# THE PUNJAB VILLAGE COMMON LANDS (REGULATION) ACT, 1961

# (Applicable to Haryana)

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(Punjab Act No. 18 of 1961)

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Year	No.	Short title	Whether repealed or otherwise
			affected by legislation
1961	18	The Punjab Village	Amended by Punjab Act 19 of 1964 <sup>2</sup>
		Common Lands	Amended by Punjab Act 13 of 1965 <sup>3</sup>
		(Regulation)	Amended by Haryana Adaptation of
		Act, 1961	Laws (State and Concurrent Subjects)
			Order, 1968 <sup>4</sup>
			Amended by Haryana Act 18 of 1971 <sup>5</sup>
			Amended by Haryana Act 43 of 1971 <sup>6</sup>
			Amended by Haryana Act 23 of 1973 <sup>7</sup>
			Amended by Haryana Act 47 of 19738
			Amended by Haryana Act 34 of 19749
			Amended by Haryana Act 25 of 1976 <sup>10</sup>

- 1. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Punjab Government Gazette (Extraordinary) 1958, Page 1503.
- 2. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Punjab Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1964, page 285.
- 3. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Punjab Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1965, page 362.
- 4. See Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), Leg. Supplement Part-III, 1968, page 561.
- 5. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1971, page 206.
- 6. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1971, page 1380.
- 7. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1973, page 816.
- 8. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1973, page 2037.
- 9. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1974, page 1200.
- For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1976, page 1166.

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Year	No.	Short title	Whether repealed or otherwise affected by legislation
1961	18	The Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961	Amended by Haryana Act 8 of 1978 <sup>1</sup> Amended by Haryana Act 2 of 1981 <sup>2</sup> Amended by Haryana Act 15 of 1983 <sup>3</sup> Amended by Haryana Act 9 of 1986 <sup>4</sup> Amended by Haryana Act 9 of 1992 <sup>5</sup> Amended by Haryana Act 18 of 1995 <sup>6</sup> Amended by Haryana Act 13 of 1996 <sup>7</sup> Amended by Haryana Act 13 of 2003 <sup>9</sup> Amended by Haryana Act 8 of 2007 <sup>10</sup> Amended by Haryana Act 6 of 2012 <sup>11</sup> Amended by Haryana Act 23 of 2013 <sup>12</sup>
			Amended by Haryana Act 10 of 2017 <sup>13</sup>

- 1. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1978, page 282.
- 2. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1980, page 2244.
- 3. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1983, page 1150.
- 4. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1986, page 286.
- 5. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1991, page 534.
- 6. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1995, page 1594.
- 7. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1996, page 519.
- 8. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 1999, page 45.
- 9. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 2003 page 643.
- 10. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 2007 page 752.
- 11. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 2012 page 541.
- 12. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 2013 page 4011.
- 13. For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), 2017 page 648.

### AN

### **ACT**

## to consolidate and amend the law regulating the rights in shamilat deh and abadi deh.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Punjab in the Twelfth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

- 1. (1) This Act may be called the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961.
  - (2) It extends to the whole of the State of <sup>1</sup>[Haryana].
  - (3) It shall come into force at once.
  - 2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—
- Short title, extent and commencement.

Definitions.

- <sup>2</sup>[(a) "Assistant Collector of the first grade" means an Assistant Collector of the first Grade and include any other officer empowered by the State Government to exercise the powers and perform the duties under this Act;]
- "Collector" means the Collector of the district and includes any other officer appointed by the State Government for performing the functions of the Collector under this Act;]
- <sup>4</sup>[(aaa) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of the Division and includes any other officer appointed by the State Government for performing the functions of the Commissioner under this Act;]
  - (b) "displaced person" means a person defined as such in the East Punjab Displaced Persons (Land Resettlement) Act, 1949, or the Patiala and East Punjab States Union Displaced Persons (Land Resettlement) Ordinance,
  - "Financial Commissioner" means the Financial Commissioner to Government, Haryana, appointed by the  $^{5}[(b-i)]$ State Government for the purpose of this Act;]
  - "hilly area" means Naraingarh Block, Manimajra Block, Raipur Rani Block, and Chhachharauli Block;] 6[(bb)
- 1. Substituted for the word "Punjab" by the Haryana Adaptation of Laws (State and Concurrent
- 2. Clause (a) substituted by Haryana Act 47 of 1973 and then substituted by Haryana Act 6
- 3. Substituted by Haryana Act 8 of 1978.
- 4. Inserted by Haryana Act 2 of 1981.
- 6. Inserted by Punjab Act 19 of 1964, Section 2, and substituted by Punjab Act 13 of 1965, Section 2 and further substituted by Haryana Adaptation of Laws (State and Concurrent Subjects) Order, 1968.

- (c) "house" includes a courtyard whether walled or not;
- (d) "inhabitant of a village" means a person, whether a proprietor or a non-proprietor, who ordinarily resides in the village:

Provided that temporary absence or absence in relation to employment elsewhere shall not affect his residence in the village;

- "panchayat" means a Gram Panchayat constituted under the Haryana Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 (11 of 1994;]
  - (f) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules made under this Act;
- (g) "shamilat deh" includes—
  - (1) lands described in the revenue records as <sup>2</sup>[Shamilat Deh or Charand] excluding abadi deh;
  - (2) shamilat tikkas;
  - (3) lands described in the revenue records as shamilat, tarafs, patties, pannas and tholas and used according to revenue records for the benefit of the village community or a part thereof or for common purposes of the village;
  - <sup>3</sup>[(4) lands used or reserved for the benefit of village community including streets, lanes, playgrounds, schools, drinking wells or ponds situated within the sabha area as defined in clause (mmm) of section 3 of the Punjab Gram Panchayat Act, 1952, excluding lands reserved for the common purposes of a village under section 18 of the East Punjab Holdings (Consolidation and Prevention of Fragmentation ) Act, 1948 (East Punjab Act 50 of 1948), the management and control whereof vests in the State Government under section 23-A of the aforesaid Act;]

Substituted by Haryana Act 2 of 1981 and futher substituted by Haryana Act 8
of 2007.

<sup>2.</sup> Substituted by Haryana Act 43 of 1971.

<sup>3.</sup> Substituted by Haryana Act 9 of 1992.

- [(4a) vacant land situate in abadi deh or gorah deh not owned by any person;]
  - (5) lands in any village described as banjar qadim and used for common purposes of the village according to revenue records;

## but does not include land which—

- (i) becomes or has become shamilat deh due to river action or has been reserved as shamilat in villages subject to river action except shamilat deh entered as pasture, pond or playground in the revenue records;
- (ii) has been allotted on quasi-permanent basis to a displaced person;
- <sup>3</sup>[(ii-a) was shamilat deh, but has been allotted to any person by the Rehabilitation Department of the State Government, after the commencement of this Act, but on or before the 9th day of July, 1985;]
  - (iii) has been partitioned and brought under cultivation by individual land holders before the 26th January, 1950;
  - (iv) having been acquired before the 26th January, 1950, by a person or in exchange for proprietary land from a co-sharer in the shamilat deh is so recorded in the jamabandi or is supported by a valid deed;
    - (v) is described in the revenue records as shamilat, taraf, pattis, pannas and thola and used according to revenue records for the benefit of the village community or a part thereof for common purposes of the village;
  - <sup>4</sup>[(vi) lies outside the abadi deh and was being used as gitwar, bara, manure pit, house or for cottage industry, immediately before the commencement of this Act;]

<sup>1.</sup> Inserted by Haryana Act 23 of 1973 and further omitted by Haryana Act 2 of 1981 and further inserted by Haryana Act 15 of 1983 w.e.f. 12-2-1981.

<sup>2.</sup> Omitted by Haryana Act 9 of 1992.

<sup>3.</sup> Inserted by Haryana Act 13 of 1996.

<sup>4.</sup> Substituted by Haryana Act 2 of 1981.

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(viii) was shamilat deh, was assessed to land revenue and has been in the individual cultivating possession of co-shares not being in excess of their respective shares in such shamilat deh on or before the 26th January, 1950; or

(ix) is used as a place of worship or for purposes subservient thereto;

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### (h) "shamilat law" means—

- (i) in relation to land situated in <sup>2</sup>[part of the territory] which immediately before the 1st November, 1956, was comprised in the State of Punjab, the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1953; or
- (ii) in relation to land situated in <sup>2</sup>[part of the territory] which immediately before the 1st November, 1956, was comprised in the State of Patiala and East Punjab States Union, the Pepsu Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1954;
- (i) "State Government" means the Government of the State of <sup>2</sup>[Haryana;]
- <sup>3</sup>[(6) lands reserved for the common purposes of a village under section 18 of East Punjab Holdings (Consolidation and Prevention of Fragmentation) Act, 1948 (East Punjab Act 50 of 1948), the management and control whereof vests in the Gram Panchayat under section 23-A of the aforesaid Act.

Explanation.—Lands entered in the column of ownership of record of rights as 'Jumla Malkan Wa Digar Haqdaran Arazi Hassab Rasad', 'Jumla Malkan' or 'Mushtarka Malkan' shall be shamilat deh within the meaning of this section.]

<sup>1.</sup> Omitted by Haryana Act 18 of 1995.

Substituted for the words "the territory" by the Haryana Adaptation of Laws (State and Concurrent Subjects) Order. 1968.

<sup>3.</sup> Inserted by Haryana Act 9 of 1992.

3. (1) This Act shall apply, and before the commencement of Lands to which this Act, the shamilat law shall be deemed always to have applied, to all lands which are shamilat deh as defined in clause (g) of section 2.

this Act applies

- <sup>1</sup>[(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1) of section 4,—
  - (i) where any land has vested in a panchayat under the shamilat law, but such land, other than that excluded under sub-clause (ii-a) of clause (g) of section 2, has been excluded from shamilat deh as defined in clause (g)of section 2, all rights, title and interest of the panchayat in such land shall, as from the commencement of this Act, cease and such rights, title and interest shall be revested in the person or persons in whom they vested immediately before the commencement of the shamilat law; and the panchayat shall deliver possession of such land to such person or persons:

Provided that where a panchayat in unable to deliver possession of any such land on account of its having been sold or utilised for any of its purposes, the rights, title and interest of the panchayat in such land shall not so cease but the panchayat shall, notwithstanding anything contained in section 10, pay to the person or persons entitled to such land, compensation to be determined in accordance with such principles and in such manner as may be prescribed;

(ii) where any land has vested in a panchayat under this Act, but such land has been excluded from shamilat deh under sub-clause (ii-a) of clause (g) of section 2, all rights, title and interest of the panchayat in such land, from the date of allotment of such land by the Rehabilitation Department of the State Government, shall cease and all such rights, title and interest shall vest in the person or persons to whom the land so excluded has been allotted by the Rehabilitation Department of the State Government on or before the 9th day of July, 1985, subject to the condition that-

- (a) any sum of money realised by the Rehabilitation Department of the State Government as result of allotment of such land; or
- (b) where no money was realisable by the Rehabilitation Department of the State Government as a result of allotment of such land, the amount of compensation in respect of such land as determined under sub-section (3) by the Collector of the district in which such a land is situated,

shall be paid by the Rehabilitation Department of the State Government to the Development and Panchayats Department for onward disbursement to the panchayat to which such shamilat deh belonged.

- (3) As soon as may be, on the commencement of the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Haryana Amendment Act, 1996, the Development and Panchayats Department shall make reference to the Collector of the district to determine the amount of compensation under sub-clause (ii) of sub-section (2) and the Collector of the district shall, keeping in view the market value of the shamilat deh at the time it was allotted determine the amount of compensation.]
- Vesting of rights in other law for the time being in force or in any agreement, instrument, and non-proprietors.

  4. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any other law for the time being in force or in any agreement, instrument, custom or usage or any decree or order of any court or other authority, all rights, title and interests whatever in the land,—
  - (a) which is included in the shamilat deh of any village and which has not vested in a panchayat under the shamilat law shall, at the commencement of this Act, vest in panchayat constituted for such village, and where no such payment has been constituted for such village, vests in the panchayat on such date as a panchayat having jurisdiction over that village is constituted;

- (b) which is situated within or outside the abadi deh of a village and which is under the house owned by a nonproprietor, shall on the commencement of the shamilat law, be deemed to have been vested in such nonproprietor.
- (2) Any land which is vested in a panchayat under the shamilat law shall be deemed to have been vested in the panchayat under this Act.
- (3) Nothing contained in clause (a) of sub-section (1) and is sub-section (2) shall affect or shall be deemed ever to have affected the—
  - (i) existing rights, title or interest of persons who though not entered as occupancy tenants in the revenue records are accorded a similar status by custom or otherwise, such as Dholidars, Bhondedars, Butimars, Basikhuopahus, Saunjidars, Muqararidars;
  - <sup>1</sup>[(ii) rights of persons who were in cultivating possession of shamilat deh on the date of the commencement of the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1953, or the Pepsu Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1954, and were in such cultivating possession for more than twelve years on such commencement without payment of rent or by payment of charges not exceeding the land revenue and cesses payable thereon;]
    - (iii) rights of a mortgagee to whom such land is mortgaged with possession before the 26th January, 1950.
- 5. (1) All lands vested or deemed to have been vested in a Regulation of panchayat under this Act, shall be utilized or disposed of by the panchayat, for the benefit of the inhabitants of the village concerned in the manner prescribed:

Provided that where two or more villages have a common panchayat the shamilat deh of each village shall be utilised and disposed of by the panchayat for the benefit of the inhabitants of that village:

use and occupation etc. of lands vested or deemed to have been vested in panchayats.

<sup>1.</sup> Substituted by Haryana Act 23 of 1973.

Provided further that where there are two or more shamilat tikkas in a village the shamilar tikka shall be utilised and disposed of by the panchayat for the benefit of the inhabitants of that tikka:

Provided further that where the area of land in shamilat deh of any village so vested or deemed to have been vested in a panchayat is in excess of twenty-five per cent of the total area of that village (excluding abadi deh) then twenty-five per cent of such total area shall be left to the panchayat and out of the remaining area of shamilat deh an area up to the extent of twenty-five percent of such total area shall be utilized for the settlement of landless tenants and other tenants ejected or to be ejected of that village and the remaining area of shamilat deh, if any, shall be utilized for distribution to the small landowners of that village subject to the provisions relating to ¹[permissible area under the Haryana Ceiling on Land Holdings Act, 1972, by the Assistant Collector of the first grade] in consultation with the panchayat ²[in such manner and on payment of such amount as may be prescribed.]

- (2) The area of shamilat deh to be utilized for the purposes of the third proviso to sub-section (1) shall be demarcated by such officer in consultation with the panchayat and in such manner as may be prescribed.
- (3) The State Government or any officers authorised by it in this behalf may from time to time, with a view to ensuring compliance with the provision of the second proviso to sub-section (1) or sub-section (2), issue to any panchayat such directions as may be deemed necessary.
- <sup>3</sup>[(4) Nothing contained in the third proviso to subsection (1), and in sub-section (2) and sub-section (3) shall apply to the hilly area.]
- <sup>4</sup>[(5) Notwithstanding anything contained in this section, if in the opinion of the State Government; it is necessary to take over, to secure proper management for better-utilization for the benefit of the inhabitants of the village concerned any shamilat deh, the Government may by notification take over the management of such shamilat deh, for a period not exceeding twenty years.

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<sup>1.</sup> Substituted by Haryana Act 47 of 1973.

<sup>2.</sup> Substituted by Haryana Act 23 of 1973.

<sup>3.</sup> Added by Punjab Act 19 of 1964, section 3.

<sup>4.</sup> Added by Haryana Act 18 of 1971, section 2.

<sup>5.</sup> Proviso deleted by Haryana Act 23 of 1973.

- (6) The income from the shamilat deh, the management of which is taken over under sub-section (5), after meeting all charges relating or incidental to the management and utilisation, shall be credited to the Gram Fund and utilised for the benefit of the inhabitants of the village concerned.]
- <sup>1</sup>[5Å. (1) A panchayat may gift, sell, exchange or lease the land in Disposal of shamilat deh vested in it under this Act to such persons including members lands vested or of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed:

deemed to have been vested in

Provided that the lease of land by way of allotment for cultivation panchayat. purposes may be given for a period upto 99 years only to a person who does not own any land for agriculture on the date of the commencement of this Act and has been the original lessee either under the provisions of the East Punjab Utilisation of Lands Act, 1949 (Punjab Act 38 of 1949) or under the provisions of the Punjab Village Common Land (Regulation) Act, 1953 for a period not less than seven years and has remained in continuous cultivating possession of the leased land upto the 24th September, 1986, with corresponding entries in the revenue record:

Provided further that the lessee shall make one time payment, as may be prescribed, for the period he remained in cultivating possession without making payment of lease money.

Explanation.—"Person" for the purpose of this sub-section shall include legal heirs of the original allottee.

- (2) The gift, sell, exchange of lease of the land in shamilat deh already made shall be deemed to have been made under sub-section (1).
- <sup>2</sup>["(3) The land in shamllat deh gifted to a department. Board or any agency of the State Government by the panchayat by passing a resolution and without prior approval of the State Government before the 4th April, 2007 shall be regularized by the panchayat at by forwarding the said resolution to the State Government for obtaining approval. The State Government may grant approval to such resolution.".]
- 5B. (1) Any transfer of land, gifted sold, exchanged or leased Certain before or after the commencement of this Act, made in contravention of transfers not to the prescribed terms and conditions, shall be void and the gifted, sold, exchanged or leased land so transferred shall revest to, and revert in, the rights. panchayat free from all encumbrances.

affect panchayat's

- 1. Substituted by Haryana Act 88 of 2007 and again substituted by Haryana Act 23 of 2013.
- 2. Added by Haryana Act 10 of 2017.

(2) The Government or any officer authorized by it may, either suo motu or on application made to him by a panchayat or an inhabitant of the village or the Block Development and Panchayat Officer, examine the record for the purpose of satisfying himself as to the legality or propriety of any sale, lease, gift, exchange, contract or agreement executed before or after commencement of this Act, if such sale, lease, gift, exchange, contract or agreement is found detrimental to the interest of the villagers and is no longer required in the interest of the panchayat, the Government may, after making such enquiry as it may deem fit, cancel the same and no separate proceedings under any law shall be required to cancel the sale, lease, gift or exchange. The panchayat shall be competent to take over the possession of such premises including the constructions thereon. If any, for which no compensation shall be payable.]

Appeal.

- 6. (1) If any person is aggrieved by an act or decision of panchayat under section 5, he may, within thirty days from the date of such act or decision, appeal to [the Assistant Collector of the first grade] who may confirm, reverse or modify the act or decision, or make such other order as he thinks to be just and proper.
- (2) The appellate order of <sup>1</sup>[the Assistant Collector of the first grade] shall be final.

Powers to put panchayats in possession of certain lands

<sup>2</sup>[7. (1) An Assistant Collector of the first grade having jurisdiction in the village may, either suo motu or on an application made to him by a panchayat or an inhabitant of the village or the Block Development and Panchayat Officer or Social Education and Panchayat Officer, or any other officer authorised by the Block Development and Panchayat Officer, after making such summary enquiry as he may deem fit and in accordance with such procedure as may be prescribed, eject any person who is in wrongful or unauthorised possession of the land or other immovable property in the shamilat deh of that village which vests or is deemed to have been vested in the panchayat under this Act and put the panchayat in possession thereof and for so doing the Assistant Collector of the first grade may exercise the powers of a revenue court in relation to the execution of a decree for possession of land under the Punjab Tenancy Act, 1887:

Provided that if in any such proceedings the question of title is raised and proved prima facie on the basis of documents that the question of title

- 1. Substituted by Haryana Act 47 of 1973.
- 2. Substituted by Haryana Act 34 of 1974, and further substituted by Haryana

is really involved, the Assistant Collector of the first grade shall record a finding to that effect and first decide the question of title in the manner laid down hereinafter.

- (2) The Assistant Collector of the first grade shall by an order, in writing, require any person to pay a penalty, in respect of the land or other immovable property which was or has been in his wrongful or unathorised possession, at a rate not less than five thousand rupees and not more than ten thousand rupees per hectare per annum, having regard to the benefit which could be derived from the land or other immovable property. If the penalty is not paid within the period of thirty days from the date of the order, the same shall be recoverable as arrears of land revenue.
- (3) The procedure for deciding the question of title under proviso to sub-section (1), shall be the same as laid down in the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908.
- (4) If any person refuses or fails to comply with the order of eviction passed under sub-section (1), within ten days of such order, the Assistant Collector of the first grade may use such force, including police force, as may be necessary for putting the panchayat in possession.
- (5) Any person who is found in wrongful possession of the land or other immovable property in shamilat deh and is ordered to be ejected under sub-section (1), shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years.
- 7A. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Code of Criminal Cognizance of Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974), no court other than that of the Judicial offence. Magistrate of the first class shall take cognizance of, or try, any offence punishable under this Act.

- 7B. No court shall take cognizance of any offence under this Act Procedure for except on the complaint of, or upon information received by the Block prosecution. Development and Panchayat Officer or District Development and Panchayat Officer or any other authorised by the State Government in this behalf. Such proceedings shall be initiated only after the ejectment order against such person has become final under section 7.1
- 8. (1) Where on any land in the shamilat deh immediately before Saving of it vests or is deemed to have been vested in a Panchayat under this Act, a existing person is in cultivating possession and his uncut and ungathered crops are possession. standing thereon, he shall not be ejected from such land unless the crops have ripened and he has been allowed reasonable time to harvest them.

(2) Any person aggrieved by any determination made by a panchayat under sub-section (1) may, within thirty days thereof, appeal to [the Assistant Collector of the first grade] whose decision thereon shall be final.

Utilisation of income.

9. Any income accruing from the use and occupation of the lands vested or deemed to have been vested in a panchayat shall be credited to the panchayat fund and shall be utilised in the manner prescribed.

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Bar of compensation.

10. No person shall be entitled to any compensation for any loss suffered or alleged to have been suffered as a result of the coming into force of this Act or of the shamilat law.

Power of

[Assistant
Collector of the
first grade] to
cancel or vary
[sales or
leases, gift or
exchange or]
etc. of lands
vested in
panchcayats.

<sup>2</sup>[10A. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or the shamilat law or any other law for the time being in force, <sup>3</sup>[the Assistant Collector of the first grade may call for from any panchayat in the area of his jurisdication] the record of any <sup>4</sup>[sale, lease], <sup>4</sup>[gift or exchange] contract or agreement entered into by the panchayat in respect of any land vested or deemed to be vested in it, whether such <sup>4</sup>[sale, lease or gift, exchange], contract or agreement is entered into before or after the commencement of the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Amendment Act, 1964, and examine such record for the purpose of satisfying himself as to the legality or properety of such <sup>4</sup>[sale, lease], [gift or exchange], contract or agreement.

- (2) Where, on examination of the record under sub-section (1) and after making such inquiry, if any, as he may deem fit, <sup>5</sup>[the Assistant Collector of the first grade] is satisfied that such <sup>4</sup>[sale, lease, gift or exchange], contract or agreement.—
  - (i) has been entered into in contravention of any of the provisions of this Act or the rules made thereunder; or
  - (ii) has been entered into as a result of fraud concealment of facts; or
  - (iii) is detrimental to the interests of the panchayat as prescribed; [the Assistant Collector of the first grade] may, notwithstanding anything as aforesaid, cancel the 4[sale, lease, gift or exchange], contract or agreement or vary the
  - 1. Substituted by Haryana Act 47 of 1973.
  - 2. Inserted by Punjab Act 19 of 1964, section 4.
  - 3. Substituted by Haryana Act 47 of 1973.
  - Substituted for the words "Leases" by Haryana Act 34 of 1974 and further substituted by Haryana Act 8 of 2007.
  - 5. Substituted by Haryana Act 47 of 1973.

terms thereof unconditionally or subject to such conditions as he may think fit:

Provided that no order under this sub-section shall be passed by [the Assistant Collector of the first grade] without affording an opportunity of being heard to the parties to the [sale, lease, gift or exchange], contract or agreement.

- (3) Where the terms of any <sup>2</sup>[sale, lease, gift of exchange], contract or agreement have been varied by 1[the Assistant Collector of the first grade] under sub-section (2), the variation shall, notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or the shamilat law or in any law for the time being in force, be binding on the parties to the 2[sale, lease, gift or exchange], contract or agreement, as the case may be.
- (4) Where the <sup>2</sup>[vendee, lessee] or the person with whom a contract or agreement has been entered into by a Panchayat refuses to accept the variation made by 2[the Assistant Collector of the first grade] under this section in the terms of  ${}^{3}[x \ x \ x] {}^{2}[sale, lease]$ , [gift or exchange] contract or agreement, such [sale, lease, gift or exchange], contract or agreement, as the case may be, shall be deemed to be cancelled by 1[the Assistant Collector of the first grade] under this section with effect from the date of such refusal.
- (5) Where under this section any <sup>2</sup>[sale, lease, gift or exchange], contract or agreement is cancelled or deemed to be cancelled or its terms are varied, the 2[vendee, lessee] or the person with whom the contract or agreement has been entered into, be assessed by 1[the Assistant Collector of the first grade] for any loss or damage caused to the vendee, lessee, <sup>2</sup>[donee] or such person which naturally arose in the usual course of things from such cancellation or variation:

Provided that no such compensation shall be given for any remote and indirect loss or damage sustained by reason of such cancellation or

(6) Notwithstanding anything contained in any law for the time variation. being in force, the amount of compensation awarded by <sup>1</sup>[the Assistant Collector of the first grade] under this section shall be payable by the Panchayat in the prescribed manner and shall be a valid charge on the sabha fund.

<sup>1.</sup> Substituted by Haryana Act 47 of 1973. 2. Substituted for the words "Leases" by Haryana Act 34 of 1974 and further

substituted by Haryana Act 8 of 2007. 3. Omitted by Haryana Act 34 of 1974.

(7) Any party to a [sale, lease], [gift or exchange] contract or agreement aggrieved by any order of <sup>2</sup>[the Assistant Collector of the first grade] made under this section may, within a period of thirty days from the date of such order appeal to <sup>2</sup>[the Collector] whose decision thereon shall be final.]

Sales of land shamilat deh not to be preemptible.

Rent of shamilat lands to be recoverable as arrears of land revenue.

Barof Jurisdiction.

11. Notwithsatanding anything contained in the Punjab Pre-emption Act, 1913, no sale of land in shamilat deh made by a panchayat shall be pre-emptible and no decree of pre-emption in respect of any such sale shall be executed after the commencement of this Act.

12. Any arrears of rent payable to a panchayat in respect of any land in shamilat deh vested or deemed to have been vested in it under this Act or the shamilat law 3[or any amount assessed under sub-section (2) of section 7] shall be recoverable as arrears of land revenue.

# <sup>4</sup>[13. No civil court shall have jurisdication.—

- (a) to entertain or adjudicate upon any question whether—
  - (i) any land or other immovable property is or not shamilat deh;
  - (ii) any land or other immovable property or any right, title or interest in such land or other immovable property vests or does not vest in a panchayat under this Act;
- (b) in respect of any matter which any revenue court, officer or authority is empowered by or under this Act to determine; or
- (c) to question the legality of any action taken or matter decided by any revenue court, officer or authority empowered to do so under this Act.]

Adjudication.

<sup>5</sup>[13A. (1) Any person or in the case of a panchayat, either the panchayat or its Gram Sachiv, the concerned Block Development and

- 1. Substituted for the words "Leases" by Haryana Act 34 of 1974 and further inserted by Haryana Act 8 of 2007.
- 2. Substituted by Haryana Act 47 of 1973.
- 3. Inserted by Haryana Act 23 of 1973.
- 4. Substituted by Haryana Act 34 of 1974 and further substituted by Haryana Act 2 of 1981 and shall be deemed to have been substituted w.e.f. the 4th day
- 5. Inserted by Haryana Act 34 of 1974 and further omitted by Haryana Act 2 of 1981 and shall be deemed to have been omitted w.e.f. the 12th day of November, 1974 and the new sections inserted by Haryana Act 2 of 1981 and shall be deemed to have been inserted w.e.f. the 4th day of May, 1961 and further omitted by Haryana Act 9, 1992 and further inserted by Haryana Act 9 of 1999.

Panchayat Officer, Social Education and Panchayat Officer or any other officer duly authorised by the State Government in this behalf, claiming right, title or interest in any land or other immovable property vested or deemed to have been vested in the panchayat under this Act, may file a suit for adjudication, whether such land or other immovable property is shamilat deh or not and whether any land or other immovable property or any right, title or interest therein vests or does not vest in a panchayat under this Act, in the court of the Collector, having jurisdiction in the area wherein such land or other immovable property is situated:

Provided that no suit shall lie under this section in respect of the land or other immovable property, which is or has been the subject matter of the proceedings under section 7 of this Act under which the question of title has been raised and decided or under adjudication.

- (2) The procedure for deciding the suits under sub-section (1)shall be the same as laid down in the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 (Act 5 of 1908).
- 13AA. (1) Any person, aggrieved by an order passed under sub- Appeal and section (1) of section 13A, may within a period of thirty days from the Revision. date of such order, prefer an appeal to the Commissioner in such form and manner, as may be prescribed, and the Commissioner may after hearing the appeal, confirm, vary or reverse the order as he deems fit.
- (2) The Financial Commissioner may, suo motu or on an application made to him by any person aggrieved by an order passed under sub-section (1), call for the record of any proceedings pending before, or order passed by the Commissioner for the purpose of satisfying himself as to the legality or propriety of the proceedings or order and pass such order in relation thereto as he may deem fit:

Provided that no order adversely affecting any person shall be passed unless he has been afforded an opportunity of being heard.]

<sup>1</sup>[13B. (1) Any person aggrieved by an order of the Assistant Appeal and Collector of the first grade may, within a period of thirty days from the date of order passed under sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) of section 7 prefer an appeal to the Collector in such form and manner, as may be prescribed, and the Collector may after hearing the appeal, confirm, vary or reverse the order as he deems fit:

Revision.

<sup>1.</sup> Substituted by Haryana Act 98 of 1992.

Provided that no such appeal shall lie unless the amount of penalty. if any, imposed under sub-section (2) of section 7, is deposited with the Collector.1

(2) The Commissioner may, suo motu <sup>1</sup>[or on an application made to him by any person aggrieved by an order passed under the proviso to sub-section (1) of section 7 at any time] call for the record of any proceedings pending before, or order passed by, any authority subordinate to him for the purpose of satisfying himself as to the legality or propriety of the proceedings or order and pass such order in relation thereto as he may deem fit:

Provided that no order adversely affecting any person shall be passed unless he has been afforded an opportunity of being heard.

Finality of orders.

13C. Save as otherwise expressly provided in this Act, every order made by the Assistant Collector of the first grade, the Collector or the Commissioner shall be final and shall not be called in question in any manner in any court.

Provisions of this Act to be overriding.

13D. The provisions of this Act shall have effect notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any law, agreement, instrument, custom, usage, decree or order of any court or other authority.]

Public Servant.

<sup>2</sup>[13-E. Every officer or employee acting under the provisions of this Act or the rules made thereunder shall be deemed to be a public servant within the meaning of section 21 of the Indian Penal Code.]

Indemnity.

14. No suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings shall lie against the State Government or any person or authority for anything done or intended to be done in good faith in persuance of the provisions of this

Saving.

- <sup>3</sup>[14A. Nothing contained in this Act or the shamilat law shall—
  - (a) affect or shall be deemed ever to have affected any right of the State Government in the land vested or deemed to be vested in a panchayat under this Act; or

<sup>1.</sup> Substituted by Haryana Act 9 of 1992.

<sup>2.</sup> Inserted by ibid.

<sup>3.</sup> Inserted by Punjab Act 19 of 1964, section 5.

- (b) entitle or shall be deemed ever to have entitled a panchayat or any other authority under this Act or the shamilat law to exercise any right or to do any act in respect of any land in the hilly area vested or deemed to be vested in the panchayat whether such land has or has not been declared as a protected forest under section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, in contravention of the provisions of that Act or the rules made thereunder.]
- 15. (1) The State Government may, by notification in the Official Power to make rules, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

  Power to make rules.
- (2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for—
  - (a) the principles on which and the extent to and the manner in which the inhabitants of the village shall make use of the lands vested or deemed to have been vested in a panchayat;
  - (b) <sup>1</sup>[the maximum and minimum area to be sold, gifted, exchange or leased to any single person;]
  - (c) the prescribing of forms for such books, entries, statistics and accounts as may be considered necessary to be kept, made or complied in any office or submitted to any authority;
  - (d) determining the principles on which and the manner in which compensation may be paid under sub-section (2) of section 3;
  - (e) the terms and condition on which the use and occupation of any such land is permitted;
  - (f) the manner and circumstances in which any such land may be disposed of transferred or sold;
  - <sup>1</sup>[(ff) the terms and condition on which the land in shamilat deh may be gifted, sold, exchanged or leased, and

<sup>1.</sup> Inserted by Haryana Act 25 of 1976. Further substituted by Haryana Act 8 of 2007.

- (g) the purposes for which any such land may be givens free of charge;
- (h) the regulation of procedure where a panchayat [sues or is sued] in its representative capacity;
- (i) the manner and the order of priority in which the excess area shall be utilised by '[the Assistant Collector of the first grade] under sub-section (1) of section 5:
- (j) the officer by whom and the manner in which the area of shamilat deh referred to in sub-section (5) shall be demarcated; and
- <sup>2</sup>[(k) the form and manner of filling an appeal under section 13AA and 13B;
  - (1) any other matter which can be or may be prescribed.

Repeal and saving.

16. The Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1953, and the Pepsu Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1954, are hereby repealed:

Provided that anything done or any action taken under any law so repealed shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provision of this Act, and shall continue to be in force accordingly, unless and until superseded by anything done or any action taken under this Act.

## <sup>1</sup>[Important Note.

- (1) On the commencement of this Act, the appeals pending before the Collector shall be disposed of by him while the other proceedings shall standing transferred to the Assistant Collector of the first grade.
- (2) An appeal shall lie to the Commissioner from any order passed by the Collector before the commencement of this Act shall be disposed of by him.]

1. Substituted by Haryana Act 47 of 1973.

<sup>2.</sup> Substituted by Haryana Act 2 of 1981 and shall always be deemed to have been substituted. Further substituted by Haryana Act 8 of 2007.

<sup>1</sup>[17. Notwithstanding any judgement, decree or order of any civil Validation. court, all actions taken, rules made and orders or decree or passed by Revenue Court, officer or authority under the principal Act as amended by the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Haryana Amendment Act, 1980, shall be deemed to have been validly taken, made or passed, as the case may be, as if the principal Act, as amended by the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Haryana Amendment Act, 1980, had been in force at all material times when such action was taken, rules were made and judgements, orders or decrees were passed by the Revenue Court, officer or authority.]

55654—L.R.—H.G.P., Chd.

### हरियाणा सरकार

विधि तथा विधायी विभाग

### अधिसूचना

दिनांक 5 जून, 2017

संख्या लैज. 10/2017.— दि पंजाब विल्—इज कॉमन लैन्डज (रेगयूलेशॅन) हिरयाणा ॲमेन्डमेन्ट ऐक्ट, 2017, का निम्नलिखित हिन्दी अनुवाद हिरयाणा के राज्यपाल की दिनांक 18 मई, 2017 की स्वीकृति के अधीन एतद्द्वारा प्रकाशित किया जाता है और यह हिरयाणा राजभाषा अधिनियम, 1969 (1969 का 17), की धारा 4—क के खण्ड (क) के अधीन उक्त अधिनियम का हिन्दी भाषा में प्रामाणिक पाठ समझा जाएगा :—

2017 का हरियाणा अधिनियम संख्या 10

पंजाब ग्राम शामलात भूमि (विनियमन) हरियाणा संशोधन अधिनियम, 2017 पंजाब ग्राम शामलात भूमि (विनियमन) अधिनियम, 1961, हरियाणा राज्यार्थ, को आगे संशोधित करने के लिए अधिनियम

भारत गणराज्य के अड़सठवें वर्ष में हरियाणा राज्य विधानमण्डल द्वारा निम्नलिखित रूप में यह अधिनियमित हो :--

- 1. यह अधिनियम पंजाब ग्राम शामलात भूमि (विनियमन) हरियाणा संशोधन अधिनियम, 2017, कहा संक्षि जा सकता है।
  - संक्षिप्त नाम।
- 2. पंजाब ग्राम शामलात भूमि (विनियमन) अधिनियम, 1961 की धारा 5क की उपधारा (2) के बाद, निम्नलिखित उपधारा जोड़ी जाएगी, अर्थात् :—

1961 के पंजाब अधिनियम 18 की धारा 5क का संशोधन।

"(3) 4 अप्रैल, 2007 से पूर्व पंचायत द्वारा संकल्प पारित करते हुए तथा राज्य सरकार के पूर्व अनुमोदन के बिना राज्य सरकार के किसी विभाग, बोर्ड या किसी अभिकरण को उपहार में दी गई शामलात देह में भूमि, पंचायत द्वारा उक्त संकल्प का अनुमोदन प्राप्त करने के लिए राज्य सरकार को अग्रेषित करते हुए, विनियमित की जाएगी। राज्य सरकार ऐसे संकल्प का अनुमोदन प्रदान कर सकती है।"।

कुलदीप जैन, सचिव, हरियाणा सरकार, विधि तथा विधायी विभाग।

### HARYANA GOVERNMENT

### LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

#### **Notification**

The 7th December, 2020

**No. Leg. 40/2020.**— The following Act of the Legislature of the State of Haryana received the assent of the Governor of Haryana on the 26th November, 2020 and is hereby published for general information:—

### HARYANA ACT NO. 30 OF 2020

# THE PUNJAB VILLAGE COMMON LANDS (REGULATION) HARYANA AMENDMENT ACT, 2020

AN

ACT

further to amend the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961, in its application to the State of Haryana.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Haryana in the Seventy-first Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

**1.** This Act may be called the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Haryana Amendment Act, 2020.

Short title.

2. In section 2 of the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961 (hereinafter called the principal Act),—

Amendment of section 2 of Punjab Act 18 of 1961.

- (i) in clause (bb), the words and sign "Manimajra Block," shall be omitted;
- (ii) in clause (g),-
  - (a) in sub-clause (4), for the words, signs and figures "clause (mmm) of section 3 of the Punjab Gram Panchayat Act, 1952", the words, signs and figures "clause (liv) of section 2 of the Haryana Panchayati Raj Act, 1994" shall be substituted; and
  - (b) item (i) shall be omitted.
- 3. In sub-section (2) of section 7 of the principal Act, for the words "at a rate not less than five thousand rupees and not more than ten thousand rupees per hectare per annum", the words "at the rate of one percent of the Collector rate of the land per acre per annum with the ceiling of total penalty amount equal to ten percent of the current Collector rate of the encroached land" shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 7 of Punjab Act 18 of 1961.

BIMLESH TANWAR, Administrative Secretary to Government, Haryana, Law and Legislative Department.

### PART - I

### HARYANA GOVERNMENT

### LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

### **Notification**

The 5th April, 2021

**No. Leg. 15/2021.**— The following Act of the Legislature of the State of Haryana received the assent of the Governor of Haryana on the 31st March, 2021 and is hereby published for general information:-

### HARYANA ACT NO. 15 OF 2021

### THE HARYANA SHORT TITLES AMENDMENT ACT, 2021

AN

ACT

to amend the short titles of Punjab Acts and East Punjab Acts as applicable to the State of Haryana.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Haryana in the Seventy-second Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

1. This Act may be called the Haryana Short Titles Amendment Act, 2021.

Short title.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,-

Definitions.

- (a) "Punjab Act" and "East Punjab Act" mean the Act enacted by a competent legislature or other competent authority before the 1st November, 1966 for the State of Punjab or the East Punjab, as the case may be and as are applicable to the State of Haryana on the commencement of this Act;
- (b) "Schedule" means the Schedule appended to this Act.
- 3. In the short title of each of the Punjab Acts and East Punjab Acts specified in column 2 of the Schedule, for the word "Punjab" and "East Punjab", the word "Haryana" shall be, and shall be deemed to have been substituted with effect from the 1st November, 1966.

Amendment of short titles of Punjab and East Punjab Acts.

**4.** Notwithstanding the amendment of short titles of Punjab Acts and East Punjab Acts specified in column 2 of the Schedule by section 3, the citation of the Acts by reference to the number and year respectively specified in column 3 of the Schedule against those Acts shall stand unmodified.

Citation of Punjab Acts and East Punjab Acts stands unmodified.

5. Unless the context otherwise requires, any reference to the short title of the Punjab Acts and East Punjab Acts specified in the Schedule, in any rules, regulations, bye-laws, schemes, notifications or orders or in any other instrument made or issued under the said Punjab Act and East Punjab Act, shall be construed as a reference to the short title of the said Punjab Act as amended by this Act.

Construction of subordinate legislation made under Punjab Acts and East Punjab Acts.

### **SCHEDULE**

Sr. No.	Name of the Act	Act number and Year
1	2	3
1.	The Punjab Laws Act, 1872	Punjab Act 4 of 1872
2.	The Punjab District Boards Act, 1883	Punjab Act 20 of 1883
3.	The Punjab Tenancy Act, 1887	Punjab Act 16 of 1887
4.	The Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1887	Punjab Act 17 of 1887
5.	The Punjab Courts (Supplementing) Act, 1918	Punjab Act 9 of 1919
6.	The Punjab General Clauses Act, 1898	Punjab Act I of 1898
7.	The Punjab Riverain Boundaries Act, 1899	Punjab Act 1 of 1899
8.	The Punjab Land Preservation Act, 1900	Punjab Act 2 of 1900
9.	The Punjab Minor Canals Act, 1905	Punjab Act 3 of 1905
10.	The Colonization of Government Lands (Punjab) Act, 1912	Punjab Act 5 of 1912
11.	The Punjab Pre-emption Act, 1913	Punjab Act 1 of 1913
12.	The Redemption of Mortgages (Punjab) Act, 1913	Punjab Act 2 of 1913
13.	The Punjab Forest (Sale of Timber) Act, 1913	Punjab Act 3 of 1913
14.	The Punjab Excise Act, 1914	Punjab Act 1 of 1914
15.	The Punjab Fisheries Act, 1914	Punjab Act 2 of 1914
16.	The Punjab Military Transport Act, 1916	Punjab Act 1 of 1916
17.	The Punjab Medical Registration Act, 1916	Punjab Act 2 of 1916
18.	The Punjab Courts Act, 1918	Punjab Act 6 of 1918
19.	The Punjab Juvenile Smoking Act, 1918	Punjab Act 7 of 1918
20.	The Punjab Village and Small Towns Patrol Act, 1918	Punjab Act 8 of 1918
21.	The Punjab Limitation (Custom) Act, 1920	Punjab Act 1 of 1920
22.	The Punjab Custom (Power to Contest) Act, 1920	Punjab Act 2 of 1920
23.	The Punjab Local Option Act, 1923	Punjab Act 5 of 1923
24.	The Punjab Aerial Ropeways Act, 1926	Punjab Act V of 1926
25.	The Punjab Borstal Act, 1926	Punjab Act XI of 1926
26.	The Punjab District Boards (Tax Validating) Act, 1927	Punjab Act III of 1927
27.	The Punjab Regulation of Accounts Act, 1930	Punjab Act I of 1930
28.	The Punjab Registration Validating Act, 1930	Punjab Act II of 1930
29.	The Punjab Nurses Registration Act, 1932	Punjab Act I of 1932
30.	The Punjab Small Towns (Tax Validating) Act, 1934	Punjab Act III of 1934
31.	The Punjab Municipal (Tax Validating) Act, 1934	Punjab Act IV of 1934
32.	The Punjab Relief of Indebtedness Act, 1934	Punjab Act VII of 1934
33.	The Punjab State Aid to Industries Act, 1935	Punjab Act V of 1935
34.	The Punjab Debtors' Protection Act, 1936	Punjab Act 2 of 1936
35.	The Punjab Copying Fees Act, 1936	Punjab Act 5 of 1936
36.	The Punjab Registration of Money Lenders Act, 1938	Punjab Act 3 of 1938
37.	The Punjab Restitution of Mortgaged Lands Act, 1938	Punjab Act 4 of 1938

Sr. No.	Name of the Act	Act number and Year
1	2	3
38.	The Punjab Debtors' Protection (Amendment) Act, 1938	Punjab Act IX of 1938
39.	The Punjab Legislative Assembly (Offices) Act, 1939	Punjab Act 7 of 1939
40.	The Punjab Jagirs Act, 1941	Punjab Act V of 1941
41.	The Punjab Suppression of Indecent Advertisements Act, 1941	Punjab Act 7 of 1941
42.	The Punjab Urban Immovable Property Tax (Validation of Lists) Act, 1943	Punjab Act V of 1943
43.	The East Punjab Local Authorities (Restriction of Functions) Act, 1947	East Punjab Act 9 of 1947
44.	The East Punjab Armed Band (Arrest and Detention) Act, 1947	East Punjab Act 11 of 1947
45.	The East Punjab Extension of Limitation Act, 1947	East Punjab Act XVI of 1947
46.	The East Punjab Refugees Rehabilitation (Loans and Grant) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 2 of 1948
47.	The East Punjab Refugees (Registration of Claims) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 8 of 1948
48.	The East Punjab Molasses (Control) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act XI of 1948
49.	The East Punjab Refugees (Registration of Land Claims) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act XII of 1948
50.	The East Punjab (Exchange of Prisoners) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 13 of 1948
51.	The East Punjab (Removal of Religious and Social Disabilities) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 16 of 1948
52.	The East Punjab Factories (Control of Dismantling) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 20 of 1948
53.	The East Punjab War Awards Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 22 of 1948
54.	The East Punjab Cotton (Statistics) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 23 of 1948
55.	The East Punjab Enumeration of Dwellings Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 24 of 1948
56.	The East Punjab Special Tribunal (Continuance) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 29 of 1948
57.	The East Punjab Refugees Rehabilitation (Buildings and Building Sites) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 42 of 1948
58.	The East Punjab Refugees Rehabilitation (House Building Loans) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 43 of 1948
59.	The Punjab Livestock and Birds Diseases Act, 1948	Punjab Act 47 of 1948
60.	The East Punjab Holdings (Consolidation and Prevention of Fragmentation) Act, 1948	East Punjab Act 50 of 1948
61.	The East Punjab Control of Bricks Supplies Act, 1949	East Punjab Act I of 1949
62.	The East Punjab Conservation of Fire Wood Supplies Act, 1949	East Punjab Act II of 1949
63.	The East Punjab Agricultural Pests Diseases and Noxious Weeds Act, 1949	East Punjab Act 4 of 1949
64.	The East Punjab Damaged Areas Act, 1949	East Punjab Act 10 of 1949
65.	The East Punjab Conservation of Manures Act, 1949	East Punjab Act 15 of 1949
66.	The East Punjab Improved Seeds and Seedlings Act, 1949	East Punjab Act 19 of 1949
67.	The East Punjab Drugs (Control) Act, 1949	East Punjab Act 30 of 1949
68.	The East Punjab Displaced Persons (Land Resettlement) Act, 1949	East Punjab Act 36 of 1949
69.	The East Punjab Utilization of Lands Act, 1949	East Punjab Act 38 of 1949
70.	The Punjab Merged States (Laws) Act, 1950	Punjab Act 5 of 1950

Sr. No.	Name of the Act	Act number and Year
1	2	3
71.	The Punjab Abolition of Villages Cess (Kuri Kamini) Act, 1950	Punjab Act 6 of 1950
72.	The Punjab Special Tribunal (Change of Composition) Act, 1950	Punjab Act 10 of 1950
73.	The Punjab Local Authorities Census Expenses Contribution Act, 1950	Punjab Act 19 of 1950
74.	The Punjab Forward Contracts Tax Act, 1951	Punjab Act 7 of 1951
75.	The Punjab Development of Damaged Areas Act, 1951	Punjab Act 10 of 1951
76.	The Punjab Cinema (Regulation) Act, 1952	Punjab Act 11 of 1952
77.	The Punjab New Capital (Periphery) Control Act, 1952	Punjab Act 1 of 1953
78.	The Punjab Occupancy Tenants (Vesting of Proprietary Rights) Act, 1952	Punjab Act 8 of 1953
79.	The Punjab Abolition of Ala Malikiyat and Talukdari Rights Act, 1952	Punjab Act IX of 1953
80.	The Punjab Security of Land Tenures Act, 1953	Punjab Act 10 of 1953
81.	The Punjab Security of the State Act, 1953	Punjab Act 12 of 1953
82.	The Punjab Silkworm Seed Control Act, 1953	Punjab Act 17 of 1953
83.	The Punjab Sikh Gurudwaras Board (Transitional Provisions) Act, 1953	Punjab Act 25 of 1953
84.	The Punjab Local Authorities Laws (Exercise of Powers) Act, 1953	Punjab Act 34 of 1953
85.	The Punjab Sugarcane (Regulation of Purchase and Supply) Act, 1953	Punjab Act 40 of 1953
86.	The Punjab Livestock Improvement Act, 1953	Punjab Act 47 of 1953
87.	The Punjab Vaccination Act, 1953	Punjab Act 49 of 1953
88.	The Punjab Entertainments Tax (Cinematograph Shows) Act, 1954	Punjab Act 8 of 1954
89.	The Punjab State Tubewell Act, 1954	Punjab Act 21 of 1954
90.	The Punjab Departmental Enquiries (Powers) Act, 1955	Punjab Act 8 of 1955
91.	The Punjab Entertainments Duty Act, 1955	Punjab Act 16 of 1955
92.	The Punjab District Boards (Tax Validating) Act, 1955	Punjab Act 27 of 1955
93.	The Punjab Land Revenue (Special Assessments) Act, 1955	Punjab Act 6 of 1956
94.	The Punjab Industrial Housing Act, 1956	Punjab Act 16 of 1956
95.	The Punjab Municipal (Tax Validating) Act, 1956	Punjab Act 34 of 1956
96.	The Punjab Instruments (Control of Noises) Act, 1956	Punjab Act 36 of 1956
97.	The Punjab Special Powers (Press) Act, 1956	Punjab Act 38 of 1956
98.	The Punjab Khadi and Village Industries Board Act, 1955	Punjab Act 40 of 1956
99.	The Punjab Bhudan Yagna Act, 1955	Punjab Act 45 of 1956
100.	The Punjab Laws (Extension No. 1) Act, 1957	Punjab Act 5 of 1957
101.	The Punjab Consolidation of Land Proceedings (Validation) Act, 1957	Punjab Act 6 of 1957
102.	The Punjab Laws (Extension No. 2) Act, 1957	Punjab Act 7 of 1957
103.	The Industrial Disputes (Amendment and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Punjab Amendment) Act, 1957	Punjab Act 9 of 1957
104.	The Punjab Backward Classes (Grant of Loans) Act, 1957	Punjab Act 17 of 1957
105.	The Punjab Court of Wards (Validation of Exercise of Powers) Act, 1957	Punjab Act 18 of 1957
106.	The Punjab Laws (Extension No.3) Act, 1957	Punjab Act 23 of 1957
107.	The Punjab Laws (Application) Act, 1957	Punjab Act 33 of 1957
108.	The Punjab Court Laws (Extension) Act, 1957	Punjab Act 38 of 1957

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109.	The Punjab Resumption of Jagirs Act, 1957	Punjab Act 39 of 1957
110.	The Punjab State Legislature (Vacation of Seats) Act, 1957	Punjab Act 41 of 1957
111.	The Punjab Warehouses Act, 1957	Punjab Act 2 of 1958
112.	The Punjab Textiles and Sugar (Existing Stocks) Purchase Tax and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1958	Punjab Act 8 of 1958
113.	The Punjab Electricity (Duty) Act, 1958	Punjab Act 10 of 1958
114.	The Punjab Distressed Persons (Facilities for Loans) Act, 1958	Punjab Act 11 of 1958
115.	The Punjab Shops and Commercial Establishments Act, 1958	Punjab Act 15 of 1958
116.	The Punjab Laws (Extension No. 4) Act, 1958	Punjab Act 18 of 1958
117.	The Punjab Weights and Measures (Enforcement) Act, 1958	Punjab Act 22 of 1958
118.	The Punjab Laws (Extension No. 5) Act, 1958	Punjab Act 30 of 1958
119.	The Punjab Laws (Extension No. 6) Act, 1959	Punjab Act 5 of 1959
120.	The Punjab Reclamation of Land Act, 1959	Punjab Act 21 of 1959
121.	The Punjab Local Authorities (Aided Schools) Act, 1959	Punjab Act 22 of 1959
122.	The Punjab Cooperative Sugar Mills (Further Extension of Tenure of Boards) Act, 1959	Punjab Act 27 of 1959
123.	The Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Act, 1960	Punjab Act 2 of 1960
124.	The Punjab Registration Validating Act, 1960	Punjab Act 8 of 1960
125.	The Punjab Repealing Act, 1960	Punjab Act 16 of 1960
126.	The Punjab Laws (Extension No. 7) Act, 1960	Punjab Act 23 of 1960
127.	The Punjab Non-Trading Companies Act, 1960	Punjab Act 25 of 1960
128.	The Punjab Land Revenue (Additional Surcharge) Act, 1960	Punjab Act 38 of 1960
129.	The Punjab Primary Education Act, 1960	Punjab Act 39 of 1960
130.	The Punjab Laws (Extension No. 8) Act, 1960	Punjab Act 41 of 1960
131.	The Punjab Laws (Extension No. 9) Act, 1960	Punjab Act 43 of 1960
132.	The Punjab Money Lending and Debtors Protection Laws (Extension and Amendment) Act, 1960	Punjab Act 44 of 1960
133.	The Punjab Compulsory Service Act, 1961	Punjab Act 5 of 1961
134.	The Punjab Laws (Extension No. 10) Act, 1961	Punjab Act 8 of 1961
135.	The Punjab Fruit Nurseries Act, 1961	Punjab Act 13 of 1961
136.	The Punjab Abolition of Village Cess (Malba) Act, 1961	Punjab Act 17 of 1961
137.	The Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961	Punjab Act 18 of 1961
138.	The Punjab Slum Areas (Improvement and Clearance) Act, 1961	Punjab Act 24 of 1961
139.	The Punjab Repealing Act, 1961	Punjab Act 31 of 1961
140.	The Punjab Land Revenue Special Assessment (Exemption) Act, 1962	Punjab Act 7 of 1962
141.	The Punjab Laws (Extension No.11) Act, 1962	Punjab Act 18 of 1962
142.	The Punjab Temporary Taxation Act, 1962	Punjab Act 19 of 1962
143.	The Punjab Passengers and Goods Taxation (Amendment and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1963	Punjab Act 9 of 1963

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144.	The Punjab Land Improvement Schemes Act, 1963	Punjab Act 23 of 1963
145.	The Punjab Gift Goods (Unlawful Possession) Act, 1963	Punjab Act 24 of 1963
146.	The Punjab Thur and Sem Lands (Reclamation) Act, 1963	Punjab Act 25 of 1963
147.	The Punjab Scheduled Roads and Controlled Areas Restriction of Unregulated Development Act, 1963	Punjab Act 41 of 1963
148.	The Punjab Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioners Act, 1963	Punjab Act 42 of 1963
149.	The Punjab Dramatic Performances Act, 1964	Punjab Act 10 of 1964
150.	The Punjab Ancient and Historical Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1964	Punjab Act 20 of 1964
151.	The Punjab Separation of Judicial and Executive Functions Act, 1964	Punjab Act 25 of 1964
152.	The Punjab Industrial Establishments (National and Festival Holidays and Casual and Sick leave) Act, 1965	Punjab Act 14 of 1965
153.	The Punjab Homoeopathic Practitioners Act, 1965	Punjab Act 16 of 1965
154.	The Punjab Labour Welfare Fund Act, 1965	Punjab Act 17 of 1965

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### **PART-II**

### HARYANA GOVERNMENT

#### LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

### Notification

The 16th August, 2024

**No. Leg. 18/2024.**— The following Ordinance of the Governor of Haryana promulgated under clause (1) of article 213 of the Constitution of India, on the 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2024, is hereby published for general information:-

### HARYANA ORDINANCE NO. 5 OF 2024

# THE HARYANA VILLAGE COMMON LANDS (REGULATION) AMENDMENT ORDINANCE, 2024

#### AN

### **ORDINANCE**

further to amend the Haryana Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961.

Promulgated by the Governor of Haryana in the Seventy-fifth Year of the Republic of India.

Whereas the Legislature of the State of Haryana is not in session and the Governor is satisfied that the circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of article 213 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Haryana hereby promulgates the following Ordinance:-

**1.** This Ordinance may be called the Haryana Village Common Lands (Regulation) Amendment Ordinance, 2024.

Short title.

- **2.** After sub-clause (ii-a) of clause (g) of section 2 of the Haryana Village Common Lands (Regulation) Act, 1961 (hereinafter called the principal Act), the following sub-clause shall be inserted, namely:-
- Amendment of section 2 of Punjab Act 18 of 1961.
- "(ii-b) was shamilat deh and had been leased out, prior to the commencement of the Punjab Village Common Lands (Regulation) Rules, 1964 by the Collector under the Haryana Utilization of Lands Act, 1949 (East Punjab Act 38 of 1949) for a period of twenty years and the said land has been in continuous cultivating possession of the original lessee, transferee or his legal heir as per the revenue record on the date of commencement of this amendment Ordinance;".
- 3. In sub-section (2) of section 3 of the principal Act,-
  - (i) in clause (i), for the words, signs and brackets "under sub-clause (ii-a)", the words, signs and brackets "under sub-clauses (ii-a) and (ii-b)" shall be substituted;
  - (ii) in clause (ii),-
    - (a) for the sign "." existing at the end, the sign ";" shall be substituted; and
    - (b) the following clause shall be added, namely:-
      - "(iii) where any land has vested in Panchayat under this Act, but such land has been excluded from shamilat deh under sub-clause (ii-b) of clause (g) of section 2, all rights, title and interest of the Panchayat in such land, from the date of commencement of this amendment Ordinance shall cease and all such rights, title and interest in such land shall vest in the original lessee, transferee or his legal heir who is in cultivating possession as per the entries in the revenue records as on the date of commencement of this amendment Ordinance subject to the payment of an amount to the Panchayat, as may be determined in accordance with such principles and in such manner, as may be prescribed by the Collector on an application by the said lessee, transferee or his legal heir."

Amendment of section 3 of Punjab Act 18 of 1961.

Amendment of section 5 of Punjab Act 18 of 1961. **4.** After sub-section (1) of section 5A of the principal Act, the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:-

"(1A) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), a Panchayat may, with the prior approval of the State Government, transfer its non-cultivable land in shamilat deh by sale to the inhabitant of the village who has constructed on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2004, a house or part thereof along with open space up to twenty-five percent of the constructed area, both put together not exceeding five hundred square yards and not causing any obstruction to traffic and other public utilities and also not a land reserved for pond or any other water body or revenue rasta entered as such in revenue record, at the rate not less than the market rate, to be determined in such manner, as may be prescribed."

CHANDIGARH: THE 14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2024 BANDARU DATTATRAYA, GOVERNOR OF HARYANA.

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