

**THE ABANDONED LAND MANAGEMENT
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 1950.**

(Passed under Cabinet Resolution No. 110/50)

Whereas it is expedient to amend the Abandoned Lands Management Act of 1949, it is hereby enacted as follows :-

1. This Act may be called the Abandoned Lands Management (Amendment) Act of 1950 and it shall come into force forthwith.
2. Substitute the following for Section 5 of the Abandoned Lands Management Act of 1949 :-
 - (i) The Deputy Commissioner may, by an order in writing for sufficient cause, require any tenant or other persons otherwise in possession of abandoned lands or such other property, to vacate any such land or property and place it at his disposal.
 - (ii) The Deputy Commissioner may, eject any person who refuses to vacate any such land or property and for this purpose he may make use of Civil or Military force if necessary.
 - (iii) The Deputy Commissioner may empower any revenue officer not below the rank of a Tehsildar or a Rehabilitation Officer to exercise all or any of the powers under subsections (i) and (ii) of this Section.'
3. Substitute the following for Section 9 of the Abandoned Lands Management Act of 1949 :-

'All offences under this Act shall be cognizable and non-bailable subject to the provisions of Sections 497 and 498 of the Criminal Procedure Code with regard to bail, but cases under this Act may be withdrawn at the instance of the Deputy Commissioner or Commissioner.'