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1860	45	Indian Penal Code, 1860	S. 153A substituted	4I, s. 2.
			Ss. 295A and 505 amended.	<i>Ibid.</i> , ss. 3 and 4.
1879	18	Legal Practitioners Act, 1879.	Repealed (except ss. 1, 3 and 36) (by stages) (when notified).	25, s. 50.
1885	13	Indian Telegraph Act, 1885.	Ss. 3 and 7 amended.	15, ss. 2 and 3.
1890	9	Indian Railways Act, 1890.	Ss. 3, 27, 47, 55, 61, 63 to 66, 71B, 82, 82J, 106, 113, 130, 137, 140 and 141 amended (w.e.f. 1-1-1962).	7 to 12, 15 to 18, 20, 21, 23
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1899	. 2	Indian Stamp Act, 1899	Schedule I amended.	14, s. 16.

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1922	8	Delhi University Act, 1922.	Ss. 4, 5 and 33 amended (w.e.f. 1-2-1962).	61, ss. 2 to 4.
1922	II	Income-tax Act, 1922	Ss. 4 (w.e.f. 1-4-1961), 7 (retrospectively), 9, 10 and 15C (w.e.f. 1-4-1961), 23A (part- ly w.e.f. 1-4-1961 and partly w.e.f. 1-4-1960), 35 and 56A (w.e.f. 1-4-1961) amended.	14, ss. 3 to 10.
			Repealed (w.e.f. 1-4-1962).	43, s. 297.
1923	8	Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923.	Supplemented.	52, s. 16 and Schedule.
1923	23	Legal Practitioners (Women) Act, 1923.	Repealed (when the whole of Act 25 of 1961 comes into force).	25, s. 50 and Schedule.
1926	21	Legal Practitioners (Fees) Act, 1926.	Repealed (when the whole of Act 25 of 1961 comes into force).	25, s. 50 and Schedule.
1926	38	Indian Bar Councils Act, 1926.	Repealed (by stages) (when notified).	25, s. 50.
1933	17	Indian Wireless Tele- graphy Act, 1933.	Ss. 2 and 10 amended.	15, ss. 4 and 5.
1934	2	Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.	Ss. 2 and 17 amended (w.e.f. 1-1-1962).	47, s. 51 and Second Schedule.
1934	32	Indian Tariff Act, 1934	First Schedule amend- ed.	14, s. 11 and Schedule II.
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1938	4	Insurance Act, 1938	Part IVA inserted S. 114 amended	11, s. 2. Ibid., s. 3.

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No. 47 of 1961

[7th December, 1961]

An Act to provide for the establishment of a corporation for the purpose of insurance of deposits and for other matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Twelfth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

CHAPTER I

PRELIMINARY

Short title, extent and commencement

- 1. (1) This Act may be called the Deposit Insurance Corporation Act, 1961.
 - (2) It extends to the whole of India.
- (3) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Definitions.

- 2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,-
- (a) "banking" means the accepting, for the purpose of lending or investment, of deposits of money from the public, repayable on demand or otherwise, and withdrawable by cheque, draft, order or otherwise;
- (b) "banking company" means any company which transacts the business of banking in India and includes the State Bank, a subsidiary bank and any other banking institution notified under section 51 of the Banking Companies Act, 1949, but does not include the Madras Industrial Investment Corporation Limited:

Explanation.—Any company which is engaged in the manufacture of goods or carries on any trade and which accepts deposits of money from the public merely for the purpose of

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financing its business as such manufacturer or trader shall not be deemed to transact the business of banking within the meaning of this clause;

(c) "Board" means the Board of directors constituted under section 6;

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- (d) "company" means any company as defined in section 3 of the Companies Act, 1956, and includes a foreign company within the meaning of section 591 of that Act:
- (e) "Corporation" means the Deposit Insurance Corporation established under section 3;
- (f) "defunct banking company" means a banking company—
 - (i) which has been prohibited from receiving fresh deposits; or
 - (ii) which has been ordered to be wound up; or
 - (iii) which has transferred all its deposit liabilities in India to any other institution; or
 - (iv) which has ceased to be a banking company within the meaning of sub-section (2) of section 36A of the Banking Companies Act, 1949, or has converted itself into a non-banking company; or
 - (v) in respect of which a liquidator has been appointed in pursuance of a resolution for the voluntary winding up of its affairs; or
 - (vi) in respect of which any scheme of compromise or arrangement or of reconstruction has been sanctioned by any competent authority and the said scheme does not permit the acceptance of fresh deposits; or
 - (vii) which has been granted a moratorium which is in operation; or
 - (viii) in respect of which an application for the winding up of its affairs is pending in a competent court;
- (g) "deposit" means the aggregate of the unpaid balances due to a depositor (other than a foreign Government, the Central Government, a State Government or a banking company) in respect of all his accounts, by whatever name called, with a banking company and includes credit balances in any cash credit account but does not include,—

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- (i) where a banking company at the commencement of this Act is working under a scheme of compromise or arrangement or of reconstruction sanctioned by any competent authority providing for the acceptance \mathbf{of} fresh deposits, any amount due to the depositor in respect his deposit before the date of the coming into force of the scheme to the extent it is not credited after the said date under the provisions of that scheme; or
- (ii) any amount due on account of any deposit received outside India;
- (h) "existing banking company" means a banking company carrying on the business of banking at the commencement of this Act which either holds a licence at such commencement under section 22 of the Banking Companies Act, 1949 or 10 of 1949. having applied for such licence has not been informed by notice in writing by the Reserve Bank that a licence cannot be granted to it and includes the State Bank and a subsidiary bank, but does not include a defunct banking company;

(i) "insured bank" means a banking company for the time being registered under the provisions of this Act and includes for the purposes of sections 16, 17, 18 and 21 a banking company referred to in clause (a) or clause (b) of section 13 the registration whereof has been cancelled under that section;

- (j) "insured deposit" means the deposit or any thereof the repayment whereof is insured by the Corporation under the provisions of this Act;
- (k) "new banking company" means a banking company which begins to transact the business of banking after the commencement of this Act under a licence granted to it under section 22 of the Banking Companies Act, 1949, and includes any banking 10 of 1949. institution notified under section 51 of the said Act after such commencement;

- (l) "premium" means the sum payable by an insured bank under section 15 of this Act;
- (m) "prescribed" means prescribed by regulations made under this Act;
- (n) "Reserve Bank" means the Reserve Bank of India constituted under the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934; 2 of 1934.
- (o) "State Bank" means the State Bank of India constituted under the State Bank of India Act, 1955;

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it in section 2 of the State Bank of India (Subsidiary Banks) Act, 1959.

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CHAPTER II

ESTABLISHMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF THE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

- 3. (1) The Central Government shall, by notification in the Offi-Establish-cial Gazette, establish a Corporation by the name of the Deposit ment and incorporations. Insurance Corporation which shall be a body corporate having pertion of petual succession and a common seal with power, subject to the Deposit provisions of this Act, to acquire, hold or dispose of property and to Corporation. contract, and may, by the said name, sue or be sued.
- (2) The head office of the Corporation shall be at Bombay, but it may, with the previous sanction of the Reserve Bank, establish branches or agencies in any other place in India.
- 4. The authorised capital of the Corporation shall be one crore Capital of of rupees, which shall be fully paid-up and shall stand allotted to Corporation, the Reserve Bank.
- 5. The general superintendence, direction and the management Manager of the affairs and business of the Corporation shall vest in a Board ment of of directors which may exercise all powers and do all acts and things which may be exercised or done by the Corporation.
- \$. (1) The Board of directors of the Corporation shall consist Board of directors.
 - (a) the Governor for the time being of the Reserve Bank, who shall be the Chairman of the Board;
 - (b) a Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank nominated by that bank;
 - (c) an officer of the Central Government nominated by that Government;
 - (d) two directors nominated by the Central Government in consultation with the Reserve Bank having special knowledge of commercial banking or of commerce, industry or finance, neither of whom shall be an officer of Government or of the Reserve Bank or an officer or other employee of the Corporation or a director, an officer or other employee of a banking company or otherwise actively connected with a banking company.

- (2) A director nominated under clause (b) or clause (c) of subsection (1) shall hold office during the pleasure of the authority nominating him and a director nominated under clause (d) of subsection (1) shall hold office for such period not exceeding four years as may be specified by the Central Government.
- (3) A person shall not be capable of being nominated as a director under clause (d) of sub-section (1) if—
 - (a) he has been removed or dismissed from the service of Government or of a local authority or of a corporation or company in which not less than fifty-one per cent. of the paid-up share capital is held by Government; or
 - (b) he is or at any time has been adjudicated as insolvent or has suspended payment of his debts or has compounded with his creditors; or
 - (c) he is of unsound mind and stands so declared by a competent court; or
 - (d) he has been convicted of any offence which, in the opinion of the Central Government, involves moral turpitude.
- (4) If a director nominated under clause (d) of sub-section (1)—
 - (a) becomes subject to any of the disqualifications mentioned in clauses (a) to (d) of sub-section (3); or
 - (b) is absent without leave of the Board for more than three consecutive meetings thereof; or
 - (c) becomes a director or an officer or an employee of an insured bank or is, in the opinion of the Central Government, otherwise actively connected with such bank; or
- (d) becomes an officer or other employee of Government or of the Reserve Bank or of the Corporation; his seat shall thereupon become vacant.

Meetings of Board.

- 7. (1) The Board shall meet at such times and places and shall observe such rules of procedure in regard to the transaction of business at its meetings as may be prescribed.
- (2) The Chairman or, if for any reason he is unable to attend, the director nominated under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 6 shall preside at meetings of the Board and, in the event of equality of votes, shall have a second or casting vote.

- 8. (1) The Board may constitute an Executive Committee con-Committees sisting of such number of directors as may be prescribed.
- (2) The Executive Committee shall discharge such functions as may be prescribed or may be delegated to it by the Board.
- (3) The Board may constitute such other committees, whether consisting wholly of directors or wholly of other persons or partly of directors and partly of other persons as it thinks fit for the purpose of discharging such of its functions as may be prescribed or may be delegated to them by the Board.
- (4) A committee constituted under this section shall meet such times and places and shall observe such rules of procedure in regard to the transaction of business at its meetings as may be prescribed.
- (5) The members of a committee (other than directors of the Board) shall be paid by the Corporation such fees and allowances for attending its meetings and for attending to any other work of the Corporation as may be prescribed.
- 9. The directors of the Board shall be paid by the Corporation Fees and such fees and allowances for attending the meetings of the Board or allowances of directors. of any of its committees and for attending to any other work of the Corporation as may be prescribed:

Provided that no fees shall be payable to the Chairman or to the director nominated under clause (b) or clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 6.

CHAPTER III

REGISTRATION OF BANKING COMPANIES AS INSURED BANKS AND LIABILITY OF CORPORATION TO DEPOSITORS

- 10. The Corporation shall register every existing banking com-Registration pany as an insured bank before the expiry of thirty days from the banking date of commencement of this Act. date of commencement of this Act.
- 11. The Corporation shall register every new banking company Registration as an insured bank as soon as may be after it is granted a licence of new banking to of 1949, under section 22 of the Banking Companies Act, 1949, or, as the case companies. may be, after it is notified under section 51 of the said Act.
 - 12. Every banking company, being a defunct banking company Registration at the commencement of this Act, by reason of sub-clause (vii) or of defunct sub-clause (viii) of clause (f) of section 2 shall, unless it becomes companies. a defunct banking company under any other sub-clause of that

clause, be registered by the Corporation as an insured bank as soon as may be after the termination of the order of moratorium or, as the case may be, the rejection of the application for its winding up.

Cancellation of registration.

- 13. The registration of a banking company as an insured bank shall stand cancelled on the occurrence of any of the following events, namely:—
 - (a) if it has been prohibited from receiving fresh deposits;
 - (b) if it has been informed by notice in writing by the Reserve Bank that its licence has been cancelled under section 22 of the Banking Companies Act, 1949, or that a licence under 10 of 194 that section cannot be granted to it; or
 - (c) if it has been ordered to be wound up; or
 - (d) if it has transferred all its deposit liabilities in India to any other institution; or
 - (e) if it has ceased to be a banking company within the meaning of sub-section (2) of section 36A of the Banking Companies Act, 1949, or has converted itself into a non-banking to of 194 company; or
 - (f) if a liquidator has been appointed in pursuance of a resolution for the voluntary winding up of its affairs; or
 - (g) if in respect of it any scheme of compromise or arrangement or of reconstruction has been sanctioned by any competent authority and the said scheme does not permit the acceptance of fresh deposits; or
 - (h) if it has been amalgamated with any other banking institution.

I ntimation of registration.

- 14. (1) Where the Corporation has registered any banking company as an insured bank, it shall, within thirty days of its registration, send an intimation in writing to the banking company that it has been registered as an insured bank.
- (2) Every such intimation shall indicate the manner in which the premium payable by the bank under section 15 may be calculated.

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15. (1) Every insured bank shall, so long as it continues to be Premium. registered, be liable to pay a premium to the Corporation on its deposits at such rate or rates as may, with the previous approval of the Central Government, be notified by the Corporation Official Gazette from time to time:

Provided that the premium payable by any insured bank for any period shall not exceed fifteen naye paise per annum for every hundred rupees of the total amount of the deposits in that bank at the end of that period or, where its registration has been cancelled during that period, on the date of its cancellation:

Provided further that where the registration of any insured bank is cancelled under section 13, such cancellation shall not affect the liability of that bank for payment of premium for the period before such cancellation and of any interest due under the provisions of this section.

- (2) The premium shall be payable for such periods, at times and in such manner as may be prescribed.
- (3) If an insured bank makes any default in payment of any amount of premium, it shall, for the period of such default, be liable to pay to the Corporation interest on such amount at such rate not exceeding eight per cent. per annum as may be prescribed.
- 16. (1) Where an order for the winding up or liquidation of an Liability of insured bank is made, the Corporation shall, subject to the other pro- in respect of visions of this Act, be liable to pay to every depositor of that bank insured in accordance with the provisions of section 17 an amount equal to deposits. the amount due to him in respect of his deposit in that bank at the time when such order is made:

Provided that the liability of the Corporation in respect of an insured bank referred to in clause (a) or clause (b) of section 13 shall be limited to the deposits as on the date of the cancellation of the registration:

Provided further that the total amount payable by the Corporation to any one depositor in respect of his deposit in that bank in the same capacity and in the same right shall not exceed one thousand and five hundred rupees:

Provided further that the Corporation may, from time to time, having regard to its financial position and to the interests of the banking system of the country as a whole, raise, with the previous approval of the Central Government, the aforesaid limit thousand and five hundred rupees.

(2) Where in respect of an insured bank a scheme of compromise or arrangement or of reconstruction or amalgamation has been sanctioned by any competent authority and the said scheme provides for each depositor being paid or credited with, on the date on which the scheme comes into force, an amount which is less than the original amount and also the specified amount, the Corporation shall be liable to pay to every such depositor in accordance with the provisions of section 18 an amount equivalent to the difference between the amount so paid or credited and the original amount, or the difference between the amount so paid or credited and the specified amount, whichever is less:

Provided that where any such scheme also provides that any payment made to a depositor before the coming into force of the scheme shall be reckoned towards the payment due to him under that scheme, then the scheme shall be deemed to have provided for that payment being made on the date of its coming into force.

(3) For the purposes of this section, the amount of a deposit shall be determined after deducting therefrom any ascertained sum of money which the insured bank may be legally entitled to claim by way of set off against the depositor in the same capacity and in the same right.

(4) In this section,—

(a) "original amount" in relation to a depositor means the total amount due by the insured bank immediately before the date of coming into force of the scheme of compromise or arrangement or, as the case may be, of reconstruction or amalgamation to the depositor in respect of his deposit in the bank in the same capacity and in the same right:

Provided that where under the proviso to sub-section (2), the scheme is deemed to have provided for any payment being made on the date of its coming into force, the amount of such payment shall be included in calculating the original amount;

- (b) "specified amount" means one thousand and five hundred rupees, or, as the case may be, the amount fixed by the Corporation under the third proviso to sub-section (1).
- 17. (1) Where an insured bank has been ordered to be wound up or to be taken into liquidation and a liquidator, by whatever name called, has been appointed in respect thereof, the liquidator shall, with the least possible delay and in any case not later than three months from the date of his assuming charge of office, furnish to the

Manner of payment by Corporation in case of winding up of insured banks.

Corporation a list in such form and manner as may be specified by the Corporation showing separately the deposits in respect of each depositor and the amounts of set off referred to in sub-section (3) of section 16.

- (2) Before the expiry of two months from the receipt of such list from the liquidator, the Corporation shall pay to each depositor of the insured bank in respect of his deposit the amount payable under section 16 either directly or through the liquidator or through any other agency as the Corporation may determine.
- 18. (1) Where a scheme of amalgamation of any insured bank Manner of with any other banking institution (hereinafter referred to as the payment by transferee bank) or a scheme of compromise or arrangement or of in case of reconstruction in respect of such bank has been sanctioned and the scheme of Corporation has become liable to pay to depositors of the insured or arrange-bank under sub-section (2) of section 16, the transferee bank where the scheme is of amalgamation and the insured bank in any other tion or amalcase shall, with the least possible delay and in any case not later than gamation in three months from the date on which such scheme takes effect, insured furnish to the Corporation a list in such form and manner as may be bank. specified by the Corporation and certified to be correct by the chief executive officer of the transferee bank or, as the case may be, of the insured bank showing separately deposits in respect of each depositor and the amounts of set off referred to in sub-section (3) of section 16 and also the amounts paid or credited or deemed to have been paid under the scheme.

- (2) Before the expiry of two months from the receipt of such list, the Corporation shall pay the amount payable under section 16 either directly to the depositor or to the transferee bank or the insured bank for being credited in his account.
- 19. Any amount paid by the Corporation under section 17 or Discharge of section 18 in respect of a deposit shall, to the extent of the amount of Corporapaid, discharge the Corporation from its liability in respect of that tion. deposit.

20. Where any depositor to whom any payment is to be made in provision accordance with the provisions of section 17 or section 18 cannot be for unpaid found or is not readily traceable, adequate provision shall be made amounts. by the Corporation for such payment and the amount of such provision shall be accounted for separately in its books.

section 17 or Repayment 21. (1) Where any amount has been paid under section 18 or any provision therefor has been made under section 20, amount to the Corporation shall furnish to the liquidator or to the insured bank Corporation

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or to the transferee bank, as the case may be, information as regards the amount so paid or provided for.

- (2) On receipt of the information under sub-section (1), notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any other law for the time being in force,—
 - (a) the liquidator shall, within such time and in such manner as may be prescribed, repay to the Corporation out of the amount, if any, payable by him in respect of any deposit such sum or sums as make up the amount paid or provided for by the Corporation in respect of that deposit;
 - (b) the insured bank or, as the case may be, the transferee bank shall, within such time and in such manner as may be prescribed, repay to the Corporation out of the amount, if any, to be paid or credited in respect of any deposit after the date of the coming into force of the scheme referred to in section 18, such sum or sums as make up the amount paid or provided for by the Corporation in respect of that deposit.

CHAPTER IV

FUNDS, ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

Funds of Corporation,

22. The Corporation shall maintain two funds to be called respectively the Deposit Insurance Fund and the General Fund.

Deposit Insurance Fund.

- 23. (1) To the Deposit Insurance Fund shall be credited,—
 - (a) all amounts received by the Corporation as premium;
 - (b) all amounts received by the Corporation under section 21;
- (c) the amount advanced by the Reserve Bank under section 26;
- (d) all amounts transferred to that Fund from the General Fund under section 27; and
- (e) all income arising from the investments made out of that Fund.
- (2) The said Fund shall be applied—
 - (a) to make payments in respect of insured deposits:
- (b) to meet liability in respect of an advance taken under section 26; and
- (c) to meet liability in respect of the amounts referred to in clause (d) of sub-section (1).

- 24. All receipts of the Corporation other than those referred to in General sub-section (1) of section 23 shall be credited to the General Fund and all payments by the Corporation other than those referred to in sub-section (2) of that section shall be made out of that Fund.
- 25. All moneys belonging to the Deposit Insurance Fund or the Investment. General Fund which may not for the time being be required by the Corporation shall be invested in promissory notes, stock or securities of the Central Government and all other moneys shall be deposited with the Reserve Bank.
- 26. (1) The Reserve Bank shall, from time to time, advance to Advances by the Corporation on a request by it such sum or sums as may be Bank. required by the Corporation for the purposes of the Deposit Insurance Fund:

Provided that the total amount outstanding at any one time on account of such advances shall not exceed five crores of rupees.

- (2) The terms and conditions of any advance under this section shall be such as may be determined by the Reserve Bank with the approval of the Central Government.
- 27. If at any time the amount available in the Deposit Insurance Advance Fund is insufficient to meet the requirements of that Fund, the Cor-from General Fund poration may transfer from the General Fund such amount as may be to Deposit necessary to meet the requirements of the Deposit Insurance Fund Insurance Fund. on such terms and for such period as may be determined by the Board with the approval of the Reserve Bank.

28. (1) The balance-sheet and accounts of the Corporation shall Preparation be prepared and maintained in such form and manner as may prescribed.

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- (2) The Board shall cause the books and accounts of the Corporation to be balanced and closed as on the 31st day of December, each year.
- 29. (1) The affairs of the Corporation shall be audited by an Audit. auditor duly qualified to act as an auditor under sub-section (1) of section 226 of the Companies Act, 1956, who shall be appointed by the Board with the previous approval of the Reserve Bank and shall receive such remuneration from the Corporation as the Reserve Bank may fix.

- (2) The auditor shall be supplied with a copy of the annual balance-sheet of the Corporation and it shall be his duty to examine it together with the accounts and vouchers relating thereto and he shall have a list delivered to him of all books kept by the Corporation and shall at all reasonable times have access to the books, accounts and other documents of the Corporation and may, in relation to such accounts, examine any director of the Board or any officer or employee of the Corporation.
- (3) The auditor shall make a report to the Corporation upon the annual balance-sheet and accounts and in every such report he shall state whether in his opinion the balance-sheet is a full and fair balance-sheet containing all necessary particulars and properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of affairs of the Corporation and in case he had called for any explanation or information from the Board, whether it has been given and whether it is satisfactory.
- (4) Without prejudice to anything contained in the preceding sub-sections, the Central Government may at any time appoint the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India to examine and report upon the accounts of the Corporation, and any expenditure incurred by him in connection with such examination and report shall be payable by the Corporation to the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India.

Income-tax and supertax.

30. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Indian Incometax Act, 1922 or any other enactment for the time being in force 11 of 1922. relating to income-tax or super-tax, the Corporation shall not be liable to pay income-tax or super-tax on any of its income, profits or gains for the accounting year during which the Corporation is established and for four accounting years following that year.

Reserve fund.

31. After making provision for all its liabilities and for all other matters for which provision is necessary or expedient, including any contribution to the staff and superannuation funds, the Corporation shall transfer the balance, if any, of its income in its General Fund to one or more reserve funds to be utilised in such manner and for such purposes as the Corporation may deem fit.

Annual accounts and reports.

32. (1) The Corporation shall furnish to the Reserve Bank within three months from the date on which its accounts are balanced and closed the balance-sheet and accounts together with the auditor's report and a report of the working of the Corporation during the year and copies of the said balance-sheet and accounts and reports shall be furnished by the Corporation to the Central Government.

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(2) The Central Government shall cause every auditor's report and report of the working of the Corporation to be laid for not less than thirty days before each House of Parliament as soon as may be after each such report is received by the Central Government.

CHAPTER V

MISCELLANEOUS

- 33. (1) The Corporation may appoint such number of officers and Staff of employees as it considers necessary or desirable for the efficient Corporation performance of its functions and determine the terms and conditions of their appointment and service.
- (2) Without prejudice to the provisions sub-section it shall be lawful for the Corporation to utilise, and for the Reserve Bank to make available, the services of such staff of the Reserve Bank on such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the Corporation and the Reserve Bank.

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34. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Banking Returns from Companies Act, 1949, or any other law for the time being in force insured the Corporation may at any time direct an insured bank to furnish to it, within such time as may be specified by the Corporation, such statements and information relating to the deposits in that bank as the Corporation may consider necessary or expedient to obtain for the purposes of this Act.

- (2) The Corporation may, if it considers it expedient and after consulting the Reserve Bank, publish any information obtained by it under this section in such consolidated form as it may think fit.
- 35. (1) The Corporation shall have free access to all such records Corporation of an insured bank perusal whereof may appear to the Corporation access to to be necessary for the discharge of its functions under this Act.

- (2) The Corporation may require any insured bank to furnish to it copies of any of the records referred to in sub-section (1) and the bank shall be bound to comply with the requisition.
- 36. (1) The Corporation may for any of the purposes of this Act Inspection request the Reserve Bank to cause an inspection of the books and of insured banks by accounts or an investigation of the affairs of an insured bank to Reserve be made and on such request the Reserve Bank shall cause such Bank. inspection or investigation to be made by one or more of its officers.

- (2) The provisions of sub-section (2) and sub-section (3) of section 35 of the Banking Companies Act, 1949 shall apply to an inspec- 10 of 1949 tion or investigation under sub-section (1) as they apply to an inspection under that section.
- (3) When an inspection or investigation has been made under this section, the Reserve Bank shall furnish a copy of its report to the Corporation and neither the bank inspected or investigated nor any other bank shall be entitled to be furnished with a copy of such report.
- (4) Notwithstanding anything contained in any law for time being in force, no court, tribunal or other authority shall compel the production or disclosure of a report under this section or of information or material gathered during the course of an inspection or investigation under this section.

Corporation to furnish information to Reserve Bank.

37. The Corporation shall, on a request in writing from the Reserve Bank, furnish to it within such time as may be specified by the Reserve Bank, such statements and information relating to the business or affairs of the Corporation or of an insured bank as the Reserve Bank may consider necessary or expedient.

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38. The Reserve Bank shall, on a request in writing Bank to de Corporation, furnish to it any report or information relating to an insured bank made or obtained by it under or in pursuance of the Corporation. Reserve Bank of India Act. 1934 or the Banking Companies Act, 2 of 1934. 1949.

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Declaration of fidelity and secrecy.

39. Every director, auditor, officer or other employee of the Corporation or an employee of the Reserve Bank whose services are utilised by the Corporation under sub-section (2) of section 33 shall, before entering upon his duties, make a declaration of fidelity and secrecy in the form set out in the First Schedule to this Act.

Indemnity of directors.

- 40. (1) Every director of the Board shall be indemnified by the Corporation against all losses and expenses incurred by him in, or in relation to, the discharge of his duties except such as are caused by his own wilful act or default.
- (2) A director of the Board shall not be responsible for any other director or for any other officer or other employee of the Corporation, or for any loss or expenses resulting to the Corporation from the insufficiency or deficiency of value of or title to any property or security acquired or taken on behalf of the Corporation or the insolvency or wrongful act of any debtor or any person under obligation to the Corporation or anything done in good faith in the execution of the duties of his office or in relation thereto.

41. (1) No act or proceeding of the Board or of any committee Defects in of the Corporation shall be questioned on the ground merely of the appointments existence of any vacancy or defect in the constitution of the Board date acts, or committee.

- (2) No act done by any person acting in good faith as a director of the Board shall be deemed to be invalid merely on the ground that he was disqualified to be a director or that there was any other defect in his appointment.
- 42. No suit or other legal proceeding shall lie against the Cor- Protection of poration or the Reserve Bank or any director of the Board or any under this officer of the Corporation or the Reserve Bank or any other person Act. authorised by the Corporation to discharge any functions under this Act for any damage caused or likely to be caused by anything which is in good faith done or intended to be done in pursuance of this Act.

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43. Nothing in the Companies Act, 1956 or the Insurance Act, Companies 1938, shall apply to the Corporation.

Act, 1956 and Insurance Act, 1938 not to apply.

44. (1) The Corporation shall not be placed in liquidation save Liquidation by order of the Central Government and in such manner as that of Corporation Government may direct.

(2) On the liquidation of the Corporation—

- (a) the outstanding assets of the Corporation in so far as they relate to the Deposit Insurance Fund shall be distributed among the insured banks in such manner and in such proportion as may be determined by the Central Government having regard to the amounts of premium paid by them during prescribed period or the deposits of the said banks as on the date of liquidation of the Corporation or other relevant circumstances;
- (b) the remaining outstanding assets of the Corporation shall be transferred to the Reserve Bank.
- 45. In the discharge of its functions under this Act, the Corpora- Power of tion shall be guided by such directions in matters of policy involv- Central Going public interest as the Central Government may after consulting the Reserve Bank give to it in writing, and if any question arises tions. whether the direction relates to a matter of policy involving public interest, the decision of the Central Government thereon shall final.

Dispute as to amount of premiunt.

46. Any dispute as to the amount of premium due from any insured bank shall be decided by the Central Government and the decision of that Government shall be final.

Penalties.

- 47. (1) Whoever in any return, balance-sheet, or other document or in any information required or furnished by or under or for the purposes of any provision of this Act, wilfully makes a statement which is false in any material particular, knowing it to be false, or wilfully omits to make a material statement, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years and shall also be liable to fine.
- (2) If any person fails to produce any book, account or other document, or to furnish any statement or information which, under the provisions of this Act, it is his duty to produce or furnish, he shall be punishable with a fine which may extend to two thousand rupees in respect of each offence and in the case of a continuing failure, with an additional fine which may extend to one hundred rupees for every day during which the failure continues after conviction for the first such failure.

Offences by companies.

48. (1) Where an offence has been committed by a company, every person who, at the time the offence was committed, was in charge of, and was responsible to the company for the conduct of the business of the company, as well as the company, shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly:

Provided that nothing contained in this sub-section shall render any such person liable to any punishment provided in this Act, if he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company and it is proved that the offence has been committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any gross negligence on the part of, any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, such director, manager, secretary or other officer shall also be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this section,—

(a) "company" means any body corporate and includes, a firm or other association of individuals; and

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- (b) "director" in relation to a firm, means a partner in the firm.
- 49. No court shall take cognizance of any offence punishable Cognizance under this Act except upon a complaint in writing made by an officer of offences. cer of the Corporation generally or specially authorised in writing in this behalf by the Board and no court inferior to that of a presidency magistrate or a magistrate of the first class shall try any such offence.
- 50. (1) The Board may, with the previous approval of the Re-Regulations serve Bank, make regulations not inconsistent with this Act to provide for all matters for which provision is necessary or expedient for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of this Act.
- (2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such regulations may provide for—
 - (a) the times and places of the meetings of the Board or of any committee constituted under this Act and the procedure to be followed at such meetings including the quorum necessary for the transaction of business;
 - (b) the number of directors constituting an Executive Committee, and the functions that such committee shall discharge;
 - (c) the functions which any other committee may discharge under this Act;
 - (d) the fees and allowances that may be paid to the members of a committee other than directors of the Board;
 - (e) the fees and allowances that may be paid to the directors of the Board;
 - (f) the periods for which, the times at which and the manner in which premium may be paid by an insured bank;
 - (g) the interest which may be charged from an insured bank where it makes default in payment of premium;
 - (h) the manner in which and the time within which the amounts referred to in section 21 may be paid;
 - (i) the form and the manner in which the balance-sheet and the accounts of the Corporation shall be prepared or maintained; and
 - (j) any other matter which is to be, or may be prescribed.

(3) Any regulation which may be made by the Board under this Act may be made by the Reserve Bank within three months of the establishment of the Corporation; and any regulation so made may be altered or rescinded by the Board in the exercise of its powers under this Act.

Amendment of certain enactments.

51. The enactments specified in the Second Schedule to this Act shall be amended in the manner provided therein.

THE FIRST SCHEDULE

(See section 39)

Declaration of fidelity and secrecy

I do hereby declare that I will faithfully, truly and to the best of my skill and ability execute and perform the duties required of me as director, auditor, officer or other employee (as the case may be) of the Deposit Insurance Corporation and which properly relate to the office or position held by me in the said Corporation.

I further declare that I will not communicate or allow to be communicated to any person not legally entitled thereto any information relating to the affairs of the Deposit Insurance Corporation or to the affairs of any person having any dealing with the said Corporation; nor will I allow any such person to inspect or have access to any books or documents belonging to or in the possession of the Deposit Insurance Corporation and relating to the business of the said Corporation or the business of any person having any dealing with the said Corporation.

(Signature.)

Signed before me:

THE SECOND SCHEDULE

(See section 51)

Amendment of certain enactments

PART I

AMENDMENTS TO THE RESERVE BANK OF INDIA ACT, 1934
(2 of 1934)

Amendments

- 1. In section 2, after clause (bb), insert the following clause, namely:—
 - '(bbb) "Deposit Insurance Corporation" means the Deposit Insurance Corporation established under section 3 of the Deposit Insurance Corporation Act, 1961;".
 - 2. In section 17,-
 - (a) after clause (4C), insert the following clause, namely:—
 - "(4D) the making to the Deposit Insurance Corporation of loans and advances; and generally assisting the Corporation in such manner and on such terms as may be determined by the Central Board.";
 - (b) in clause (8A), after "the capital of", insert "the Deposit Insurance Corporation".

PART II

AMENDMENTS TO THE BANKING COMPANIES ACT, 1949

(10 of 1949)

Amendments .

- 1. In section 5, after clause (f), insert the following clause, namely:—
 - '(ff) "Deposit Insurance Corporation" means the Deposit Insurance Corporation established under section 3 of the Deposit Insurance Corporation Act, 1961;'.

2. In section 43A,-

- (i) in sub-section (6), for "the foregoing provisions", substitute "the provisions of this section";
- (ii) after sub-section (8), insert the following sub-sections, namely:—
 - "(9) Nothing contained in sub-sections (2), (3), (4), (7) and (8) shall apply to a banking company in respect of the depositors of which the Deposit Insurance Corporation is liable under section 16 of the Deposit Insurance Corporation Act, 1961.
 - (10) After preferential payments referred to in subsection (1) have been made or adequate provision has been made in respect thereof, the remaining assets of the banking company referred to in subsection (9) available for payment to general creditors shall be utilised for payment on pro rata basis of the debts of the general creditors and of the sums due to the depositors:

Provided that where any amount in respect of any deposit is to be paid by the liquidator to the Deposit Insurance Corporation under section 21 of the Deposit Insurance Corporation Act, 1961, only the balance, if any left after making the said payment shall be payable to the depositor.".

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*PART III

Amendments to the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947

(14 of 1947)

In section 2, in sub-clause (i) of clause (a), after "to an industrial dispute concerning" insert "the Deposit Insurance Corporation established under section 3 of the Deposit Insurance Corporation Act, 1961, or".