



The High Courts (Seals) Act, 1950

(ACT NO. 7 OF 1950)

[As on the 7th May, 2025]

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED

A.O.	<i>for</i>	Adaptation of Laws Order
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ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

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1. Short title.
2. Seals of High Courts.
3. [*Repealed.*]

THE HIGH COURTS (SEALS) ACT, 1950

ACT No. 7 OF 1950

[27th February, 1950.]

An Act to provide for the use of seals of common form and design by the High Courts in the States.

BE it enacted by Parliament as follows:—

1. Short title.—This Act may be called the High Courts (Seals) Act, 1950.

2. Seals of High Courts.—(1) Every High Court in a ¹[State] shall have and use, as occasion may arise, a seal bearing a device and impression of the Asoka capital within an exergue or label surrounding the same, with the following inscriptions at convenient places, namely, “THE SEAL OF THE HIGH COURT AT (or OF)”, followed by the name of the seal of the High Court or the name of the State, as the case may be, and “Satyameva Jayate” in Devanagari script.

(2) Every Court of the Judicial Commissioner for a ²[Union territory] shall have and use, as occasion may arise, a seal similar to the seal of a High Court in a ³* * * State, but with the first inscription reading “THE SEAL OF THE JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER'S COURT FOR” followed by the ⁴[name of the Union territory].

(3) The provisions of this shall supersede any provision contrary thereto or inconsistent therewith contained in any Letters Patent, Order, direction or other law relating to the use of seals by High Courts.

3. [Repeal of Ordinance 13 of 1950.] Rep. by the Repealing and Amending Act, 1957 (36 of 1957), s. 2 and the First Schedule.

1. Subs. by the Adaptation of Laws (No. 3) Order, 1956, for “Part A State or Part B State”.

2. Subs., *ibid.*, for “Part C State”.

3. The word and letter “Part A” omitted, *ibid.*

4. Subs., *ibid.*, for “name of the State”.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

“The High Courts (Seals) Ordinances, 1950 (13 of 1950). Was promulgated on the 26th January, 1950, with a view to provide for the use of seals of common form and design by the High Courts in the States. The Ordinances will cease to operate at the expiration of six week from the commencement of the current session of Parliament and the person Bill seeks to replace it by a permanent measure.”

NEW DELHI

V.J. PATEL.

The 13th February, 1950.