

PART VIII

THE STATES IN PART C OF THE FIRST SCHEDULE

239. (1) Subject to the other provisions of this Part, a State specified in Part C of the First Schedule shall be administered by the President acting, to such extent as he thinks fit, through a Chief Commissioner or a Lieutenant-Governor to be appointed by him or through the Government of a neighbouring State :

Provided that the President shall not act through the Government of a neighbouring State save after-

(a) consulting the Government concerned ; and

(b) ascertaining in such manner as the President considers most appropriate the views of the people of the State to be so administered,

(2) In this article, references to a State shall include references to a part of a State.

240. (1) Parliament may by law create or continue for any State specified in Part C of the First Schedule and administered through a Chief Commissioner or Lieutenant- Governor

(a) a body, whether nominated, elected or partly nominated and partly elected, to function as a Legislature for the State ; or

(b) a Council of Advisors or Ministers, or both with such constitution, powers and functions, in each case, as may be specified in the law.

(2) Any such law as is referred to in clause (1) shall not be deemed to be an amendment of this Constitution for the purposes of article 368 notwithstanding that it contains any provision which amends or has the effect of amending the Constitution.

241. High Courts for Union territoriesâ\200\224(1) Parliament may by law constitute a High Court for a State specified in Part C of the First Schedule or declare any court in any such

State to be a High Court for all or any of the purposes of this Constitution.

(2) The provisions of Chapter V of Part VI shall apply in relation to every High Court referred to in clause (1) as they apply in relation to a High Court referred to in article 214 subject to such modifications or exceptions as Parliament may by law provide.

(3) Subject to the provisions of this Constitution and to the provisions of any law of the appropriate Legislature made by virtue of powers conferred on that Legislature by or under this Constitution, every High Court exercising jurisdiction immediately before the commencement of this Constitution in relation to any State specified in Part C of the First Schedule or any area included therein shall continue to exercise such jurisdiction in relation to that State or area after such commencement.

(4) Nothing in this article derogates from the power of Parliament to extend or exclude the jurisdiction of a High Court in any State specified in Part A or Part B of the First Schedule to or from, any State specified in Part C of that Schedule or any area included within that State.

242. Coorg-(1) Until Parliament by law otherwise provides, the constitution, powers and functions of

the Coorg Legislative Council shall be the same as they were immediately before the commencement of this Constitution.

(2) The arrangements with respect to revenues collected in Coorg and expenses in respect of Coorg shall, until other provision is made in that behalf by the President by order, continue unchanged.