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A LAW TO MAKE BETTER PROVISION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF RURAL CONSTABLES AND TO REGULATE THEIR DUTIES AND POWERS.

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PART I.

PRELIMINARY.

1. This Law may be cited as the Rural Constables Law. Short title.

2. In this Law—

“animal” means any ass, bull, calf, camel, cow, dog, fowl, gelding, goat, heifer, hog, horse, kid, lamb, mare, mule, ox, pig, rabbit, sheep, sow, steer or any other domestic animal;

“Commissioner” means the Commissioner of the district in which the village or group is situated;

“group” means two or more adjacent villages which have been formed into a group by notification by the Governor under this Law;

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tation.

"Group Commission" means a commission formed of the united Village Commissions of two or more villages forming a group;

"occupier" means the occupier of any land, vineyard, tree or water in the village or group and includes the owner of any flock of sheep or goats or of sheep and goats in the village or group;

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"produce" means crops, fruit, or other realizable yield of land or of trees and the yield of flocks of sheep, goats or of sheep and goats;

"sign" or "signed" or "subscribe" with reference to a person who is unable to write his name includes making his mark;

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"Superintendent" means a person appointed by the Commissioner to be the Superintendent of rural constables and temporary rural constables in the district under the provisions of section 40 of this Law;

"village" includes a quarter thereof;

"Village Commission" means the mukhtar and azas of a village.

PART II.

APPOINTMENT OF RURAL CONSTABLES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Governor may by notification direct formation of group.

3. (1) The Governor may, on the recommendation of the Commissioner, by notification in the Gazette direct that two or more adjacent villages shall be united into a group, and thereupon the villages specified therein shall form a group for the purposes of this Law.

(2) Every such notification may direct that the mukhtar of any of the Village Commissioners forming the Group Commission shall be the mukhtar of the Group Commission for all or any of the purposes of this Law.

(3) The Governor may at any time in like manner amend, vary or revoke any such notification.

Every village or group to have a rural constable.

4. In every village or group there shall be a rural constable or rural constables appointed as in this Law provided.

Meeting of Village Commission or Group Commission for appoint-

5. (1) The Village Commission of every village and the Group Commission of every group shall, between the 1st day of November and the 31st day of December in every two years after the 31st day of December, 1947, hold a meeting

of their members at which they shall decide by resolution of the majority of the members present—

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- (a) the number of rural constables required for the village or group and the number of temporary rural constables, if any, required during any period or periods in the two years next following and the duration of such period or periods;
 - (b) whether any rural constable or temporary rural constable is required to keep a horse during the period of his office;
 - (c) subject to any order made under subsection (3) hereof, the amount of the monthly salary to be paid to every rural constable and to every temporary rural constable, if any;
 - (d) the building or place to be set apart as a pound for the keeping of animals impounded under this Law and the rent and cost, if any, required for providing such building or place as a pound.
- (2) Every resolution under subsection (1) hereof shall be reduced into writing and shall be signed and sealed by the mukhtar and a copy thereof, signed and sealed in like manner, shall be forwarded by him with all convenient speed through the Superintendent to the Commissioner.
- (3) The Governor may, from time to time by an Order made at any time before the holding of a meeting as in subsection (1) hereof provided, fix the minimum monthly salary to be paid to every rural constable or temporary rural constable.
- (4) The salary of every rural constable and temporary rural constable shall be paid to him out of the Village Rural Constables Fund by the mukhtar of the village or group, as the case may be, on the last day of each month.

6. (1) The Commissioner shall, upon receipt of the resolution in the last preceding section mentioned, appoint such number of fit and proper persons to be rural constables or temporary rural constables as may be required for the purpose.

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(2) Every rural constable shall be appointed for a period of two years and shall, if he has carried out his duties to the satisfaction of the Commissioner, be eligible for re-appointment for a further period or periods of two years.