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CHAPTER 258

COTTON EXPORT LEVY

An Act to impose a levy upon cotton exported from the Island for the purpose of furthering the interests of the cotton industry.

1935-5.
1948-21.
L.N. 168/
1967.

[17th June, 1935] Commence-
ment.

1. This Act may be cited as the Cotton Export Levy Act. Short title.
2. For the purposes of this Act, the expression—
 - “cotton” means clean cotton lint;
 - “exporter” includes shipper, and in the case of a steamship, the owner or agent of such vessel or exporter of cotton;
 - “Minister” means the Minister responsible for Agriculture.
3. There shall be imposed a levy upon all cotton exported from the Island, at such a rate as the Minister shall by order prescribe.

Levy on
cotton
exported.
1948-21.
4. (1) The proceeds of the levy shall on the export from the Island of the cotton be paid to the credit of the Barbados Cotton Growers Association at such bank as the Barbados Cotton Growers Association may from time to time notify.

Levy to be
paid to the
credit of
Cotton
Growers
Association.

(2) The levy shall be paid by the exporter.
5. The exporter shall deliver to the Comptroller of Customs a declaration in duplicate containing particulars as regards weight or quantity of every shipment made by him on the form duly provided by the Comptroller of Customs for this purpose together with the receipt from the Barbados Cotton Growers Association for the payment of the levy on such shipment prior to the clearance of the ship.

Declaration
to be made
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Disposal of
proceeds of
levy.

6. (1) The Barbados Cotton Growers Association shall out of the proceeds of the levy collected under this Act remit to the West Indian Sea Island Cotton Association such sums as shall be determined from time to time by the West Indian Sea Island Cotton Association.

(2) It shall be lawful for the Barbados Cotton Growers Association out of any moneys for the time being remaining to their credit out of the proceeds of the said levy to apply such sums as they think fit towards the payment of any expenses incident to the establishment of the West Indian Sea Island Cotton Association and the incorporation of the Barbados Cotton Growers Association and in carrying out the objects of the said Associations with respect to the development of the cotton industry in the West Indies and the repayment of any loans made for the purposes aforesaid.

Audited
statement of
accounts to
be furnished.

7. The Barbados Cotton Growers Association shall each year furnish the Minister with an audited statement of their accounts.

Penalty.

8. Any person who—

- (a) fails to make the prescribed declaration or makes a false declaration in respect of cotton exported; or
 - (b) refuses or neglects to pay any levy imposed by this Act,
- shall be guilty of an offence and, on the information of the Comptroller of Customs or the Barbados Cotton Growers Association or any person authorised by either of them, shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty of two hundred and forty dollars in addition to the amount of the levy.