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Andhra Pradesh (Andhra Area) Town-Planning Act, 1920(Act No. 7 of 1920)Last Updated 20th January, 2020[Dated 7th September, 1920]Whereas it is expedient that the development of towns preamble, should be regulated to secure to their present and future inhabitants sanitary conditions, amenity and convenience. And Whereas the previous sanction of the Governor General required by section 79, sub-section (2) of the Government of India Act, 1915, has been obtained to the passing of this Act, It is hereby enacted as follows:-Chapter-I Preliminary

### 1.

(1)This Act may be called the Andhra Pradesh short, title and extent (Andhra Area) Town-Planning Act, 1920.(2)It shall extend to the whole of the Andhra area of the State of Andhra Pradesh.

### 2.

In this Act, unless there is any thing repugnant in the subject or context-(1)"Chairman" means The Chairman of the Municipal Council in municipalities.(2)"Director" means the Director of Town Planning appointed under this Act.(3)"Municipality" means any local area in which (the Andhra Pradesh (Andhra area Act V of 1920, District Municipalities Act, 1920) is in force.(4)"Owner" includes the person for the time being receiving, or entitled to receive, whether on his own account or as agent, trustee, guardian, manager or receiver for another person, or for any religious or charitable purpose, the rents or profits of the property in connection with which the word is used.(5)"Plot" means a continuous portion of land held in one ownership other than land used, allotted or reserved for any public or municipal purpose.(6)"Prescribed" means prescribed by rules made under this Act.(7)"Reconstituted plot" means a plot which is in any way altered by the making of a town-planning scheme otherwise than by the severance of land used, allotted or reserved for any public or municipal purpose.(8)"Responsible authority" means "the authority or person, who is

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specified in a scheme as responsible for carrying out or enforcing the observance of all or any of the provisions of the scheme or for enforcing the execution of any works which under the scheme are to be executed by any authority, owner, or other person.(9)"Scheme" means a town -planning scheme and includes a plan relating to a town- planning scheme.(10)"Town-planning" includes town-improvement.

# **Chapter II Town-Planning Schemes**

### 4.

A Town planning scheme may provide for all or any of the following matters:-(a)the laying out or relaying out of land, either vacant or already built upon as building sites or for any of the purposes mentioned in this section.(b)The construction, diversion, extension, alteration, improvement or closure of streets, roads and communications;(c)The construction alteration removal (or) demolition of buildings bridges and other structures.(d) The acquisition by purchase, exchange or otherwise, of any land (or other immovable property) within the area included in the scheme whether required immediately. Or not.(e)The redistribution of boundaries and the reconstitution of plots belonging to owners of property comprised in the scheme; (f) The disposal by sale, exchange, lease, or otherwise of land acquired or owned by the council;(g)Transport facilities.(h)Water-supply(i)Lighting;(j)Drainage inclusive of sewerage and of surface draining and sewage disposal;(k)The allotment or reservation of land for streets, roads, squares, houses buildings for religious and charitable purposes, open spaces, gardens, recreation grounds, schools, markets, shops, factories, hospitals, dispensaries, Government and municipal buildings and public purposes of all kinds;(l)Construction of houses;(m)The preservation of objects and buildings ofArchaeological or historic interest or of natural beauty or actually used for religious purposes or regarded by the public with special religious veneration; (n) the imposition of conditions and restrictions in regard to the character, number architectural features and height of buildings allowed in specified areas, and the purposes to which buildings or specified areas may or may not be appropriated and the provision and maintenance of sufficient open space about buildings;(o)the suspension, (restriction or modification) so far as may be necessary for the proper carrying out of the scheme, of any provision in Andhra Pradesh (Andhra area) District Municipalities Act, 1920) or (the Andhra Pradesh (Andhra area) District Boards Act, 1920 (Act XIV of 1920) or in any rule, by law or regulation made under the said Acts and in force in the area included in the scheme.(p)The suspension, restriction or modification, so far as may be necessary for the proper carrying out of the scheme, of any provision in (the Andhra Pradesh) (Andhra area) Estates Land Act, 1908) Act of 1908, affecting the conversion of holdings or portions thereof into building land in the area included in the scheme: Explanation, The word 'holding' in this clause shall have the same meaning as in (the Andhra Pradesh (Andhra area) Estates Land Act, 1908.)(q) the advance to the owners of land or buildings comprised with in the scheme, upon such terms and conditions as may be provided by the scheme, of the whole or part of the amount required for the erection of buildings or for the carrying out of the works, alterations or improvements in accordance with the scheme):(r)such other matters not inconsistent with the objects of this Act as may be prescribed.(1)The size and shape of every

reconstituted plot shall be so determined as to render it so far as may be suitable for building purposes. (2) In order to render original plots more suitable for building purposes, the scheme may contain proposals. to form a reconstituted plot by the alteration of the boundaries of an original plots. To provide with the consent of the owners that two or more original plots, each of which is held in ownership in severalty or in joint ownership, shall thereafter, with or without alteration of boundaries be held in ownership in common as a reconstituted plot; To allot a plot to any owner dispossessed of land in furtherance of the scheme andto transfer the ownership of a plot from one person to another.

### Chapter III

### Making, Variation and Revocation of Schemes and their Effect

### 7.

(1)The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may appoint a person to be Director of Town-Planning for the state and may assign to him from time to time such salary and establishment as they think fit.(2)The cost of such officer and his establishment shall be paid out of the revenues of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.].Municipal councils shall consult the Director on such matters relating to town-planning and in such manner as may be prescribed. If any difference arises between the Director and a council on any matter so prescribed, it shall be referred to the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] whose decision shall be final.

### 8.

(1)Every Municipal council constituted prior to the 1st day of April, 1930 shall not later than the 31st day of March, 1934 and every municipal council constituted after the 1st day of April, 1930 shall, not later than four years from the date of the constitution of such council prepare, publish and submit for the sanction of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] a general town Planning scheme in respect of all land within the municipality and in its vicinity unless the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] order otherwise.(2)Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1) the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.], may , after making such enquiry as they may deem necessary by notification in the (official Gazette) direct any municipal council to prepare, publish and submit for their sanction before an appointed date a general town-planning scheme under this section for an

area specified in such notification.(3)A general town-Planning scheme shall determine the lines on which the improvement and development of the area within the municipality and in this vicinity shall proceed and shall provide for such of the matters referred to in section 4 and to such extent as may be prescribed.

### 9.

(1)A municipal council may, by resolution decide to prepare a scheme in respect of any land, within the municipal area, or in its vicinity outside such area, or to adopt with or without modifications a draft scheme proposed by all or any of the owners of any such land. The Chairman shall then have a plan prepared showing the land proposed to be included in the scheme, the surrounding lands and any existing streets.(2)No town-planning scheme made or adopted by a municipal council shall include any area outside its limits without the concurrence of the municipal council or of the district board, as the case may be, having jurisdiction over such area: Provided that if the municipal council or district board concerned omits, for four months from the date of receipt of the communication requesting such concurrence, to send a final reply thereto, such concurrence shall be deemed to have been given. Provided (further) that, where such concurrence is refused, the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may, after considering the objections of such council or district board overrule them and permit such area to be included in the scheme.(3)The decision of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] as to whether any land is in the vicinity of a municipal area shall be final.

### 10.

The resolution under section 9 shall be published by notification in the prescribed manner by the chairman, and such notification shall state that a copy of the plan is kept, for the inspection of the public at all reasonable hours at the municipal office.

### 11.

(1)If the resolution is to make a scheme, the municipal council shall, within twelve months from the date of the notification under section 10, or within such further period, not exceeding twelve months, as the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may allow, and after consulting, in the prescribed manner, the owners of lands and buildings in the area affected, prepare, and publish a draft scheme.(2)If the resolution is to adopt a draft scheme proposed by owners, the council shall, without delay publish such scheme.

### 12.

Notwithstanding anything contained in (Section 9 to 11) the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may; in respect of any municipality, after making such inquiry as they may deem necessary, by notification in the (Official Gazette) required the council, before a fixed date, (to prepare, publish and submit for their sanction a draft scheme) as respects any land in regard to which a town planning scheme may be made.

### 13.

(1) Every draft scheme shall contain the following particulars:-(a) a plan showing the lines of existing and proposed streets:(b)the ownership of all lands and buildings in the area to which the scheme relates.(c)The area of all such lands whether public or private(d)A full description of all details of the scheme such clauses of section 4 as may be applicable.(e)an estimate of the cost of the scheme.(g)regulations for enforcing or carrying out the provisions of the scheme and defining the responsible authority and the period for which such responsible authority shall function.(h)any other particulars or plans that may be prescribed or specially required by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.].(2) every draft scheme which includes a housing scheme shall also contain the following particulars, namely:-(i)the approximate number and the nature of the houses to be provided by the 'responsible authority;(ii)the approximate quantity of land to be acquired and the localities in which land is acquired;(iii)the average number of houses per acre; and(iv)all matters incidental to the housing scheme.(3)A draft scheme may provide that any person who commits or knowingly permits a breach of any specified provision of the scheme, or who neglects or fails to comply with any such provision, shall, on conviction, be punishable under section 44-B.

### 14.

(1)if within sixty days from the date of the publication of a draft scheme any person affected by such scheme communicates in writing any objection or suggestion relating thereto the council shall consider such objection or suggestion and may modify the scheme as it thinks fit, sanction of scheme by State Government.(2)The scheme as passed or adopted by the council together with all written objections and suggestions shall thereupon be submitted to the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] for sanction (and the fact of such submission shall be published in the prescribed manner).(3)The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may after considering the objections and suggestion, if any, and making such inquiry as they think fit, sanction the scheme, with or without modifications, or may refuse to sanction the scheme or may return the scheme to the council for re-consideration:Provided that unless a modification is, in the opinion of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local

Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] verbal or inconsequential, the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] shall not sanction the scheme with such modification without the consent of the council. Provided further that when a scheme is returned to the council for reconsideration, the councils shall resubmit it to the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] within three months from the date of its receipt and the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may then deal with the scheme in the manner mentioned in this sub-section. Provided further that if the council fails to resubmit the scheme within the time specified in the forgoing provision the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were subs for the words 'Local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For 'Provincial' by the A.O.1950.] may in relation to the scheme, pass such orders as they may deem fit.(4)when a scheme returned for reconsideration is modified by the council the scheme as so modified shall before resubmission to the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] for sanction, be published and passed by the council in the same manner as a draft scheme.(a)in cases in which the modification involves the inclusion in or exclusion from the scheme of any land or the acquisition of any land not originally proposed to be acquired, and(b)in every other case in which the modification is in the opinion of the council or of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] of sufficient importance to require the following of this procedure. (5) The sanction of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] to a scheme under sub-section (3) shall be Published by notification in the (Official Gazette) and such notification shall state at what place and time the scheme will be open to the inspection of the public. (6) A notification published under sub-section (5) shall be conclusive evidence that the scheme has been duly made and sanctioned. The scheme shall have effect from the date of publication of such notification and the execution of the scheme shall be commenced forthwith. Provided that, where the scheme so provides the execution of the scheme or any part thereof may be deferred until such time as may be fixed in the scheme.

### 15. Variation on revocation of scheme.

(1)A town planning scheme sanctioned under section 14 may at any time be varied or variation on revocation of scheme revoked by a subsequent scheme, published and sanctioned in accordance with this Act.Provided that the municipal council shall be competent to modify a scheme after it has been sanctioned by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] under section 14 by an agreement entered into with the persons interested in the scheme and with the concurrence of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial

Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.].(2)(a)The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may, at any time, by notification in the (Official Gazette), vary or revoke a scheme sanctioned under section 14.(c)Before issuing such notification the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] shall publish in the prescribed manner a draft of such notification together with a notice, specifying a date on or after which such draft will be taken into consideration and shall consider any objection or suggestion which may be received in respect of such draft from the council or any person affected by the scheme before the date so specified.

### 16. Intimation of compensation payable to person affected by variation on revocation of scheme.

- If at any time after the day on which a scheme, has come into force such scheme is varied or revoked any person who has incurred expenditure for the purpose of complying with such scheme shall be entitled to receive compensation from the municipal council in so far as, by reason of the variation or revocation of such scheme, such expenditure has ceased to be in any way beneficial to him.

### 17. Permission to be taken for construction etc. after publication of draft scheme.

- After the publication of a notification under section 10(1), or section 12 no person shall erect, or proceed with, any building or work on or enter into or carry out a contract in respect of, land within the area included in the scheme, unless he has applied for, (and obtained permission, in cases where a scheme has not been sanctioned, from the municipal council, and in other cases, from a responsible authority. Provided that, if the council [or the responsible authority] [Inserted By section 15 (iii) Madras Act-II of 1930.] omits for three months from the date of receipt of such application, to communicate to the applicant any orders thereon, it shall be deemed to have granted the permission.

### 18. Obligation on owners to comply with scheme after sanctio.

- From the date of the notification of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were subs for the words 'Local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For 'Provincial' by the A.O.1950.] sanctioning a scheme under section 14, all owners of lands and buildings in the area affected by the scheme who propose to construct or reconstruct or in any way alter or add to buildings shall conform in every particular with the requirements of such scheme and no building shall be constructed or reconstructed in any area in which building is expressly forbidden in the scheme, or which is reserved in the scheme for any purpose incompatible with building.

### 19. Power of responsible authority to enforce scheme.

(1)On and after the day on which the scheme comes into force, the (responsible authority) may make a provisional order requiring an owner:-(a)to remove, pull down, or alter any building or other work in the area included in the scheme which is such as to contravene the scheme, or in the erection or carrying out of which any provision of the scheme has not been complied with or(b)to execute within a specified period any work which it is the owner's duty to execute under the scheme where the [responsible authority] [Substituted For the word 'Chairman' by section 16 (i) of Madras Act II of 1930.] is of opinion that delay in the execution of the work would prejudice the efficient operation of the scheme.(2) The [responsible authority] [Substituted For the word 'Chairman' by section 16 (i) of Madras Act II of 1930.] shall serve a copy of the provisional order made under sub-section (1) on the owner, together with a notice requiring him to show cause, within a reasonable time to be specified in such notice, why the order should not be confirmed.(3)[If] [Substituted For the original by Sub-section section 16 (ii) by section 16 (i) of Madras Act II of 1930.] the owner fails to show cause to the satisfaction of the responsible authority, the responsible authority may confirm the order granting such further period as it may deem fit, to execute the work and such order shall be communicated to and be binding on the owner and may be enforced. The expenses of enforcement may be recovered in the prescribed manner. An appeal shall lie to the [State Government] [The Words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'Local Government' by the A.O. 1937 and the word 'State' Was Substituted For 'Provincial by the A. 1950.] against the order of the responsible authority and their decision shall be final).

### **Chapter IV**

## Compensation for Injurious Affection and Contribution for Betterment.

### 20. Right to compensation.

- Any person whose property is injuriously affected by any refusal to grant the permission applied for under section 17 or by the making of a town-planning scheme shall, if he makes a claim for the purpose within the time (if any) limited by the scheme, Not being less than three months after the date of publication of a notification by the ( 1 State Government) sanctioning the scheme under section 14, be entitled to obtain compensation in respect thereof from the municipal council.

### 21. No right to compensation for building etc. subsequent to 1st notification.

- A person shall not be entitled to obtain compensation under section 20 on account of any building erected on, or contract made, or other thing done, with respect to, land included in scheme, after the date of the publication of the notification under section 10 or section 12:Provided that this provision shall not apply to any building erected, contract made or other thing done in accordance with a permission granted under section 17.

### 22. Exclusion of limitation of compensation of certain case.

(1)Where property is alleged to be injuriously affected by reason of any provisions contained in a town-planning scheme, no compensation shall be paid in respect thereof, if or in so far as the provisions are such as would have been enforceable without compensation under any law, rule or by-law at the time in force.(2)Property shall not be deemed to be injuriously affected by reason of any provisions inserted in a scheme, which impose any conditions or restrictions in regard to any of the matters specified in section 4, clause (m) or clause (n).(3)Where a person is entitled to compensation under this Act in respect of any matter or thing and he would be entitled to compensation in respect of the same matter or thing under any other Act, he shall not be entitled to compensation in respect of that matter or thing under both the Acts, nor shall he be entitled to any larger compensation under this Act than he would be entitled to under the other Act.

### 22A.

(1) The municipal council may within three months from the date of an ward of compensation in respect of property injuriously affected, make an application to the [State Government] [The words 'provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'Local Government' by the A.O. 1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For 'Provincial' by the A.O.1950.] to sanction the withdrawal or modification of all or any of the provisions of the scheme which gave rise to the claim for compensation and give notice of such application to the owner of such property.(2)If the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'Local Government 'by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For provincial by the A.O. 1950.] accord such sanction, the award of compensation shall stand cancelled, and the municipal council shall pay the costs, if any, awarded by the arbitrator in connection with the claim for compensation.(3)Nothing contained in this section shall affect the right of the owner to make a fresh claim for compensation in respect of the modified scheme sanctioned by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] under sub-section (2).(4)No award of compensation in respect of property injuriously affected shall be enforceable within three months from the date thereof, or if notice has been given under sub-section (1), pending the orders of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'Local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For provincial by the A.O. 1950.] on the application made under the same sub-section).

### 23. Power to betterment contribution.

- Where by the making of any town-planning scheme [the value of any property has increased or is likely to increase] [Substituted For the words 'Any property is increased in value' by section 20 of Madras Act-II of 1930.] the municipal council, if it makes a claim for the purpose within the time (if any) limited by the scheme [not being less than three months] [Substituted For the words 'Not being later than six months' by section 20 Madras Act-II of 1930.] after the date of publication of a notification of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'Local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For provincial by

the A.O. 1950.] sanctioning a scheme under section 14, shall be entitled to recover from the owner of such property an annual betterment contribution for such term of years and at such uniform percentage of the increase in value not exceeding ten per centum as may be fixed in the scheme:Provided that the aggregate amount of the contributions so recovered shall not exceed one-half of the maximum increase in value during the aforesaid term of years as Ascertained under the next following section.

### 24. Betterment contribution how calculate.

- The betterment contribution shall be levied according to the following principles:-(a)in respect of each property on which the contribution may be levied under section 23, its market value at the date of the publication of the notification under section 10 or section 12, shall be estimated without reference to the improvements contemplated in the scheme.(b)In each of the financial years following that in which the scheme takes effect under section 14, (2 sub-section (6) the market value of each such property on the first day of April of that year shall be estimated by the chairman.(c)If, in any financial year, the market value estimated under clause (b) does not exceed that estimated under clause (a), no betterment contribution shall be levied for that year.(d)If, in any financial year, the estimated market value under clause (b) exceeds that under clause (a) the municipal council shall levy on the difference a betterment contribution according to the percentage fixed in the scheme:Provided that in estimating the market value of land under clause (a) or clause (b) the value of buildings or other works erected or in the course of erection on such land shall not be taken into consideration.

### 25. Assessment and collection of betterment contribution.

(1) The betterment contribution shall be a first charge on the property on which it is due, subject to the prior payment of land revenue, if any, due to the Government thereon, and shall be paid in half-yearly installments of one-half of the amount fixed for the year.

2. (a) The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may make rules for the assessment and collection of the betterment contribution, and subject to such rules, (i) the chairman shall have the same powers and shall adopt the same procedure for the assessment and collection of the betterment contribution as he has for the assessment and collection of the property tax, (ii) persons affected shall have the same right to receive notice of assessment and to object to the assessment and to appeal in respect thereof as they have in respect of the property tax, and (iii) decisions on appeal shall to the same extent be final and conclusive and

(b)lands and buildings exempt from the property tax shall also be exempt from any betterment contribution.

### 26. Option of objecting when to require council to acquire his property.

(1)if the owner of any property, separately registered in the municipal assessment books and assessed to a betterment contribution in any particular year, objects to the amount of such contribution on the ground that the market value estimated under clause (b) of section 24 is excessive, he shall state the market value which, he contents, is correct, and may, within thirty days of the date on which the determination of his objection or appeal becomes final, by written notice require the municipal council to acquire the property together with any buildings or other works that may exist thereon.(2)The council shall thereupon either acquire the property or accept the market value as stated by the owner and revise its assessment of the betterment contribution in accordance therewith.(3)In case the council elects to acquire the property the compensation payable therefor shall be determined [according to the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894, (Central act of 1894) or according to those provisions as modified by sections 34 and 35, as the case may require.] [Substituted For the words 'according to the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894, as modified by Chapter VII of this Act' by section 2 of Madras Act, IV of 1934.]Provided that the compensation payable for the property, apart from the buildings or other works thereon, shall not exceed the market value stated by the owner under sub-section (1).

# Chapter V The Arbitrator

## 27. [Application for sanction for individual modification of the scheme. [Substituted for original section by section 22 of Madras Act II 1930.]

(1) After a scheme has been sanctioned the [State Government] may and if so required by the council or any person interested in the scheme shall appoint an arbitrator with sufficient establishment to discharge all or any of the following duties:-(a)to pass such orders as may be required under clauses (a) to (d) of sub-section (2) of section 5.(b)to define, and, where necessary, to demarcate or cause the demarcation of, the reconstituted plots or the areas allotted to, or reserved for, the purposes mentioned in clause (k) of section 4.(c) to decide, in reference to the claims made whether any property is injuriously affected within the meaning of section 20, and award the compensation, if any, to be paid to the owner concerned in accordance with the provisions contained in Chapter IV and(d)to determine in reference to the claims made the properties which are liable to the betterment contribution under section 23 and estimate and record their market value as the date of the notification under section 10 or section 12, as the case may be, in accordance with the provisions of clause (a) of section 24.(2) The decision of the arbitrator under clauses (a) and (b) of sub-section (1) shall be read as part of the scheme sanctioned under section 14 and shall be final and binding on all persons: Provided that where any such decision is in Conflict with any provision in the scheme it shall require the approval of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted

For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] and on such approval being given, Shall be deemed, to the extent mentioned in such decision, to have valid the sanctioned scheme.]

### 28. State to appoint.

(1)The arbitrator shall give notice of his proceedings and conduct them in the prescribed manner and communicate his decision to the parties concerned.(2)An arbitrator shall have all the powers of a Civil Court under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, (Central act of 1908) for the purpose of taking evidence on oath and of enforcing the attendance of witnesses and compelling the production of documents and material objects.(3)The costs of and incident to all proceedings before the arbitrator shall be in his discretion and the arbitrator shall have full power to determine by whom or out of what property and to what extent such costs are to be paid and to give all necessary directions for the purpose aforesaid.

### 29. Appeal.

(1) Any party aggrieved by any decision of the arbitrator under clause (c) or clause (d) of subsection (1) of section 27 may within three months from the date of the communication of such decision appeal to the District Judge concerned.(2) The decision of the arbitrator under clause (c) or clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 27 and, when an appeal has been preferred under sub-section (1) the decision on such appeal shall be read as part of the scheme sanctioned under section 14 and shall be final and binding on all persons.

# Chapter VI Finance

### 30.

(1)The receipts of a municipal council under this Act or any town-planning scheme made thereunder shall form a separate town planning fund and all expenditure under This act or any town - planning scheme thereunder shall be defrayed out of such fund. No portion of the fund shall, except with the sanction of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] be expended for purposes not provided for by this Act.(2)The moneys required, in the first instance, to establish such fund, and any deficiency from time to time occurring in such fund by reason of the excess of expenditure over receipts shall, subject to such rules as the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may frame in this behalf, be supplied out of the general municipal fund or out of moneys borrowed in pursuance of this Act.(3)Separate accounts shall be maintained by each municipal council for its town-planning fund.

### 31.

A municipal council, taking action under this act, shall be deemed to be a local authority as defined in the Local Authorities Loans Act, 1914 for the purpose of borrowing money under the provisions of that Act, and the making and execution of a Town-planning scheme shall be deemed to be a work which such local authority is legally authorised to carry out.

# **Chapter VII Land Acquisition**

### 33.

Immovable property required for the purposes of a town-planning schemes shall be deemed to be land needed for a public purpose within the meaning of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894, [and may be acquired] [Subs for the words 'and may be acquired under the said Act modified in the manner provide in this chapter' by section 3 of Madras Act IV of 1934.](a)under the said Act, or(b)under the said Act as modified in the manner hereinafter provided in this chapter.

### 34.

In cases falling under clause (b) of section 33, a notification under section 14 shall, notwithstanding any thing contained in the Land Acquisition Act 1894, operate in respect of any land for the purposes of the scheme as a declaration under section 6 of the said Act, and no further declaration shall be necessary, but it shall not be incumbent on the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] or officer authorised in that behalf, to take immediate steps for the acquisition of such land. Provided that if the land is not acquired within three years from the date of the notification, it shall cease to have effect as a declaration under section 6 of the Land acquisition Act, 1894.

### 35.

(1)The provisions of sections 15, 23 and 24 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 shall have no application (In cases falling under clause (b) of section 33).(2)(in such cases, the Collector and the Court shall in determining the amount of compensation to be awarded for the land acquired, take into consideration.).(a)the market value of the land at the date of publication of the notification under section 10 or section 12, as the case may be.(b)the damage sustained by the person interested by reason of the taking of any standing crops or trees which may be on the land at the time of the collector's taking possession thereof.(c)the damage (if any) sustained by the person interested, at the time of the Collector's taking possession of the land, by reason of severing such land from his other land or by reason of the acquisition injuriously affecting his other property movable or Immovable in any other manner, or his, earnings provided that this clause shall not apply in the case of offensive

industries. Which must, under the provisions of the scheme, be removed. (d) if in consequence of the acquisition of the land, the person interested in compelled to change his residence or place of business, the reasonable expenses (if any) incidental to such change provided that this clause shall not apply in the case of offensive industries, which must, under the provisions of the scheme, be removed.(3)(But the Collector and the court shall not, in cases falling under clause (b) of section 33) take into consideration.(a) the degree of urgency which has led to the acquisition or its compulsory character;(b)any disinclination of the person interested to part with the land acquired.(c)Any damage sustained by him, which, if caused by a private person, would not render such person liable to a suit.(d)Any damage which is likely to be caused to the land acquired, after the date of publication of the notification under section 10, or section 12, as the case may be, by or in consequence of the use to which it will be put.(e)Any increase to the value of the land acquired likely to accrue from the use to which it will be put when acquired. (f) Any outlay or improvements on the land acquired, commenced, made or effected after the date of publication of the notifications referred to in clause (d) unless they are covered by a permission obtained under section 17.(g) any outlay or improvements on, or disposal of, the land acquired which, having regard to the time at which they were made and other circumstances, appear to have been commenced, made effected with intent to obtain increased compensation. (h) the special suitability or adaptability, if any, of the land for any purpose, if that purpose is one to which it could be applied only in pursuance of statutory powers or for which there is no market apart from the special needs of a particular purchaser or the requirements of a Government department or any local or public authority.(4)(in cases falling under clause (b) of section 33, if the market value of any land) or building is specially high by reason of the use thereof in a manner which could be restrained by any court, or is contrary to law or public policy or is contrary to law or public policy or is detrimental to the health of the inmates of the building or to the public health, the amount of the increased value due to such user shall be disregarded in determining the amount of compensation.

# Chapter VIII Miscellaneous

36. A municipal council shall be competent to make any agreement with any person in respect of any matter which is to be provided for in a town-planning scheme subject to the power of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] to modify or disallow such agreement, and, unless it is otherwise expressly provided therein, such agreement shall take effect on and after the day on which the scheme comes into force.

Provided that if the agreement to modified by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] either party shall have the option of avoiding it if he so elects within the prescribed period.

37. Subject to such rules as the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may make in this behalf, a municipal Council may appoint a special town-planning Committee, composed either wholly of members of the municipal council, or partly of such members and partly of others and may delegate to such committee power to dispose of, (in relation to a particular scheme or to town planning in general) matters of a specified nature which, under the provisions of this Act, are reserved for the decision of the council:

Provided that no person, other than a member of the council, shall be appointed to such committee unless such appointment is supported by not less than one - half of the sanctioned strength of the councilProvided also that the number of persons who are appointed to any committee who are not members of the council shall not exceed one-third of the number of members of such committee.

### 38.

(1) Subject to such rules as the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may make on this behalf, a municipal council, may, and if so required by the (State Government ) shall join with one or more than one other local authority in constituting a joint town-planning committee for the making of a joint town planning scheme or for any purpose connected with town-planning in which they are jointly interested or for which they are jointly responsible.(2)A joint town-planning committee may include persons who are not members of the local authorities concerned but who possess in their opinion special qualifications or represent institutions or corporations interested in the work of the committee. Provided that the number of such persons shall not exceed one-third of the total number of members of the joint committee.(3)(i)The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may make rules to carry out the purposes of sub-section (1).(ii)In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may make rules to provide for -(a)the total number of members of the joint committee:(b)the number of such members who shall be member of the local Authorities concerned and the number of such members who may be outsiders;(c)the qualifications of persons who shall be members of the joint committee or the manner in which they shall be appointed or elected.(d)The qualifications of the person who shall be the chairman of the joint committee or the manner in which he shall be elected or appointed.(e)The term of office of members and chairman(f)The manner in which the committee shall be put in funds and shall account thereof and(g)The procedure of the committee(4)Rules made under sub-section (1) or (3) may be varied or revoked provided all the local authorities concerned assent to such variation or revocation.(5) If any difference of opinion arises between local authorities under any of

the foregoing provisions of this section, it shall be referred to the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] whose decision shall be final.(6)If the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] take action under sub-section (1) they may issue such directions as they may think necessary or desirable in respect of all or any of the matters referred to in sub-section (3).(7)when a joint town-planning committee has been constituted such committee shall exercise the powers and perform the duties of the municipal council and its chairman the powers and duties of a chairman under this Act.(8)Any joint town-Planning scheme made by a joint committee may provide for the execution of the scheme or any part thereof jointly by all or two of more of the local authorities concerned or specify the parts of the scheme to be executed at the expense of the several local authorities in their respective areas and the said specified parts of the scheme shall after the publication of the notification under section 14 have effect in the areas to which they relate as separate schemes.

### 39.

(1)The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may, by notification in the (Official Gazette) extend any provision of this act to any union or other local area in which the (Madras Local Boards Act, 1920) is in force and may declare its extension to be subject to such restrictions and modifications as they think fit.(2)Unless such notification shall otherwise provide, the functions exercisable by a municipal council and the chairman under any provision of this Act so extended, shall, subject to the control of the district board be exercised by the taluk board and its president, respectively.(3)The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may also, by notification in the (Official Gazette) extend to the union or other local area concerned all or any of the provisions of (the Andhra Pradesh (andhra area) District Municipalities Act, 1920) and may declare such extension to be subject to such restrictions and modifications as they think fit.

### 40.

When any union or other local area in which (the Andhra Pradesh (Andhra Area) District Boards Act, 1920 (Act XIV of 1920) is in force is comprised in a town-Planning scheme made or intended to be made by a municipal council, then, notwithstanding anything in the said Act, the municipal authorities shall exercise therein all the powers given to them by this Act or the scheme. And the authorities of the union or local board concerned shall be bound to give all information that may be required by the municipal authorities for the purpose of this Act or the scheme, and to do nothing that will obstruct the lawful exercise of the powers of the municipal authorities thereunder.

### 41.

Any dispute between any two local authorities in regard to any matters arising under any of the provisions of this Act shall, in case of their failure to settle it amicably between themselves, be referred for adjudication to the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] whose decision shall be final.

### 42.

(1) If the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] are satisfied after giving the municipal council an opportunity of explanation and considering any other representations that may be made to them, that a municipal council(a)has failed to take the requisite steps for having a satisfactory town-planning scheme prepared and sanctioned in a case where a town-planning scheme ought to be made, or(b)has failed to adopt any scheme proposed by owners of any land in a case where the scheme ought to be adopted, or(c)has unreasonably refused to consent to any modifications or conditions imposed by the [State Government | [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may, as the case may require, order the municipal council to prepare and submit for the approval of the State Government such a town-planning scheme, or to adopt the scheme, or to adopt the scheme, or to consent to the modifications or conditions so inserted. Provided that, where the municipal council has failed to a adopt a scheme, the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] in of making such an order as aforesaid, may approve the proposed schemeSubject to such modifications or conditions, if any, as the [State Government | [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] think fit, and thereupon the scheme shall have effect as if it had been adopted by the municipal council and sanctioned by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.](2)If the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] are satisfied after giving the municipal council or the responsible authority as the case may be an opportunity of explanation, that a municipal council ( or a responsible authority) has failed to enforce effectively the observance of a scheme which has been finally sanctioned, or any provisions thereof, or to execute any works which under the scheme or this Act the council (or the responsible authority) is required to execute, the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] to do all things necessary for enforcing the observance of the scheme or any provisions there of effectively or for

executing any works which, under the scheme or this Act, the council (or the responsible authority) is required to execute.(3)For the purposes of this section the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] shall have the same powers of calling for records, of causing inspection to be made, and of enforcing their orders or appointing persons to enforcing their orders or appointing persons to enforce them as they have under (sections 34 and 39) of the Andhra Pradesh (Andhra Area) District Municipalities Act, 1920).

### 43.

for the purpose of the making or execution of any town-planning scheme, the Municipal authorities (or the responsible authority) or persons appointed by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] under section 42, sub-section (3) their subordinates and contractors shall have the same power to enter upon, survey and set up makers on property and to do all acts necessary for such purposes, subject to the same conditions and restrictions as they have for other municipal purposes under Part VI of (the Andhra Pradesh (Andhra Area) district municipalities Act, 1920 and persons interfering with the exercise of such powers by the municipal authorities (or the responsible authority) or persons appointed by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] their officers, servants or contractors, shall be liable to the same penalties.

### 44.

(1) The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may make rules consistent with this act either generally or for any particular area, to carry out all the purposes of this Act and such rules may be incorporated in any scheme by a reference thereto in the scheme, subject to any modifications that may be set out in the scheme.(2)In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, the [State Government | [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] shall have power to make rules in respect of the following matters: -(a)the manner of publication of the notifications under section 10, and of the draft scheme under section 11;(b)the further particulars, or plans for inclusion in schemes under section 4, (clause (r)) and section 13 (subsection (1)) clause (h).(c) the scale of all plans made under this Act, the particulars to be shown in them, the manner in which such particulars shall be shown, the colouring of such plans and all such matters(d)What streets or roads and improvements thereto provided in a town-planning scheme shall be made or carried out at the expense of the municipal council, the owners of the property or both.(e)The kinds of expenditure connected with town-planning which shall be met out of current revenues and those that shall be met out of loans or other capital receipts.(f)What receipts shall be credited to the town planning fund referred to in section 30 and what expenditure shall be debited to it.(g)The powers that may be delegated to the committees constituted under section 37.(h)the

manner in which all documents and plans prepared under the act shall be made accessible to the public.(i) the procedure to be adopted for securing co-operation on the part of the municipal authorities with the owners or persons interested in property proposed to be comprised in a town-planning scheme by such means as may be expedient, the summoning, presidency and procedure of such conferences and all such matters:(j)the procedure to be observed by the municipal council, (and responsible authority) in cases where owners commit default, or delay the carrying out of works or improvements, for carrying out such works or improvements and for recovering the cost from the owners liable therefor; (k) the securing of reasonable speed in the preparation or adoption of schemes by municipal council and the procedure to be followed for enabling the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] to act in the case of default or dilatoriness (on the part of the municipal council or the responsible authority) in making, adopting or executing a scheme and to recover from such council the expenses of such action; (1) the calculation, assessment and collection of the betterment contribution;(m)the regulation of the procedure before the arbitrator.(n)The delegation of powers to, and the duties that shall be discharged, by the Director, and the matters on which and the manner in which he shall be consulted by municipal council and responsible authorities).(q)the accounts that each municipal council shall keep for its town-planning fund, and their audit(r)the extent to which the proceedings and acts of local authorities under this Act shall be regulated by the provisions of any municipal or local law applicable to such authorities.(s)inquiries and reports as to the beginning and the progress and completion of works and other action under any scheme;(t)sanitary principles and building regulations to be observed in drawing up schemes;(u)the funds which shall be transferred by the municipal council to the responsible authority, the administration of such funds, the accounts to be kept in respect thereof and their audit.(v)matters other than those referred to in the foregoing clauses which are expressly required or allowed by this Act to be prescribed.(3)In making any rule, the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may provide that a breach thereof shall be punishable with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.)

### 44A.

The power to make rules under sections 38, 44 and 54 shall be subject to the condition of previous publication.

### 44B.

(1)Where a scheme sanctioned under this Act has provided that any person who commits or knowingly permits a breach of any specified provision of the scheme or who neglects or fails to comply with any such provision shall be punishable under this section, the responsible authority shall send to any person who commits or knowingly permits a breach of any such provision of the scheme or neglects or fails to comply with any such provision, a notice calling on him to discontinue the breach or cause it to be discontinued or to comply with such provision of the scheme.(2)If after the expiry of one month from the date of receipt of the notice by such person under sub-section (1)

the breach or neglect or failure continues, such person shall, on conviction, be punishable -(i)with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees, and(ii)if the breach, neglect or failure continues after such conviction, with fine which may extend to fifteen rupees for every day during which the breach, neglect or failure continues after such conviction.

# **Chapter IX Town Planning Trusts**

### 45.

(1)When the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] after consulting the municipal council, decide that The interests of town-planning in any particular area will be best served by entrusting it to a special board, they may, by notification in the (Official Gazette), constitute such board, to be called "The (name of town or other area ) Town-Planning trust" hereinafter referred to as "the trust" and thereupon the duty of carrying out the provisions of this Act in such local area shall, subject to the conditions and limitations hereinafter contained, be vested in the trust.(2)the trust shall be a body corporate and have perpetual, succession and a common seal and shall by the aforesaid name sue and be sued.

### 46.

(1) The trust shall consist of -(a)a chairman appointed by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.].(b) persons elected by the members of the municipal council or other local authorities or both and(c)persons appointed by the [State Government | [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] either by name or by virtue of their office. (2) The trust may also include representatives of railway, tramway or other transport companies, chambers of commerce, co-operative societies and similar bodies or association, either elected or nominated by them.(3)The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] shall fix the strength of the trust, the number of trustees to be elected under clause (b) of sub-section (1) the local authorities by whom they shall be elected, the number of trustees to be appointed by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] under clause (c) of sub-section (1) and the number of trustees to be elected or nominated under sub-section (2) and the bodies or associations by whom they shall be elected or nominated: Provided that the number of trustees appointed by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] shall not exceed one-third of the sanctioned strength.(4)Each trustee shall hold office for five years.

### 47.

The Chairman of the trust may receive such salary or remuneration as may be sanctioned by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.]. No other trustee shall receive any salary or other remuneration from the funds of the trust.

#### 48.

(1) The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may remove from the trust any trustee, other than an ex-officio trustee, who-(a)refuses to act, or becomes incapable of acting, or absents himself for more than three consecutive months from the meetings of the trust or of any committee of which he is a member and is unable to explain such absence to the satisfaction of the trust, or(b)is an undischarged insolvent or has compounded with his creditors, or(c)has been sentenced by a criminal court to imprisonment for a term exceeding six months or to transportation, or has been ordered to find security for good behavior under the code of criminal procedure, such sentence or order not having subsequently been reversed or remitted or the offender pardoned, or(d)has knowingly acquired or continued to hold without the permission in writing of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] directly or indirectly or by a partner, any share or interest in any contract or employment with, by, or on behalf of, the trust, or(e)has knowingly acted as a trustee in a matter other than a matter referred to in clause (iv) or clause (v) of the proviso to this sub-section in which he or a partner had, directly or indirectly, a personal interest or in which he was professionally interested on behalf of a client, principal or other person, or(f)being a legal practitioner, in any suit or other proceeding, acts or appears on behalf of any other person against the trust or acts or appears on behalf of any other person in any criminal proceeding instituted by or on behalf of the trust:Provided that a person shall not be deemed for the purpose of sub-section (1) to acquire, or continue to have, any share or interest in a contract or employment by reason only of his -(i)having a share or interest in any lease, sale or purchase of land, or buildings, or in any agreement for the same, provided that such share or interest was acquired before he became a trustee, or(ii) having a share in a joint stock company which shall contract with, or be employed by, or on behalf of, the trust, or(iii) having a share or interest in a news paper in which an advertisement relating to the affairs of the trust is inserted, or.(iv)holding a debenture or otherwise being interested in a loan raised by, or on behalf of, the trust, or(v)being retained by the trust as a legal practitioner, or(vi)having a share or interest in the occasional sale of an article, in which he regularly trades, to the trust to a value not exceeding, in any one year, such amount as the trust, with the sanction of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.], may fix in this behalf.(2)The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may remove from the trust a trustee who in their opinion has so abused his position as a trustee as to render his continuance as a trustee detrimental

to the public interest:Provided that when the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.], propose to take action under the foregoing provisions of this section an opportunity of explanation shall be given to the trustee concerned, and, when such action is taken, the reasons therefor shall be placed on record.

#### 49.

(1)A trustee removed under clause (a) or clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 48, or under, sub-section (2) of that section shall not be eligible for further election or nomination for a period of three years from the date of his removal.(2)A trustee removed under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 48, shall not be so eligible until he has obtained his discharge or has paid his creditors in full, as the case may be.(3)A trustee removed under any other provision of section 48 shall not be so eligible until he is declared to be no longer ineligible, and he may be so declared by an order of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.].

### 50.

(1)When a trust has been duly constituted, the provisions of Chapters I to VIII of this Act, shall, within the area entrusted to it for town-planning purposes, apply in full as though the words "trust" and "chairman of the trust" were substituted for "municipal council" or council " and "chairman of the council" or "Chairman".(2)A trust constituted under this chapter shall be deemed to be a local authority, as defined in the Local Authorities Loans Act, 1914, for the purpose of borrowing money under the provisions of that Act, and the making and execution of a scheme under this Act shall be deemed to be a work which a local authority is legally authorised to carry out.

### 50A.

The municipal council in whose area a trust operates shall pay annually to the trust such amount as may be agreed on between them or as may be fixed by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.].

### 51.

(1)If the trust fails to repay any loan taken in pursuance of section 50 or any interest or costs due in respect thereof, according to the conditions of the loan, the (Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh), shall make such payment. And the chairman of the municipal council shall forthwith pay from the municipal fund to the said Accountant-General a sum equivalent to the sum paid by him; And the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may attach the income of the trust and thereupon the provisions of section 5 of the Local Authorities

Loans Act, 1914, shall, with all necessary modifications, be deemed to apply.(2)Whenever the chairman of a municipal council has made any payment to the Accountant-General under subsection (1) the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] shall, so far as possible, reimburse the municipal council out of the income attached under that sub-section.

### **52.**

(1) whenever the municipal council is satisfied. (a) that any street laid out or altered by the trust has been duly levelled, payed, metalled, flagged-channelled, sewered, and drained in the manner provided in the scheme sanctioned by the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government'] were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] under this Act, and(b)that such lamps, lamp-posts, and other apparatus as the municipal council may consider, necessary for the lighting of such street and as ought to be provided by the trust have been so provided, and(c)that water and other sanitary conveniences ordinarily provided in a municipality have been duly provided in such street, the municipal council, after obtaining the assent of the trust, or failing such assent, the assent of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] under sub-section (3), shall, by a written notice affixed in some conspicuous position in such street, declare the street to be a public street and the street shall thereupon vest in the municipal council and shall thenceforth be maintained, kept in repair, lighted, and cleansed by the municipal council.(2)When any open space for purposes of, ventilation or recreation has been provided by the trust in executing any scheme, it shall, on completion, be transferred to the municipal council by resolution of the trust and shall thereupon vest in, and be maintained at the expense of, the municipal council: Provided that the municipal council may require the trust, before any such open space is so transferred, to enclose, level, turf, drain and lay out such space and provide foot-paths therein, and, if necessary, to provide lamps and other apparatus for lighting it.(3) If any difference of opinion arises between the trust and the municipal council in respect of any, matter referred to in the foregoing provisions of this section, the matter shall be referred to the, [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] whose decision shall be final.

### 53.

(1)when the trust created for an area has executed all schemes sanctioned under this Act, or so far executed them as to render its continued existence, in the opinion of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] unnecessary, the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may by notification declare that the trust shall be dissolved from such date as may be specified in this behalf in such notification; and the trust shall be deemed to be dissolved accordingly.(2)from

the said date -(a)all properties, funds and dues which are vested in or realizable by the trust and the chairman, respectively, shall vest in and be realizable by the, municipal council and the Chairman of the council, respectively and(b)all liabilities which are enforceable against the trust shall be enforceable only against the municipal council and(c)for the purpose of completing the execution of any scheme, sanctioned under this Act, which has not been fully executed by the trust, and of realizing properties, funds, and dues referred to in clause (a), the functions of the trust and the Chairman under this act shall be discharged by the municipal council and the Chairman of the council, respectively.

### 54.

(1) The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] shall have power, to make rules not inconsistent with this Act and applicable to all trusts or to any trust-(a) as to the election, nomination and appointment of trustees, and the commencement of their terms of office. (b) as to the resignation by trustees of their offices, and the filling of casual vacancies.(c)As to the meetings of the trust, the procedure to be followed in summoning, adjourning and conducting the proceedings of such meetings.(d)As to the constitution of committees of the trust and the functions that may be delegated to them.(e)as to the officers and servants who may be employed by the trust, the authority by whom they may be appointed and punished, the salaries of such officers and servants and the institution, where necessary, of a provident fund or gratuity system for their benefit. (f) as to the accounts to be kept and the returns to be submitted by the trust.(g)As to the manner in which the accounts of the trust shall be audited and published and as to the powers of auditors in respect of disallowance and surcharge; (h) As to the making and execution of contracts on behalf of the trust.(i)As to the mutual relations, financial and other, of a trust and local authorities and(j)Generally for the guidance of trusts and public officers in all matters connected with the carrying out of the provisions of this Act.(2) every trust may from time to time, with the previous sanction of the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] make bylaws consistent with this Act and with any rules made thereunder for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

# **Chapter X Transfer of Proceedings**

### 55.

(1)The [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may, by notification and from a date to be specified in such notification, transfer the proceedings commenced under this Act in respect of any land by any authority having jurisdiction to any other authority having jurisdiction over such land.(2)before issuing a notification under sub-section (1) the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For

the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] shall communicate to the authorities affected the grounds on which they propose to make the transfer, fix a reasonable period for them to show cause against the proposal and consider their objections, if any.(3)the authority to whom a transfer of proceedings is made under sub-section (1) may continue such proceedings from the stage which they had reached on the date specified in the notification.(4)When making a transfer of proceedings under sub-section (1), the [State Government] [The words 'Provincial Government' were Substituted For the words 'local Government' by the A.O.1937 and the word 'State' was Substituted For Provincial by the A.O.1950.] may direct the authority to whom the transfer is made to reimburse the authority from whom the transfer is made the net expenditure which the last-mentioned authority may, up to the date of such transfer, have incurred on such proceedings. (5) From the date specified in the notification under sub-section (1) all rights and assets which, for the purposes of the proceedings transferred by such notification, are vested in, and all obligations and liabilities which for the same purposes are enforcible against the authority from whom the transfer is made, shall vest in or be enforcible against the authority to whom the transfer is made. The following Act of the Andhra Pradesh Legislature received the assent of the Governor on the 30th published on the 1st December, 1981 in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette for General information -