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The Tamil Nadu Christian Marriages (Second Validation) Act, 1941Tamil Nadu Act 24 of 1941An Act to validate certain marriages solemnized by Mr. Mayalur Lazarus of the Telugu Church Council of the South India United Church. Whereas a licence was granted by the [State Government] [This expression was substituted for the expression 'Government of Madras' by the Tamil Nadu Adaptation of Laws Order, 1970.] on the 26th day of July 1932, to Mr. Mayalur Lazarus of the Telugu Church Council of the South India United Church, to grant certificates of marriage between Indian Christians under section 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act, 1872; And Whereas the said licence was revoked by the said Government with effect on and from the 6th day of January 1939; And Whereas after the date of the said revocation the said Mr. Mayalur Lazarus continued to solemnize marriages and to grant certificates of marriage up to and including the 12th day of April 1941 as if the said licence had not been revoked; And Whereas it is doubtful whether the marriages so solemnized and the certificates so granted and the other acts done by the said Mr. Mayalur Lazarus on and from the 6th day of January, 1939 up to and including the 12th day of April 1941 are valid in law; And Whereas there is no reason to doubt that the parties to the said marriages believed in good faith that the said Mr. Mayalur Lazarus was legally entitled to solemnize marriages and to grant certificates of marriage between the said dates; And Whereas it is expedient that all such marriages and all certificates of marriage granted and all other acts relating to such marriages or certificates done by the said Mr. Mayalur Lazarus should be validated; And Whereas the Governor of [Tamil Nadu] [These words were substituted for the word 'Madras' by the Tamil Nadu Adaptation of Laws Order, 1969 as amended by the Tamil Nadu Adaptation of Laws (Second Amendment) Order, 1969.] has, by a Proclamation under section 93 of the Government of India Act, 1935, assumed to himself all powers vested by or under the said Act in the Provincial Legislature; Now, Therefore, in exercise of the powers so assumed to himself, the Governor is pleased to enact as follows:-

1. Short title.

- This Act may be called the [Tamil Nadu] [These words were substituted for the word 'Madras' by the Tamil Nadu Adaptation of Laws Order, 1969 as amended by the Tamil Nadu Adaptation of Laws (Second Amendment) Order, 1969.] Christian Marriages (Second Validation) Act, 1941.

2. Validation of certain irregular marriages, certificates and acts.

- All marriages solemnized, all certificates granted and all acts done by the said Mr. Mayalur Lazarus on and from the 6th day of January 1939 up to and including the 12th day of April 1941, which would be valid if the licence granted to him on the 26th day of July 1932 had not been revoked, shall be deemed to be as valid as if he had held the licence under section 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act, 1872, on and from the 6th day of January 1939 and up to and including the 12th day of April 1941; and no such marriage, certificate or act shall be deemed to be invalid by reason only of the fact that the said licence was revoked.

3. Validation of records of the said irregular marriages.

- Certificates of marriages validated by section 2 and register-books and certified copies of true and duly authenticated extracts therefrom deposited in compliance with the provisions of the Indian Christian Marriage Act, 1872, shall, in so far as the register-books and extracts relate to such marriages, be received as evidence of such marriages as if such marriages had been duly solemnized under the said Act.