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## <sup>1</sup>ACT NO. IV OF 1899

[3rd February, 1899]

An Act to provide for the exemption from the operation of municipal building laws of certain buildings and lands which are the property, or in the occupation, of the Government and situate within the limits of a municipality.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the exemption from the operation of municipal building laws of certain buildings and lands which are the property, or in the occupation, of the Government and situate within the limits of a municipality;

It is hereby enacted as follow:—

- 1. Short title and extent.—(1) This Act may be called the Government Buildings Act, 1899.
- <sup>2</sup>[(2) It extends to the whole of Pakistan]; <sup>3</sup>\*
- 3\* \* \* \* \* \* \*
- **2. "Municipal authority" defined.** In this Act the expression "municipal authority" includes a municipal corporation or a body of municipal commissioners constituted by, or under the provisions of, any law or enactment for the time being in force.
- **3. Exemption of certain Government buildings from municipal laws to regulate the erection, etc. of buildings within municipalities.** Nothing contained in any law or enactment for the time being in force to regulate the erection, re-erection, construction, alteration or maintenance of buildings within the limits of any municipality shall apply to any building used or required for the public service or for any public purpose, which is the property, or in the occupation, of <sup>4</sup>[the <sup>5</sup>[Government]], or which is to be erected on land which is the property, or in the occupation, of <sup>4</sup>[the <sup>5</sup>[Government]]:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Gaz. of India. 1896, Pt. Vp..256; for Report of the Select Committee, see ibid., 1899, Pt. V, p.15; and for Proceedings in Council, see ibid., 1899, Pt. VI, pp. 2, 15 and 20.

This Act has been declared to be in force in Baluchistan by the British Baluchistan Laws Regulation, 1913 (2 of 1913).

It has also been extended to the Leased Areas of Baluchistan, see the Leased Areas (Laws) Order, 1950 (G.G.O. 3 of 1950); and applied in the Federated Areas of Baluchistan, see Gazette of India, 1937, Pt. 1, p. 1499.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by the Central Laws (Statute Reform) Ordinance, 1960 (21 of 1960), s. 3 and 2nd Sch. (with effect from the 14th October, 1955), for the original sub-section (2), as amended by A.O. 1949. Arts. 3(2) and 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The word "and" and sub-section (3) rep. by the Repealing and Amending Act, 1914 (10 of 1914), s. 3 and Sch. II.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Subs. by A.O., 1937, for "the Govt.".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Subs. by A.O., 1961, Art. 2, for "Crown" (with effect from the 23rd March, 1956)