station.

72. Whoever in any Court or Police Station or Police office or building used for Government purposes or building

Contravention of notices affixed in Government buildings.

occupied by any public body, smokes or spits in contravention of a notice approved by the Government and affixed to some conspicuous place in such Court, station, office or building shall be punished with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

## Committing nuisance in or near public place.

- 73. Whoever in or near any street or public place or public passage,-
  - (a) commits nuisance by easing himself, or
- (b) having the care and custody of any child under (7) years of age suffers such child to commit a nuisance as aforesaid.

shall be punished with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

# Permitting disorderly conduct in public place.

74. Whoever being the keeper of any public place of amusement or entertainment knowingly permits drunkenness, disorderly behaviour or gaming in such place, shall be punished with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.

### Cheating at games.

75. Whoever, by any fraud or unlawful device or malpractice in playing at or with cards or dice or any other game or in taking part in the wagers or in betting on the sides or hands of the players, or in wagering on the event of any game, sport, pastime or physical exercise, wins from any other person either for himself or for any other person or persons, any sum of money or valuable thing, shall be deemed guilty of cheating within the meaning of <sup>29</sup>[section 415 of the Indian Penal Code], and be liable to punishment accordingly.

<sup>29.</sup> Substituted by the A.P.A.O. 1957.

#### 76. Whoever,-

Contravention of rules and orders issued under this Act.

- (a) contravenes any rule made under section 21 of this Act or any other order or prohibition lawfully given under sub-section (3) of section 21 or section 22, or
- (b) refuses or fails to conform to any lawful and reasonable direction of any Police officer given in accordance with this Act, or with any rule made thereunder, or
- (c) opposes or disobeys or fails to conform to any direction of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] notified under section 26 of this Act, or abets opposition or refusal to conform to such direction, shall,-
- (firstly) for any contravention of a rule made under section 21 of this Act, if the said rule is made under subsection (a), (b) or (c) or under clauses (first) and (second) of sub-section (f), be punished with fine which may extend to fifty rupees; and if the rule contravened is made under subsection (d) or (e) or under clause (third) or (fourth) or (fifth) of sub-section (f), be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to (8) days or with fine which may extend to fifty rupees or with both.

(secondly) - if the offence constitutes a contravention of any prohibitory order made under sub-section (2) or sub-section (3) of section 22 or clause (c) of this section, be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one month or with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees or with both, <sup>30</sup> [and

(thirdly) - in other cases, be punished with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.]

<sup>30.</sup> Added by Act No.XXV of 1359 F.

Entering in City Police limits without permission after expulsion. 77. Whoever, having been removed from the City Police limits under section 22 of this Act, re-enters any place within such limits without written permission by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] within two years from the date of removal shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years or with fine or with both.

Prosecution in certain offences not to be compulsory.

78. It shall not be incumbent on the \*[Commissioner City Police, Hyderabad] or any Assistant Commissioner of Police specially authorised in writing in this behalf by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad], to prosecute any person for offences punishable under sub-section (3) of section 10 or section 64, 65, 68 or 75 unless the Government has made an order or prescribed a rule in this behalf or such offences have occasioned serious loss.

Prosecution under other enactments.

79. Nothing in this Act shall prevent any person from being prosecuted and punished under any other enactment for any offence punishable under this Act, or from being prosecuted and punished under this Act, for an offence punishable under any other enactment:

Central Act 2 of 1974.

Provided that such cases shall be subject to the provisions of <sup>31</sup>[section 300 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973.]

## CHAPTER VII MISCELLANEOUS.

Disposal of fees, reward etc.

80. All moneys realised as fees for licences or written permission issued under this Act, and all sums paid for the service of processes by Police officers, or all rewards, forfeitures and penalties or shares thereof which are payable to any Police officer giving information or for detecting

<sup>31.</sup> Substituted by Act No.2 of 2004.

crimes, shall, save in so for as any portion of such sums is by any law for the time being in force, payable to the Hyderabad Municipality, be credited to the Government:

Provided that with the sanction of the Government or under the rules made by the Government in this behalf, the whole or any portion of such rewards, penalties or forfeitures may, for special services, be paid to a Police officer or be divided amongst two or more Police officers.

81. Any order or notification issued or published under this Act by the Government or by a Magistrate or officer, the publication and issue thereof, may be proved by the <sup>32</sup>[Official Gazette] in which such order or notification is published or by a copy thereof signed by such Magistrate or officer and by him certified to be a true copy of an original order or notification issued according to the section of this Act applicable thereto.

Method of proving orders and circulars.

82. No rule, order, direction, adjudication, inquiry or notification made or published, and no act done under the provisions of this Act or under any rules made under this Act, or which may be deemed to be in conformity to the same, shall be deemed illegal, void, invalid or insufficient by reason of not being in the prescribed form, or any defect in the publication or any irregularity of procedure.

Rules and orders not to be deemed invalid.

83. (1) If any rule or order made by the Government in pursuance of the provisions herein contained and imposing on the public or a particular class of persons the responsibility to perform any duty or act, or requiring them or those under their control to do an act in the manner specified in the said rule or order, it shall be competent to any person interested, to apply to the Government through

Mode of actions by persons interested for cancellation and amendment of orders issued.

<sup>32.</sup> Substituted for the words "Jarida" by the A.P.A.O. 1957.

the Secretary concerned to annul, alter or amend such rule or order stating that the same is unlawful or oppressive.

When suit shall lie to declare order unlawful.

(2) If such an application has been wholly or in part rejected or if after the lapse of four months no answer thereto or decision thereon has been received from or published by the Government, it shall be competent to the person interested to institute a suit against the Government for a declaration that such order or rule is unlawful either wholly or in part. Any such rule or order finally adjudged by a Court to be unlawful shall be annulled or so altered or amended as to make it conformable to law.

Specifying condition etc., in licences and permits.

84. (1) Any written permission or licence granted under this Act to any person, shall specify the period and locality for which, and the conditions and restrictions subject to which, the person to whom the permission or licence is granted shall act, and shall be signed by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad]; and such fee shall be charged therefor as may be prescribed by rules made under this Act in this behalf.

Suspension, revocation of licence etc.

(2) Any written permission or licence granted under this Act may be suspended or revoked by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] if the person to whom the written permission or licence has been granted infringes or evades compliance with its conditions and restrictions, or is convicted of any offence in any matter which relates to such licence or written permission.

When licence is suspended or revoked the person shall be deemed without licence. (3) When any such licence or written permission is suspended or revoked or when the period for which the same was granted has expired, the person to whom the same was granted shall be deemed to be without a licence or permission, until the order of suspension or revocation is cancelled by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or until the same is renewed.

(4) Every person to whom any licence or written permission has been granted shall, while the licence or written permission remains in force, at all reasonable times produce the same before a Police officer when required.

Production of licence on demand.

85. Any notification required to be published under this Act, shall be in writing and shall be published by affixing in any conspicuous place in the locality where it is intended to be published, or by proclaiming the same with beat of drum, or by advertising the same in any local newspaper or by any other means which the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may think fit or by any two or more of the aforesaid means as may be suitable.

Mode of publication of notification.

86. Whenever under this Act any act or omission or the validity of any act depends upon the consent, approval, opinion or satisfaction of the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or of any other Police officer, a document signed by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] or by such Police officer, purporting to set forth consent, approval, opinion or satisfaction shall be deemed sufficient evidence thereof.

Permission etc., of \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] may be proved by writing under his signature.

87. Save any summonses, warrants, or search warrants, required, by the provisions of this Act or the rules made thereunder, to be signed by the \*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad] every licence or written permission or notification or document shall be deemed to be duly signed if it bears a facsimile of his signature stamped thereon.

Notifications may be signed by seal.

88. (1) No Magistrate or Police officer shall be liable to any penalty or to payment of any damages on account of any act done or intended to be done in good faith in the discharge of his duties or exercise of powers under the provisions of this Act or in accordance with any rule or order or direction issued or rules made thereunder.

Saving for Magistrate or Police officer for any act done in good faith in discharge of duties. (2) No Government servant or person who has been duly appointed or authorized shall be liable to payment of the penalty or damages as aforesaid for giving effect in good faith to any such order or direction purporting to be issued by the Government or by any person authorised in that behalf under this Act or under any rule made under this Act.

Prosecution or suit to be filed within three months.

(3) If a Magistrate or Police officer or other person is charged with an offence or a wrong in respect of an act done by him under colour of his functions or in excess of his powers or duties as aforesaid, or wherein it shall appear to the Court that the offence or wrong with which any Magistrate or Police officer or other person has been charged, or which has been committed by him is of the character aforesaid, any suit or prosecution instituted after three months from the date on which the act is done, shall not be entertained and shall be dismissed.

Suits in certain cases shall be dismissed.

(4) If the plaint relating to such suit does not expressly allege that the act complained of has been done with malicious intent and without reasonable cause, such suit shall be dismissed, and if in a suit for damages tender of sufficient amends is made by the defendant before the institution of the suit, or a sufficient sum of money is paid into Court, with costs by or on behalf of the defendant, after the institution of the suit, such suit shall be dismissed.

#### SCHEDULE.

#### **Form**

#### Certificate of Service.

(See section 8 (1))

\*[Commissioner of City Police, Hyderabad.]

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