The Tolls (Army and Air-Force)Act, 1901

(ACT NO. II OF 1901)

¹An Act to amend the law relating to the exemption from tolls of persons and property belonging to the

Army or Air Force.

WHEREAS it is necessary to provide for the exemption from the payment of certain duties or tolls of certain officers, soldiers, airmen and other persons, and certain animals, baggage and carriages belonging or attached to the Bangladesh Army, or the Bangladesh Air Force;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

Short title,1.(1) This Act may be called the Tolls (Army and Air Force) Act, 1901.extent andcommencement(2) It extends to the whole of Bangladesh.

(3) It shall come into force on the first day of April, 1901.

Definitions
2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context, (a) the expression "authorized followers" means persons other than officers, soldiers or airmen, who are employed by, or are in the service of, the Forces, ²[or Corps] concerned, or are in the service of any officer, soldier or airman of such Forces, ³[or Corps];

(b) "carriage" means a vehicle for carriage or haulage other than one specially constructed for use on rails;

(c) "ferry" includes every bridge and other thing which is a ferry within the meaning of any enactment authorizing the levy of tolls on ferries, but does not include any ferry or other thing which is included in the definition of "railway" in section 3 of the Railways Act, 1890;

(d) the expressions "the Bangladesh Army" and "The Bangladesh Air Force" include the Reserves, respectively, of the Bangladesh Army and the Bangladesh Air Force, when subject to military or air force law, as the case may be;

(e) "horse" includes a mule and any beast of whatever description which is used for burden or draught or for carrying persons;

(f) the expression "Irregular Corps" means any force ⁴[* * *] raised and maintained in Bangladesh under the authority of the Government or any other force which may be specified in this behalf by a notification published in the official Gazette;

(g) the expression "Bangladesh Reserve Forces" means the forces constituted under the ⁵[Army and Air Force (Reserves) Act, 1950];

(h) "landing-place" includes a pier, wharf, quay, jetty and a stage, whether fixed or floating;

⁶[(i) "public authority" means the Government, or a local authority;]

(j) "tolls" includes duties, dues, rates, rents, fees and charges, but does not include customs duties levied under the Tariff Act, 1934, octroi duties or town duties on the import of goods, or fares paid for the conveyance of passengers on a tramway.

Exemptions 3. The following persons and property, namely:from tolls

(a) all officers, soldiers and airmen of-

(i) the Bangladesh Army and the Bangladesh Air Force,

(ii) any Irregular Corps, or

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(c) all officers, soldiers and airmen of the Bangladesh Reserve Forces when proceeding from their place of residence on being called out for service, training, or muster or when proceeding back to their place of residence after such service, training or muster;

(d) all authorized followers of-

(i) the Bangladesh Army or the Bangladesh Air Force;

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(e) all members of the families of officers, soldiers, airmen or authorized followers of-

(i) the Bangladesh Army or the Bangladesh Air Force, or

(ii) any Irregular Corps,

when accompanying anybody of troops, or any office, soldier, airman or authorized follower thereof on duty or on the march,

(f) all prisoners under military or air force escort,

(g) the carriages, horses, and baggage, and the persons (if any) employed in driving the carriages or in carrying the baggage, of any persons exempted under any of the foregoing clauses, when such carriages, horses, baggage, or persons accompany the persons so exempted under the circumstances mentioned in those clauses respectively,

(h) all carriages and horses belonging to the Government or employed in military or air-force service and all persons in charge of or accompanying the same, when conveying any such persons as hereinbefore in this section mentioned, or when conveying baggage or stores, or when returning unladen from conveying such persons, baggage or stores,

(i) all carriages and horses, when moving under the orders of military or air-force authority for the purpose of being employed in military or air-force service,

(j) all animals accompanying any body of troops which are intended to be slaughtered for food or kept for any purpose connected with the provisioning of such troops, and

(k) all persons in charge of any carriage, horse or animal exempted under any of the foregoing clauses when accompanying the same under the circumstances mentioned in those clauses respectively,

Shall be exempted from payment of any tolls-

(i) on embarking or disembarking, or on being shipped or landed, from or upon any landing place, or