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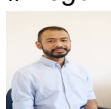
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## THE INDIAN SUCCESSION ACT, 1925

ACT No. 39 OF 1925<sup>1</sup>  
[30th September, 1925]

An Act to consolidate the law applicable to intestate and testamentary succession<sup>2</sup>;

WHEREAS it is expedient to consolidate the law applicable to intestate and testamentary succession<sup>3</sup>; it is hereby enacted as follows:—

### PART I PRELIMINARY

**1. Short title.**—This Act may be called the Indian Succession Act, 1925.

**2. Definition.**—In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context:

- (a) "administrator" means a person appointed by competent authority to administer the estate of a deceased person when there is no executor;
- (b) "codicil" means an instrument made in relation to a will, and explaining, altering or adding to its dispositions, and shall be deemed to form part of the will;
- (c) "District Judge" means the Judge of a principal Civil Court of original jurisdiction;
- (d) "executor" means a person to whom the execution of the last will of a deceased person is, by the testator's appointment, confided;
- (e) "India" means the territory of India excluding the State of Jammu and Kashmir;
- (f) "Indian Christian" means a native of India who is, or in good faith claims to be, of unsected Asiatic descent and who professes any form of the Christian religion;
- (g) "minor" means any person subject to the Indian Majority Act, 1875 (19 of 1875), who has not attained his majority within the meaning of that Act, and any other person who has not completed the age of eighteen years; and "minority" means the status of any such person.

<sup>1</sup> The Act has been extended to Bihar by the Bihar Laws Act, 1941 (4 of 1941) and to Manipur by the Union Territories (Laws) Amendment Act, 1956 (66 of 1956).  
Extended to and brought into force in Dadra and Nagar Haveli by a.O. 17433-B Reg. of 1963, s. 2 & 3, ibid. 1.

<sup>2</sup> The words "in the Provinces of India" omitted by the A. O. 1950.

<sup>3</sup> See by Act 18 of 1925, s. 2.

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