

# The Majority Act, 1875

( ACT NO. IX OF 1875 )

## **1♣An Act to amend the law respecting the age of majority**

### Preamble

WHEREAS, in the case of persons domiciled in Bangladesh, it is expedient to prolong the period of nonage, and to attain more uniformity and certainty respecting the age of majority than now exists; It is enacted as follows:-

### **Short title, Local extent, Commence- ment and operation**

1. This Act may be called the Majority Act, 1875. It extends to the whole of Bangladesh;

and it shall come into force and have effect only on the expiration of three months from the passing thereof.

### **Savings**

2. Nothing herein contained shall affect-

(a) the capacity of any person to act in the following matters (namely),- marriage, dower, divorce and adoption;

(b) the religion or religious rites and usages of any class of citizens of Bangladesh; or

(c) the capacity of any person who before this Act comes into force has attained majority under the Law applicable to him.

### **Age of majority of persons domiciled in Bangladesh**

3. Subject as aforesaid, every minor of whose person or property or both a guardian, other than a guardian for a suit within the meaning of <sup>2</sup>[Schedule I, Order XXXII of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908,] has been or shall be appointed or declared by any Court of Justice before the minor has attained

the age of eighteen years, and every minor of whose property the superintendence has been or shall be assumed by any Court of Wards