

**I/D.No.LL (B).20 /2006/135**  
**Dated Shillong, the 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2017.**

**Excise,Registration,Taxation,and Stamps Department- I/D.,**

Enclosed, please find herewith 200 (Two hundred) copies of the Meghalaya Compulsory Registration of Marriage (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Act No. 6 of 2017) for favour of information and necessary action.

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Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,  
Law (B) Department.

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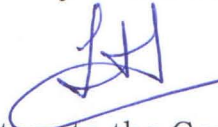
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1. The Commissioner & Secretary, Meghalaya Legislative Assembly with 5(five) copies of the above mentioned Act for information and necessary action.
2. Cabinet Affairs Department.
3. The Data Entry Operator, Law (A) Department, Main Secretariat Building for uploading the notification in the Law Department web site.

**By order etc.,**



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### NOTIFICATION

The 4th April, 2017.

**No.LL(B)20/2016/128.**—The Meghalaya Compulsory Registration of Marriage (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Act No. 6 of 2017) is hereby published for general information.

### MEGHALAYA ACT NO. 6 OF 2017.

*(As passed by the Meghalaya Legislative Assembly)*

*Received the assent of the Governor on 1st April, 2017*

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**THE MEGHALAYA COMPULSORY REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGE  
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017**

**An**

**Act**

to further amend the Meghalaya Compulsory Registration of Marriage Act, 2012.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Meghalaya in the Sixty-eight Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

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| <b>Short title and Commencement.</b>                                 | <p>1. (1) This Act may be called the Meghalaya Compulsory Registration of Marriage (Amendment) Act, 2017.</p> <p>(2) It shall come into force from the date of notification in the official Gazette.</p>  |  |  |   |  |
| <b>Amendment of Section 2 of the Act.</b>                            | <p>2. After the existing clause (c) of Section 2 of the Meghalaya Compulsory Registration of Marriage Act, 2012 (hereinafter referred to as principal Act), the following new clause (cc) shall be added,-</p> <p>“(cc) “personal laws” means the Indian Christian Marriage Act, 1872 (Central Act No. 15 of 1872), the Hindu Marriage Act 1955 (Central Act No. 25 of 1955), the Moslem Marriages and Divorces Registration Act (as adapted from Assam Act No. IX of 1935), the Anand Marriage Act, 1909 (Central Act No. 7 of 1909), the Parsi Marriage and Divorce Act, 1936 and such personal laws in force by law”.</p>  |  |  |   |  |
| <b>Insertion of new Sections 3A and 3B.</b>                          | <p>3. After the existing Section 3 of the principal Act, the following new Section 3A and Section 3B shall be inserted as follows,-</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 20px;"><b>“Special provision for marriages under various personal laws.</b></td> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> <p><b>3A.</b> (1) Any marriage solemnized under various personal laws shall be deemed to be taken under this Act.</p> <p>(2) The marriage register maintained for the purpose of this Section and filing of returns shall be as prescribed by such personal laws”.</p> </td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 20px;"><b>“Application of the provision of this Act.</b></td> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> <p><b>3B.</b> The provision of this Act shall be applicable to the parties to the marriage or in case of living together or cohabitation not covered by their respective personal laws”.</p> </td> </tr> </table> | <b>“Special provision for marriages under various personal laws.</b> | <p><b>3A.</b> (1) Any marriage solemnized under various personal laws shall be deemed to be taken under this Act.</p> <p>(2) The marriage register maintained for the purpose of this Section and filing of returns shall be as prescribed by such personal laws”.</p> | <b>“Application of the provision of this Act.</b> | <p><b>3B.</b> The provision of this Act shall be applicable to the parties to the marriage or in case of living together or cohabitation not covered by their respective personal laws”.</p> |
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| <b>Amendment of Section 7</b>  | <p>4. In Section 7 of the principal Act, a proviso shall be added after the existing provision, namely, -</p>   |  |  |   |  |

- “Provided that the provision of this Section shall be applicable to the parties of the marriage not covered by their respective personal laws”.
- Amendment of Section 11.**      5.    In Section 11 of the principal Act, a proviso shall be added after the existing provision, namely, -
- “Provided that notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the ‘Marriage Officer’ or ‘License holder’ under the provisions of various personal laws shall also submit their returns periodically to the respective Registrars of Marriages for the purpose of this section as may be prescribed”.
- Amendment of Section 21.**      6.    For the existing Section 21 of the principal Act, the following shall be substituted, namely,-
- “21. Provisions not to be derogatory to certain laws.**      The provisions of this Act shall be in addition to and not in derogation of the provisions of the existing personal laws in force”.

**W. KHYLLEP,**  
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Law Department.