

The Note-Books (Prohibition) Act, 1980

(ACT NO. XII OF 1980)

An Act to prohibit printing, publication, import, distribution and sale of note-books on text-books for primary schools and secondary schools up to Class VIII.

WHEREAS it is expedient to prohibit printing, publication, import, distribution and sale of note-books on text-books for primary schools and secondary schools up to Class VIII;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

Short title

1. This Act may be called the Note-Books (Prohibition) Act, 1980.

Definitions

2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,-

(a) “Board” means the Bangladesh School Text-Book Board established under the School Text-Book Act, 1954 (E.P. Act XIV of 1954);

(b) “note-book” means any printed book that contains notes, annotations, explanations, comments, references, answers or solutions to any questions on any subject or matter in, or translations or paraphrases of any part of, any text-book but does not include any such book published by, or under the authority of, the Board; and

(c) “text-book” means any text-book for primary schools or secondary schools up to Class VIII published by, or under the authority of, the Board.

Prohibition of printing, etc., of the note-books

4. Penalty

3. (1) No person shall print, publish, import, sell, distribute or in any manner put into circulation or keep for printing, publication, sale, distribution or circulation of any note-book.

(2) Nothing in sub-section (1) shall apply to any notes, comments or explanations dictated or given in writing by a teacher in a class for the use of the students of that class: