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An Act to assimilate certain laws in force in the scheduled areas to the laws in force in the Khasi and Jaintia Hills District. BE it enacted by Parliament in the Fifth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

### **1. Short title and commencement.-**

(1) This Act may be called the Shillong (Rifle Range and Umlong) Cantonments Assimilation of Laws Act, 1954. (2) It shall come into force on such date<sup>1</sup> as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

**1. 16th August, 1954, see Gazette of India 1954, Part II, s. 3.**

### **2. Definitions.-**

In this Act:- (a) appointed day means the date appointed under sub-section (2) of section 1 for the coming into force of this Act. (b) law means so much of any Act, Ordinance, Regulation, rule, order or bye-law as relates to any of the matters enumerated in Lists I and III in the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution; (c) "scheduled areas means, the areas specified in the Schedule.

### **3. Assimilation of laws.-**

(1) All laws which immediately before the appointed day extend to, or are in force in the scheduled areas shall on that day cease to be in force in the scheduled areas except as respects things done or omitted to be done before that day, and for the removal of doubts, it is hereby declared that section 6 of the General Clauses Act, 1897 (10 of 1897) shall apply in relation to such successor as it applies in

relation to the repeal of an enactment by a Central Act.(2)All laws which immediately before the appointed day extend to, or in force in, the Khasi and Jaintia Hills District shall as from that day extend to and be in force in the scheduled areas.

#### 4. Removal of difficulties.-

If any difficulty arises in relation to the transition under section 3 from one law or group of laws to another law or group of laws, the Central Government may, by order notified in the Official Gazette, make such provisions as it considers necessary for the removal of the difficulty. The Schedule [See Section 2(C)] (1) The Shillong (Rifle Range) Cantonment, that is to say, the area as defined below:- Note 1.- This area lies about half a mile to the west of Laban village, and about the same distance south of the Umjasai river as it runs from west to east from Cantonment Boundary Pillar No. 37. It is nowhere contiguous with the boundaries of the Shillong Cantonment. Note 2.- No. 1 Boundary Pillar is situated at a bearing of 3130 and at a distance of 420 feet from the centre of the 4000 firing point on the main range through which the Ummawlong stream flows, and at a bearing of 2430 and at a distance of 565 feet from centre of the 6000 firing point on the same range, Magnetic variation, when this boundary was surveyed in 1926, was 150 west. Boundaries of the detached area

Pillars	Bearing from Magnetic North		Direct Horizontal distance in feet.
	Degrees	Minutes	
Pillar No. 1 to Pillar No. 2. The boundary runs from pillar No 1 in a north-westerly direction crossing the head of a Nala, to Pillar No. 2, which is situated on spur across this Nala.	308	18	335
Pillar No. 2 to Pillar No. 3. Thence it veers slightly more north wards and descends a thickly wooded slope until it reaches a stream at pillar No. 3	317	12	391
Pillar No. 3 to Pillar No. 4. The boundary is formed by the stream between these two pillars and runs in a south-westerly direction. Pillar No. 4 is in midstream.	219	42	830
Pillar No. 4 to Pillar No. 5. Thence it turns sharp south-east to pillar No. 5 situated at the foot of a steep of hill.	144	48	61
Pillar No. 5 to Pillar No. 6. Thence the boundary again turns sharp south-west with a slight diagonal ascent.	238	12	113
	187	24	164

Pillar No. 6 to	From Pillar No. 6 the slight diagonal ascent is continue but almost due south.			
Pillar No. 7				
Pillar No. 7 to Pillar No. 8	The boundarythence continues in the same line for a distance of 40 Per feet whenceit curves south-west to Pillar No. 8 situated in the center of a Nala 50feet to the south-east of the south corner of a disused range butt.	212	6	208
Pillar No. 8 to Pillar No. 9	Thence to the south corner of this butt and along the Pillar No. 9 in the centre of the south-west side of the butt.	324	48	138
Pillar No. 9 to Pillar No. 10	The boundarythence turns a right angle to run south-west straight up a steep slopefor a distance of 150 feet, thence turning south to follow a spur for180 feet upto Pillar No. 10.	205	48	300
Pillar No. 10 to Pillar No. 11	Thence under the brow of this spur in a curve, for 95 feet to the south-east and 60 feet almost south.	141	54	150
Pillar No. 11 to Pillar No. 12	Thence south-west to Pillar No. 12 situated on the crest of the spur.	238	54	120
Pillar No. 12 to Pillar No. 13	The boundary between these two Pillars follows up the same spur in a south-easterly direction.	225	30	391
Pillar No. 13 to Pillar No. 14	Thence the boundary turns south-east and runs down to a Nala.	159	30	231
Pillar No. 14 to Pillar No. 15	Thence in the same line to a spur across the Nala.	154	18	268
Pillar No. 15 to Pillar No. 16	Thence in the same line across this spur to the south slope of it.	152	30	320
Pillar No. 16 to	The boundary turns Cast from Pillar No. 16 along the south slope of the spur.	77	12	235

Pillar No.				
17				
Pillar No.				
17 to	In the same line down the south-east slope of this spur.	82	36	210
Pillar No.				
18				
Pillar No.	The boundary here veers north-east, descends a steep			
18 to	slope to cross a Nala down which the Wah Jalynnoh			
Pillar No.	branch of the Ummawlong stream flows and ascends	75	54	850
19	a steep slope to the north-east of this stream to Pillar No.			
	19 which is situated in a clearing in a thick wood.			
Pillar No.	Thence almost in the same line but slightly more northerly			
19 to	along this clearing to Pillar No. 20 on the edge of a track	70	42	464
Pillar No.	running south-west from the southern extremity of			
20	Kench's Trace.			
Pillar No.				
20 to	Thence north-east to Pillar No. 21 which is situated to the	42	48	363
Pillar No.	east of the southern extremity of Kench's Trace.			
21				
Pillar No.	The Boundary runs in a north westerly direction along			
21 to	Kench's Trace to Pillar No. 21A; thence in a direct line to			
Pillar No.	Pillar No. 21 B situated on Kench's Trace; thence along	326	30	680
22	Kench's Trace through Pillar No. 21C to Pillar No. 21D;			
	thence in a direct line to Pillar No. 22 which is situated on			
	the west bank of the Ummawlong stream just north of the			
	20 yards firing point of the rifle range.			
Pillar No.				
22 to	The west bank of the Ummawlong stream forms the	5	30	1,440
Pillar No.	boundary between these two pillars.			
23				
Pillars				
No. 23 to	The boundary hence turns abruptly and runs south-west	203	42	200
Pillar No.	on to the lower crest of a spur.			
24				
Pillar No.				
24 to	Thence in the same line up and across a Nala running to	203	42	200
Pillar No.	the south-east of this spur.			
25				
Pillar No.				
25 to	Thence in the same line up the side of a spur to the	203	12	240
Pillar No.	south-east of this Nala, to Pillar No. 1.			
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(2)The Shillong (Umlong) Cantonment, that is to say, the area as defined below:-Area .....1,962 acres.Breamar East Boundary Pillar No.1 or Contonment Boundary Pillar No. 29 is situated on the left bank of the Wah Sohkhlor at a point 300 feet, north-west of Cantonment boundary Pillar No. 30 on a True Bearing of 308o II from Cantonment Boundary Pillar No. 30.[MagneticVariation.....55' west in 1931.]

Description	Forward bearings from true North		Horizontal distance in feet.
	Degrees	Minutes	
From BraemarBoundary Pillar No. 1 which is also Cantonment Boundary Pillar No. 29the boundary runs across a stream in a north-westerly direction in a straight line along the boundary of private land to Braemar BoundaryPillar No. 2.	294	30	165
From BraemarBoundary Pillar No. 2 the boundary runs in a westerly direction alongthe boundary of private land to the bed of the dry nallah at a point 10feet north of Braemar Pillar No. 3.	258	05	800
From BraemarBoundary Pillar No. 3 the boundary runs in a westerly direction alongthe bed of dry nallah to Braemar Boundary Pillar No. 4 which is situatednear the head of this dry nallah.	252	28	800
From BraemarBoundary Pillar No. 4 the boundary runs in a southerly direction for a distance of about 70 feet to a private cart road, thence along the eastside of this road to Braemar Boundary Pillar No. 5 which is situated on aleft bank of a stream, where the road crosses the stream.	184	53	580
From BraemarBoundary Pillar No. 5 the boundary runs in a south-westerly directionacross the stream and the cart road up the hill in a straight line toBraemar Boundary Pillar No. 6 alongside the Cantonment Boundary PillarNo. 34.	216	50	240
From BraemarBoundary Pillar No. 6 the boundary runs in an easterly direction alongthe Cantonment Boundary to Braemar Boundary Pillar No. 7 which issituated where the road crosses the Wah Sohkhlor on its right bankapproximately 46 feet west of Cantonment Boundary Pillar No. 33 situatedon the hillside.	97	05	705
From BraemaryBoundary Pillar No. 7 the Boundary runs in a north-easterly directionalong the Cantonment Boundary which is the right bank of the WahSohkhlor (Wah Lindoh) stream to Braemar Boundary Pillar No. 8 which issituated on the right bank where the river bends left handed belowCantonment Boundary Pillar No. 30.	36	30	1,150
From BraemarBoundary Pillar No. 8 in a northwesterly direction along the CantonmentBoundary which is the right bank of the Wah Sokhlur (Wah Lindoh) streamand crossing it opposite Braemar	292	30	195

**Boundary Pillar No. 1.**