

(1B) The presence of the applicant seeking anticipatory bail shall be obligatory at the time of final hearing of the application and passing of final order by the Court, if on an application made to it by the Public Prosecutor, the Court considers such presence necessary in the interest of justice.”.

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**42. Amendment of the First Schedule.**—In the First Schedule to the principal Act, under the heading “I.—OFFENCES UNDER THE INDIAN PENAL CODE”,—

(a) after the entries relating to section 153A, the following entries shall be inserted, namely:—

1	2	3	4	5	6
“153AA	Knowingly carrying arms in any procession or organising or holding or taking part in any mass drill or mass training with arms	Imprisonment for 6 months and fine of 2,000 rupees	Ditto	Ditto	Any Magistrate.”;

(b) in the 6th column, in the entries relating to section 153B, for the word “Ditto”, the words “Magistrate of the first class” shall be substituted;

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(f) in the 5th column, in the entries relating to—

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(iii) section 324, for the word “Ditto”, the word “Non-bailable” shall be substituted;

(iv) section 325, for the word “Ditto”, the word “Bailable” shall be substituted.

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**44. Amendment of Act 45 of 1860.**—In the Indian Penal Code,—

(a) after section 153A, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

**‘153AA. Punishment for knowingly carrying arms in any procession or organising, or holding or taking part in any mass drill or mass training with arms.**—Whoever knowingly carries arms in any procession or organizes or holds or takes part in any mass drill or mass training with arms in any public place in contravention of any public notice or order issued or made under section 144A of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974) shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months and with fine which may extend to two thousand rupees.

*Explanation.*—”Arms” means articles of any description designed or adapted as weapons for offence or defence and includes fire arms, sharp edged weapons, lathis, *dandas* and sticks.’.

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