

Application
of fines
recovered
under
section 25,
26, or 27.

28. All fines recovered under section 25, section 26 or section 27 may be appropriated in whole or in part as compensation for loss or damage proved to the satisfaction of the convicting Magistrate.

CHAPTER VII.

SUITS FOR COMPENSATION.

Saving of
right to sue
for compen-
sation.

29. Nothing herein contained prohibits any person whose crops or other produce of land have been damaged by trespass of cattle from suing for compensation in any competent Court.

Set-off.

30. Any compensation paid to such person under this Act by order of the convicting Magistrate shall be set-off and deducted from any sum claimed by or awarded to him as compensation in such suit.

CHAPTER VIII.

SUPPLEMENTAL.

Power for
President to
transfer cer-
tain func-
tions to local
authority
and direct
credit of
surplus
receipts to
local fund.

31. The President of the Union may, from time to time, by notification in the Gazette.—

- (a) transfer to any local authority within any part of the Union of Burma in which this Act is in operation all or any of the functions of the President of the Union or the District Magistrate under this Act, within the local area subject to the jurisdiction of the local authority, or
- (b) direct that the whole or any part of the surplus accruing in any district under section 18 of this Act shall be placed to the credit of such local fund or funds as may be formed for any local area or local areas comprised in that district.

THE CATTLE SLAUGHTER PROHIBITION ACT.

[BURMA ACT LII, 1947.] (15th September, 1947.)

It is hereby enacted as follows :—

1. This Act shall have force, as from the fifteenth day of September, 1947 until the President of the Union shall, by notification, declare it to be no longer in force.

2. In this Act,—

- (1) "cattle" means bullock, bull, cow, calf, buffalo (male or female) or buffalo calf; and

(2) "competent authority" means the Deputy Commissioner or such other person as the President of the Union may appoint in this behalf.

¹ 3. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Municipal Act, the City of Rangoon Municipal Act, the Cantonments Act, the Rural Self-Government Act, or the Essential Supplies and Services Act, 1947, in relation to the slaughter of cattle, whoever slaughters cattle without the permission of a competent authority or whoever is found in possession of any flesh [or hide]² of the cattle which has been slaughtered without such permission shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to one year, or with whipping, or with both imprisonment and whipping, and shall also be liable to fine.

(2) In a prosecution under this section [except for illegal possession of any hide of cattle]³ unless and until the accused proves that the cattle was slaughtered with the permission of a competent authority or that the flesh found in his possession is the flesh of the cattle slaughtered with such permission or that the cattle had died of other causes, it shall be presumed that the cattle had been slaughtered in contravention of the provisions of sub-section (1).

³ Explanation.—For the purpose of this section "hide" means the skin of a cattle after it is stripped off, and before it undergoes a process of tanning.

4. The discretion to give permission under section 3 shall be exercised in accordance with instructions to be issued by the President of the Union.

5. A competent authority may, within the area of his jurisdiction, cause entry and inspection to be made of any place, where an offence under this Act is reported to be, or likely to be committed.

E.—REHABILITATION.

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BUILDINGS (REGULATION OF CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR) ACT.

[BURMA ACT II, 1946.] (9th January, 1946.)

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision for regulating the erection, re-erection and repair of buildings:

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It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Buildings (Regulation of Construction and Repair) Act, 1946.

(2) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 9th January 1946, and shall apply only to such towns, villages or other local areas as the President of the Union may from time to time, by notification, prescribe.

Short title, commencement and application.

¹ Substituted by Act XLVI, 1950.

² Inserted by Act XXI, 1952.