ACT No. XI of 1932.

[PASSED BY THE INDIAN LEGISLATURE.]

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 8th April, 1932.)

An Act to validate certain suits relating to public matters.

HEREAS it is expedient to validate certain suits relating to public matters which may be or have been held to be invalid by reason of the previous sanction of the Local Government in respect thereof not having been obtained as required by section 93 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Public Suits Validation Short title and extent. Act, 1932.

- (2) It extends to all parts of British India to which sections 91, 92 and 93 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, extend.
- 2. Where a suit relating to any of the public matters spe- Validation of cified in sections 91 and 92 of the Code of Civil Procedure, public suits. 1908, is pending at the commencement of this Act, the institution of such suit shall not be deemed to be invalid on the ground that the previous sanction of the Local Government in respect of such suit has not been obtained as required by section 93 of that Code.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this section a suit pending at the commencement of this Act includes a suit in respect of which an appeal lies or is pending at the commencement of this Act.

3. Where any suit relating to any such public matter has, Restoration of certain disafter the 30th day of November, 1931, and before the com-missed public suits. mencement of this Act, been dismissed by a Court of first instance solely on the ground that the sanction of the Local Government in respect of such suit has not been obtained as required by section 93 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, the Court shall, on application made within six months from

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the commencement of this Act, make an order setting aside its decree and shall proceed with the suit.

Retrial of certain appeals relating to public suits.

4. Where, in any appeal arising from a suit relating to any such public matter, a decree has been passed after the 30th day of November, 1931, and before the commencement of this Act, dismissing the appeal or dismissing the suit from which the appeal arose, solely on the ground that the previous sanction of the Local Government in respect of the suit had not been obtained as required by section 93 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, the Appellate Court shall, V of 1908. on application made within six months from the commencement of this Act, make an order setting aside its decree and shall proceed with the appeal.