

Territorial Changes Made By The Reorganisation Act FORMATION OF NEW STATES

The Indian Union will consist from 1st November of thirteen Part "A" States, one Part "B" State and five Part "C" States.

The territorial changes and formation of new States were laid down by the States Reorganisation Act, which received the assent of the President on 31st August 1956.

The thirteen Part "A" States are as follows: Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Bombay, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Madras, Mysore, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal. The only Part "B" State is Jammu and Kashmir, while Part "C" States are Delhi, Himachal Pradesh, Manipur, Tripura and the Laccadive, Minicoy and Amindivi Islands.

The changes made by the Act are as follows:—

ANDHRA: (1) As from the appointed day, there shall be added to the State of Andhra the territories comprised in—(a) the districts of Hyderabad, Medak, Nizamabad, Karimnagar, Warangal, Khammam, Nalgonda and Mahbubnagar; (b) Alam-pur and Gadwal taluks of Raichur district, and Kodangal taluk of Gulbarga district; (c) Tandur taluk of Gulbarga district; (d) Zahirabad taluk (except Nirma circle), Nyalkal circle of Bidar taluk and Narayankhed taluk of Bidar district; (e) Bichkonda and Jukkal circles of Deglur taluk of Nanded district; (f) Mudhol, Phiansa and Kuber circles of Mudhol taluk of Nanded district; and (g) Adilabad district except Islapur circle of Boath taluk, Kinwat taluk and Rajura taluk; and thereupon the said territories shall cease to form part of the existing State of Hyderabad and the State of Andhra shall be known as the State of Andhra Pradesh.

State Of Madras

The territories referred to in clauses (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of sub-section (1) shall be included in, and become part of, Mahbubnagar, Hyderabad, Medak, Nizamabad and Adilabad districts, respectively, in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

MADRAS: As from the appointed day, there shall be added to the State of Madras the territories comprised in the Agastheeswaram, Thovala, Kalkulam and Vilavancode taluks of Travandrum district and the Shencottah taluk of Quilon district; and thereupon—(a) the said territories shall cease to form part of the existing State of Travancore-Cochin; (b) the territories comprised in the Agastheeswaram, Thovala, Kalkulam and Vilavancode taluks shall form a separate district to be known as Kanya Kumari district in the State of Madras; and (c) the territories comprised in the Shencottah taluk shall be included in, and become part of, Tirunelveli district in the State of Madras.

KERALA: (1) As from the appointed day, there shall be formed a new Part A State to be known as the State of Kerala comprising the following territories, namely:—(a) the territories of the existing State of Travancore-Cochin, excluding the territories transferred to the State of Madras by section 4; and (b) the territories comprised in—(i) Malabar district, excluding the islands of Laccadive and Minicoy, and (ii) Kasaragod taluk of South Kanara district;

Many territorial changes have been made by the States Reorganisation Act, as described in this article.

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and thereupon the said territories shall cease to form part of the States of Travancore-Cochin and Madras, respectively. (2) The territories specified in clause (b) of sub-section (1) shall form a separate district to be known as Malabar district in the State of Kerala.

Laccadive, Minicoy and Amindivi Islands

6. As from the appointed day, there shall be formed a new Part C State to be known as the Laccadive, Minicoy and Amindivi Islands comprising the Laccadive and Minicoy Islands in the Malabar district and the Amindivi Islands in the South Kanara district; and thereupon the said Islands shall cease to form part of the existing State of Madras.

MYSORE: (1) As from the appointed day, there shall be formed a new Part A State to be known as the State of Mysore comprising the following territories, namely:—(a) the territories of the existing State of Mysore; (b) Belgaum district except Chandgad taluka and Bijapur, Dharwar and Kanara districts, in the existing State of Bombay; (c) Gulbarga district except Kodangal and Tandur taluks, Raichur district except Alam-pur and Gadwal taluks, and Bidar district except Ahmadpur, Nilanga and Udgir taluks and the portions specified in clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 3, in the existing State of Hyderabad; (d) South Kanara district except Kasaragod taluk and Amindivi Islands, and Kollegal taluk of Coimbatore district, in the State of Madras; and (e) the territories of the existing State of Coorg; and thereupon the said territories shall cease to form part of the said existing States of Mysore, Bombay, Hyderabad, Madras and Coorg, respectively. (2) The territory comprised in the existing State of Coorg shall form a separate district to be known as Coorg district, and the said Kollegal taluk shall be included in, and become part of, Mysore district, in the new State of Mysore.

BOMBAY: (1) As from the appointed day, there shall be formed a new Part A State to be known as the State of Bombay comprising the following territories, namely:—(a) the territories of the existing State of Bombay, excluding—(i) Bijapur, Dharwar and Kanara districts and Belgaum district except Chandgad taluka and (ii) Abu Road taluka of Banaskantha district; (b) Aurangabad, Parbhani, Bhil and Osmanabad districts, Ahmedpur, Nilanga and Udgir taluks of Bidar district, Nanded district (except Bichkonda and Jukkal circles of Deglur taluk and Mudhol, Bhiansa and Kuber circles of Mudhol taluk) and Islapur circle of Boath taluk, Kinwat taluk and Rajura taluk of Adilabad district, in the existing State of Hyderabad; (c) Buldana, Akola, Amravati, Yeotmal, Wardha, Nagpur, Bhandara and Chanda districts

mental matters as may, in the opinion of the Central Government, be necessary to give effect to the provisions of sub-section (3).

(5) The State of Andhra Pradesh shall be liable to pay to each of the new States of Mysore and Bombay on account of its share of the paid-up capital of the Financial Corporation for the existing State of Hyderabad such amount as the Central Government may, by order, determine.

(6) As from the appointed day, the Financial Corporations established under the State Financial Corporations Act, 1951, for the existing States of Bombay and Saurashtra shall stand amalgamated and shall be deemed to be the Financial Corporation established under the said Act for the new State of Bombay.

(7) After consulting the Governments of the existing States of Bombay and Saurashtra, the Central Government may, before the appointed day, by notified order, provide for the constitu-

tion of the Board of Directors of the Financial Corporation for the new State of Bombay as may, in the opinion of the Central Government, be necessary to give effect to the provisions of sub-section (6).

(8) The new State of Bombay shall be liable to pay to each of the new States of Mysore and Rajasthan on account of its share of the paid-up capital of the Financial Corporation for the existing State of Bombay such amount as the Central Government may, by order, determine.

As from the appointed day, the Madras Industrial Investment Corporation constituted for the existing State of Madras shall be deemed to have been constituted for that State with its area as altered by the provisions of the Act. The State of Madras shall be liable to pay to each of the new States of Kerala and Mysore on account of its share of the paid-up capital of the said Corporation such amount as the Central Government may by order determine.

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Madhya Pradesh: (1) As from the appointed day, there shall be formed a new Part A State to be known as the State of Madhya Pradesh comprising the following territories, namely:—(a) the territories of the existing State of Madhya Pradesh, except the districts mentioned in clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 8; (b) the territories of the existing State of Madhya Bharat, except Sunel tappa of Bhanpura tahsil of Mandasaur district; (c) Sironj sub-division of Kotah district in the existing State of Rajasthan; (d) the territories of the existing State of Bhopal; and (e) the territories of the existing State of Vindhya Pradesh; and thereupon the said territories shall cease to form part of the existing States of Madhya Pradesh, Madhya Bharat, Rajasthan, Bhopal and Vindhya Pradesh, respectively. (2) The said Sironj sub-division shall be included in, and become part of, Bhilsa district in the new State of Madhya Pradesh.

Rajasthan: (1) As from the appointed day, there shall be formed a new Part A State to be known as the State of Rajasthan comprising the following territories, namely:—(a) the territories of the existing State of Rajasthan, except Sironj sub-division of Kotah district; (b) the territories of the existing State of Ajmer; (c) Abu Road taluka of Banaskantha district in the existing State of Bombay; and (d) Sunel tappa of Bhanpura tahsil of Mandasaur district in the existing State of Madhya Bharat; and thereupon the said territories shall cease to form part of the said States of Rajasthan, Ajmer, Bombay and Madhya Bharat, respectively. (2) The territories comprised in the existing State of Ajmer shall form a separate district to be known as Ajmer district, and the territories referred to in clauses (c) and (d) of sub-section (1) shall be included in, and become part of, Sirohi and Jhalawar districts, respectively, in the new State of Rajasthan.

Punjab: As from the appointed day, there shall be formed a new Part A State to be known as the State of Punjab comprising the following territories, namely:—(a) the territories of the existing State of Punjab; and (b) the territories of the existing State of Patiala and East Punjab States Union; and thereupon the said territories shall cease to form part of the said existing States of Punjab and Patiala and East Punjab States Union, respectively.

In the case of other States, there have been no territorial changes except in the case of Bihar and West Bengal. In the case of these two States, a special Act was passed by Parliament, transferring two areas from Bihar, one in the North and the other in the South, to West Bengal.

Financial Corporations

The Act contains provisions as to certain corporations and Inter-State agreements and arrangements, referring to Financial Corporations, the Act lays down:—

(1) As from the appointed day, the Financial Corporations established under the State Financial Corporations Act, 1951, for the existing States of Madhya Bharat, Punjab, Rajasthan and Travancore-Cochin shall be deemed to be the Financial Corporations established under the said Act for the new States of Madhya Pradesh, Punjab, Rajasthan and Kerala, respectively.

(2) The States of Kerala, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan shall be liable to pay to the States of Madras, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh, respectively, on account of the share of each of the last-named States in the paid-up capital of the Financial Corporations for the existing States of Travancore-Cochin, Madhya Bharat and Rajasthan, respectively, such amount as the Central Government may by order determine.

(3) As from the appointed day, the Financial Corporations established under the State Financial Corporations Act, 1951, for the existing States of Andhra and Hyderabad shall stand amalgamated and shall be deemed to be Financial Corporation established under the said Act for the State of Andhra Pradesh.

(4) After consulting the Governments of the existing States of Andhra and Hyderabad, the Central Government may, before the appointed day, by notified order, provide for the constitution of the Board of Directors of the Financial Corporation for the State of Andhra Pradesh and for such consequential, incidental and supple-