

Interpreta-
tion.

2. In this Law—

“ animal ” means any horse, mule, donkey, camel, sheep, goat, swine, ox or any other neat cattle whatsoever but does not include the unweaned offspring of any such animal ;

“ certificate of ownership ” means a certificate issued under the provisions of section 3 of this Law ;

“ quarter ” means quarter of a town or of a village.

Certificate of
ownership.

3.—(1) The mukhtar of every village or quarter shall, upon the demand of any person residing within the village or quarter and upon payment of the prescribed fee, issue to such person a certificate of ownership of any animal which such mukhtar knows to belong, or is shown to his satisfaction that it belongs, to such person.

(2) A certificate of ownership shall be in the form and shall contain the particulars set out in the First Schedule to this Law.

First
Schedule.

(3) Upon proof to the satisfaction of the mukhtar of the village or quarter who had issued a certificate of ownership that such certificate has been lost or destroyed, such mukhtar may, on payment of the prescribed fee, issue another such certificate to the person entitled thereto marking the same as a true copy of the original, and such copy shall be valid and effective for all the purposes of this Law.

Possession,
etc. of
animal
without
certificate
of ownership
prohibited.

4. Notwithstanding anything in any other law contained, no person shall—

(a) have in his possession any animal without having a certificate of ownership in respect thereof ;

(b) buy any animal, unless—

(i) the seller produces to him the certificate of ownership in respect of such animal ; or

(ii) the seller, if he is not himself the owner of the animal, produces to such person the certificate of ownership in respect of such animal and satisfies him that he has authority to sell the animal.

Seller's
certificate
of ownership
to be
delivered
before issue
of new
certificate.

5.—(1) Upon the sale of an animal, the seller shall deliver to the mukhtar of the village or quarter within whose area the sale takes place the certificate of ownership in respect of such animal and thereupon such mukhtar shall issue a certificate of ownership for such animal in the name of the buyer recording also thereon in the “ Remarks ” column in such certificate the seller's name and address, the number of his certificate and the place at which it was issued.