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# To all to whom these Presents shall come

I, D. K. BAROOAH

Governor of Bihar,

# Send Greeting:

Whereas by an Act passed by the Governor-General in Council on the Eighteenth day of July, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, being Act No. XV, and entitled "The Indian Christian Marriage Act, 1872," it is provided that marriages may be solemnized in India by any Minister of Religion licensed under the said Act to solemnize Marriages: And Whereas it is further provided by section 6 of the said Act that the State Government may grant licenses to Ministers of Religion to solemnize Marriages within the territories under its administration: And Whereas the Governor of Bihar has thought fit to grant to Rev. Dr. Nirmal Miny, GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN Church, Ranchi, a Minister of Religion, a license to solemnize Marriages under the provisions of the said Act:

It is hereby certified that the Governor of Bihar, by virtue of the power so vested in him, does hereby license and authorize the said

Rev. Dr. Nirmal Miny as and being a Minister of Religion, to solemnize Marriages between persons one or both of whom is Christian, or are Christians within the territories under the administration of the Government of Bihar.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Government of Bihar, this

14th. day of February , One thousand
nine hundred and Seventy two

By order of the Governor of Bihar,

Secretary to Government.

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(Registered Under Societies Registration Act. XXI of 1860)

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Rev. Martin Tete Pramukh Adhyaksh (President)

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Head Office:
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi
Bihar/India, Phone 23358

Date जून, १३, १६८८

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#### RECOMMENDATION CERTIFICATE

Certified that Rev. Rimon Summ
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Church). He has been appointed as Minister of Religion on
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He requires a licence under Section 6 and 9 of the
Indian Christian Marriage Act. XV of 1872 for the whole terri-
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is likely to be transferred from one district to the other.
He is called upon to conduct burials of Christians and
as such needs to be appointed as a Registrar of Birth and
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Dated . . . 16.3.88

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Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) GEL CHURCH, RANCHI

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Through The Commissioner, Ranchi

Sub : Issue of Marriage License to the pastors of GEL Church

I beg to state that I am an ordained Minister of Religion belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam (a non-Episcopal Church). At present I am posted at GEL Church BARTOJRINGA.

As a pastor I am called upon to solemnise of the Christian who belong to the GEL Church and baptise the children of Christians parents and keep records.

I therefore request you to be kind enough to grant me a license under Section 6 & 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act of 1872under the jurisdiction of BIHAR STATE as I amlikely to be transferred from one district to another.

The recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) is enclosed in support of the application.

Date 16.3.88 Place Banbinher Name <u>Rev. Remon Sunin</u>
Place <u>Bani bininga</u>

District Gumla

The Registrar General Births & Deaths Government of Bihar New Secreteriat Bailey Road Patna - 1

Through the Commissioner, Ranchi

Subject: Issue of License to the Pastors of the G.E.L. Church in Chotanagpur & Assam for Births & Deaths

I bege to state that I am an ordained Minister of Religion belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam, Ranchi. At preent I am posted at G. L. CHURCH BARIBIRINGA-

As a pastor I am called upon to perform the religious rights both for Births and deaths of members of the GEL Church members . I have also to keep a record for the births & deaths.

I therefore request you to be kind enough to grant me a license in the jurisdiction of <u>BIHAR STATE</u>.

as I am likely to be transferred from one district to another.

The recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) is enclosed in support of my application.

Place BARIBIRINGA.

Yours faithfully,

Name Rev. Rimon Surin

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Preamble.—Whereas it is expedient to consolidate and amend the law relating to the solemnization in India of the marriages of persons professing the Christian religion; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

#### PRELIMINARY

1. Short title.—This Act may be called the Indian Christian Marriage Act, 1872.

Extent.—It extends to the whole of India except the territories which, immediately before the Ist November, 1956, were comprised in the States of Travancore-Cochin, Manipur and Jammu and Kashmir.

#### STATE AMENDMENT

PONDICHERRY.—In Section 1 add the following:

"Provided that nothing contained in this Act shall apply to the Renoncants on of the Union territory of Pondicherry—Act 26 of 1968, S. 3."

MEGHALAYA.—For the second para of Section 1 substitute:

"It extends to the whole of Meghalaya"-Meghalaya A.L.O. (No. 3), 1973.

2. [Enactments repealed.] Rep. by the Repealing Act, 1938 (1 of 1938), S. 2 and Sch., Pt. I.

3. Interpretation clause.—In this Act unless there is something repugnant in the subject or context,—

"Church of England" and "Anglican" mean and apply to the Church of England as by law established;

"Church of Scotland" means the Church of Scotland as by law established;

"Church of Rome" and "Roman Catholic" mean and apply to the Church which regards the Pope of Rome as its spiritual head;

"Church" includes any chapel or other building generally used for public Christian worship;

"India" means the territories to which this Act extends;

"minor" means a person who has not completed the age of twenty-one years and who is not a widower or a widow;

the expression "Christian" means persons professing the Christian religion;

and the expression "Indian Christians" includes the Christian descendants of natives of India converted to Christianity, as well as such converts;

"Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages" means a Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages appointed under the Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act, 1886 (6 of 1886). [S. 4

It has been extended to Union territory of Pondicherry by the Pondicherry (Extension of Laws) Act, 1968 (26 of 1968) subject to the following proviso:

"Provided that nothing contained in this Act shall apply to the Renoncants of the Union territory of Pondicherry."

#### STATE AMENDMENT

KARNATAKA.—For the definition of "Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages", substitute the following:

"Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages means 'the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages appointed under the Mysore Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act, 1956',"—Mysore Act 20 of 1956, Section 10 (29-10-1956) r/w Act 31 of 1973, Section 5 (1-11-1973).

#### PART I

#### THE PERSONS BY WHOM MARRIAGES MAY BE SOLEMNIZED

4. Marriages to be solemnized according to Act.—Every marriage between persons, one or both of whom is or are a Christian or Christians, shall be solemnized in accordance with the provisions of the next following section; and any such marriage solemnized otherwise than in accordance with such provisions shall be void.

#### NOTES

Though under the canon law a marriage performed by a Schismatic priest where the parties to marriage are Roman Catholic will not be recognised as valid by the Catholic Church and the off spring will be described as illegitimate, such a marriage would be perfectly valid under Sections 4 and 5 of the Act and the progeny perfectly legitimate. Ganamathu Udayar v. Anthoni, AIR 1960 Mad 430.

- 5. Persons by whom marriages may be solemnized.—Marriages may be soleminzed in India—
  - (1) by any person who has received episcopal ordination, provided that the marriage be solemnized according to the rules, rites, ceremonies and customs of the Church of which he is a Minister;
  - (2) by any Clergyman of the Church of Scotland, provided that such marriage be solemnized according to the rules, rites, ceremonies and customs of the Church of Scotland;
  - (3) by any Minister of Religion licensed under this Act to solemnize marriages;
  - (4) by, or in the presence of, a Marriage Registrar appointed under this Act;
  - (5) by any person licensed under this Act to grant certificates of marriage between Indian Christians.

#### NOTES

The making of separate provisions in Parts III, V and VI of the Act, relating to marriage of minors and the requirement of consent of the parents or the guardian shows that each part is meant to be self-contained. The categories of persons covered by those parts and the provisions appearing therein cannot be applied to marriages solemnized by persons falling in categories I and II of Section 5. Lakshmi Sanyal v. Sachit Kumar Dhar, (1972) 2 SCC 647.

The District Court has no jurisdiction to pass a decree for declaration of nultity of marriage on ground that marriage was void as it was not solemnized in accordance with Sections 4 and 5. Kanku v. Shanabhai, IX G. L. R. 511.

6. Grant and revocation of licences to solemnize marriages.—The State Government, so far as regards the territories under its administration, may, by notification in the Official Gazette, grant licences to Ministers of Religion to

solemnize marriages within such territories and may, by a like notification, revoke such licences.

7. Marriage Registrars.—The State Government may appoint one or more Christians, either by name or as holding any office for the time being to be the Marriage Registrar or Marriage Registrars for any district subject to its administration.

Senior Marriage Registrar.—Where there are more Marriage Registrars than one in any district, the State Government shall appoint one of them to be the Senior Marriage Registrar.

Magistrate when to be Marriage Registrar.—When there is only one Marriage Registrar in a district, and such Registrar is absent from such district, or ill, or when his office is temporarily vacant, the Magistrate of the district shall act as, and be, Marriage Registrar thereof during such absence, illness, or temporary vacancy.

#### STATE AMENDMENT

KARNATAKA.—Substitute the words "District Magistrate" for the words "Magistrate of the district".—Mysore Act 13 of 1965, Section 66 and Schedule (1-10-1965) r/w Act 31 of 1973, Section 5 (1-11-1973).

- 8. [Marriage Registrars in Indian States.] Rep. by the A. O. 1950.
- 9. Licensing of persons to grant certificates of marriage between Indian Christians.—The State Government may grant a licence to any Christian, either by name or as holding any office for the time being, authorizing him to grant certificates of marriage between Indian Christians.

Any such licence may be revoked by the authority by which it was granted, and every such grant or revocation shall be notified in the Official Gazette.

#### PART II

#### TIME AND PLACE AT WHICH MARRIAGES MAY BE SOLEMNIZED

10. Time for solemnizing marriage.—Every marriage under this Act shall be solemnized between the hours of six in the morning and seven in the evening:

Exceptions.—Provided that nothing in this section shall apply to—

- (1) a Clergyman of the Church of England solemnizing a marriage under a special licence permitting him to do so at any hour other than between six in the morning and seven in the evening, under the hand and seal of the Anglican Bishop of the Diocese or his Commissary, or
- (2) a Clergyman of the Church of Rome solemnizing a marriage between the hours of seven in the evening and six in the morning, when he has received a general or special licence in that behalf from the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese or Vicariate in which such marriage is so solemnized, or from such person as the same Bishop has authorized to grant such licence, or
- (3) a Clergyman of the Church of Scotland solemnizing a marriage according to the rules, rites, ceremonies and customs of the Church of Scotland.
- 11. Place for solemnizing marriage.—No Clergyman of the Church of England shall solemnize a marriage in any place other than a church where worship is generally held according to the forms of the Church of England,



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unless there is no such church within five miles distance by the shortest road from such place, or

unless he has received a special licence authorizing him to do so under the hand and seal of the Anglican Bishop of the Diocese or his Commissary.

Fee for special licence.—For such special licence, the Registrar of the Diocese may charge such additional fee as the said Bishop from time to time authorizes.

#### PART III

## MARRIAGES SOLEMNIZED BY MINISTERS OF RELIGION LICENSED UNDER THIS ACT

12. Notice of intended marriage.—Whenever a marriage is intended to be solemnized by a Minister of Religion licensed to solemnize marriages under this Act—

one of the persons intending marriage shall give notice in writing, according to the form contained in the First Schedule hereto annexed, or to the like effect, to the Minister of Religion whom he or she desires to solemnize the marriage, and shall state therein—

- (a) the name and surname, and the profession or condition, of each of the persons intending marriage;
- (b) the dwelling-place of each of them;
- (c) the time during which each has dwelt there; and
- (d) the church or private dwelling in which the marriage is to be solemnized:

Provided that, if either of such persons has dwelt in the place mentioned in the notice during more than one month, it may be stated therein that he or she has dwelt there one month and upwards.

13. Publication of such notice.—If the persons intending marriage desire it to be solemnized in a particular church, and if the Minister of Religion to whom such notice has been delivered be entitled to officiate therein, he shall cause the notice to be affixed in some conspicuous part of such church.

Return or transfer of notice.—But if he is not entitled to officiate as a Minister in such church, he shall, at his option, either return the notice to the person who delivered it to him, or deliver it to some other Minister entitled to officiate therein, who shall thereupon cause the notice to be affixed as aforesaid.

- 14. Notice of intended marriage in private dwelling.—If it be intended that the marriage shall be solemnized in a private dwelling, the Minister of Religion, on receiving the notice prescribed in Section 12, shall forward it to the Marriage Registrar of the district, who shall affix the same to some conspicuous place in his own office.
- 15. Sending copy of notice to Marriage Registrar when one party is a minor.—When one of the persons intending marriage is a minor, every Minister receiving such notice shall, unless within twenty-four hours after its receipt he returns the same under the provisions of Section 13, send by the post or otherwise a copy of such notice to the Marriage Registrar of the district, or, if there be more than one Registrar of such district, to the Senior Marriage Registrar.
  - 16. Procedure on receipt of notice.—The Marriage Registrar or Senior

Marriage Registrar, as the case may be, on receiving any such notice, shall affix it to some conspicuous place in his own office, and the latter shall further cause a copy of the said notice to be sent to each of the other Marriage Registrars in the same district, who shall likewise publish the same in the manner above directed.

17. Issue of certificate of notice given and declaration made.—Any Minister of Religion consenting or intending to solemnize any such marriage as aforesaid, shall, on being required so to do by or on behalf of the person by whom the notice was given, and upon one of the persons intending marriage making the declaration hereinafter required, issue under his hand a certificate of such notice having been given and of such declaration having been made:

#### Proviso .- Provided-

- (1) that no such certificate shall be issued until the expiration of four days after the date of the receipt of the notice by such Minister;
- (2) that no lawful impediment be shown to his satisfaction why such certificate should not issue; and
- (3) that the issue of such certificate has not been forbidden, in manner hereinafter mentioned, by any person authorized in that behalf.
- 18. Declaration before issue of certificate.—The certificate mentioned in Section 17 shall not be issued until one of the persons intending marriage has appeared personally before the Minister and made a solemn declaration—
  - (a) that he or she believes that there is not any impediment of kindred or affinity, or other lawful hindrance, to the said marriage, and, when either or both of the parties is or are a minor or minors,
  - (b) that the consent or consents required by law has or have been obtained thereto, or that there is no person resident in India having authority to give such consent, as the case may be.
- 19. Consent of father or guardian, or mother.—The father, if living, of any minor, or, if the father be dead, the guardian of the person of such minor, and, in case there be no such guardian, then the mother of such minor, may give consent to the minor's marriage,

and such consent is hereby required for the same marriage, unless no person authorized to give such consent be resident in India.

#### NOTES

Section 19 is not applicable to a marriage solemnized by a Minister of the Roman Catholic Church. Lakshmi Sanyal v. Sachit Kumar Dhar, (1972) 2 SCC 6.7.

- 20. Power to prohibit by notice issue of certificate.—Every person whose consent to a marriage is required under Section 19, is hereby authorized to prohibit the issue of the certificate by any Minister, at any time before the issue of the same, by notice in writing to such Minister, subscribed by the person so authorized with his or her name and place of abode and position with respect to either of the persons intending marriage, by reason of which he or she is so authorized as aforesaid.
- 21. Procedure on receipt of notice.—If any such notice be received by such Minister, he shall not issue his certificate and shall not solemnize the said marriage until he has examined into the matter of the said prohibition, and is satisfied that the person prohibiting the marriage has no lawful authority for such prohibition,

or until the said notice is withdrawn by the person who gave it.

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- 22. Issue of certificate in case of minority.—When either of the persons intending marriage is a minor, and the Minister is not satisfied that the consent of the person whose consent to such marriage is required by Section 19 has been obtained, such Minister shall not issue such certificate until the expiration of fourteen days after the receipt by him of the notice of marriage.
- 23. Issue of certificates to Indian Christians.—When any Indian Christian about to be married takes a notice of marriage to a Minister of Religion, or applies for a certificate from such Minister under Section 17, such Minister shall, before issuing the certificate, ascertain whether such Indian Christian is cognizant of the purport and effect of the said notice or certificate, as the case may be, and, if not, shall translate or cause to be translated the notice or certificate to such Indian Christian into some language which he understands.
- 24. Form of certificate.—The certificate to be issued by such Minister shall be in the form contained in the Second Schedule hereto annexed, or to the like effect.
- 25. Solemnization of marriage.—After the issue of the certificate by the Minister, marriage may be solemnized between the persons therein described according to such form or ceremony as the Minister thinks fit to adopt:

Provided that the marriage be solemnized in the presence of at least two witnesses besides the Minister.

26. Certificate void if marriage not solemnized within two months.—Whenever a marriage is not solemnized within two months after the date of the certificate issued by such Minister as aforesaid, such certificate and all proceedings (if any) thereon shall be void,

and no person shall proceed to solemnize the said marriage until new notice has been given and a certificate thereof issued in manner aforesaid.

#### PART IV

## REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGES SOLEMNIZED BY MINISTERS OF RELIGION

- 27. Marriages when to be registered.—All marriages hereafter solemnized in India between persons one or both of whom professes or profess the Christian religion, except marriages solemnized under Part V or Part VI of this Act, shall be registered in manner hereinafter prescribed.
- 28. Registration of marriages solemnized by Clergymen of Church of England.—Every Clergyman of the Church of England shall keep a register of marriages and shall register therein, according to the tabular form set forth in the Third Schedule hereto annexed, every marriage which he solemnizes under this Act.
- 29. Quarterly returns to Archdeaconry.—Every Clergyman of the Church of England shall send four times in every year returns in duplicate, authenticated by his signature, of the entries in the register of marriages solemnized at any place where he has any spiritual charge, to the Registrar of the Archdeaconry to which he is subject, or within the limits of which such place is situate.

Contents of returns.—Such quarterly returns shall contain all the entries of marriages contained in the said register from the first day of January to the thirty-first day of March, from the first day of April to the thirtieth day of June, from the first day of July to the thirtieth day of September, and from the

first day of October to the thirty-first day of December, of each year, respectively, and shall be sent by such Clergyman within two weeks from the expiration of each of the quarters above specified.

The said Registrar upon receiving the said returns shall send one copy thereof to the Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

30. Registration and returns of marriages solemnized by Clergymen of Church of Rome.—Every marriage solemnized by a Clergyman of the Church of Rome shall be registered by the person and according to the form directed in that behalf by the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese or Vicariate in which such marriage is solemnized,

and such person shall forward quarterly to the Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages returns of the entries of all marriages registered by him during the three months next preceding.

31. Registration and returns of marriages solemnized by Clergymen of Church of Scotland.—Every Clergyman of the Church of Scotland shall keep a register of marriages,

and shall register therein, according to the tabular form set forth in the Third Schedule hereto annexed, every marriage which he solemnizes under this Act.

and shall forward quarterly to the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages, through the senior Chaplain of the Church of Scotland, returns, similar to those prescribed in Section 29, of all such marriages.

- 32. Certain marriages to be registered in duplicate.—Every marriage solemnized by any person who has received episcopal ordination, but who is not a Clergyman of the Church of England, or of the Church of Rome, or by any Minister of Religion licensed under this Act to solemnize marriages, shall immediately after the solemnization thereof, be registered in duplicate by the person solemnizing the same; (that is to say) in a marriage-register-book to be kept by him for that purpose, according to the form contained in the Fourth Schedule hereto annexed, and also in a certificate attached to the marriage-register-book as a counterfoil.
- 33. Entries of such marriages to be signed and attested.—The entry of such marriage in both the certificate and marriage-register-book shall be signed by the person solemnizing the marriage, and also by the persons married, and shall be attested by two credible witnesses, other than the person solemnizing the marriage, present at its solemnization.

Every such entry shall be made in order from the beginning to the end of the book, and the number of the certificate shall correspond with that of the entry in the marriage-register-book.

34. Certificate be forwarded to Marriage Registrar, copied and sent to Registrar-General.—The person solemnizing the marriage shall forthwith separate the certificate from the marriage-register-book and send it, within one month from the time of the solemnization, to the Marriage Registrar of the district in which the marriage was solemnized, or, if there be more Marriage Registrars than one, to the Senior Marriage Registrar,

who shall cause such certificate to be copied into a book to be kept by him for that purpose,

and shall send all the certificates which he has received during the month,

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with such number and signature or initials added thereto as are hereinafter required, to the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

- 35. Copies of certificates to be entered and numbered.—Such copies shall be entered in order from the beginning to the end of the said book, and shall bear both the number of the certificate as copied, and also a number to be entered by the Marriage Registrar, indicating the number of the entry of the said copy in the said book, according to the order in which he receives each certificate.
- 36. Registrar to add number of entry to certificate and send to Registrar-General.—The Marriage Registrar shall also add such last-mentioned number of the entry of the copy in the book to the certificate, with his signature or initials, and shall, at the end of every month, send the same to the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages.
- 37. Registration of marriages between Indian Christians, by persons referred to in clause (1), (2) and (3) of Section 5.—When any marriage between Indian Christians is solemnized by any such person, Clergyman or Minister of Religion as is referred to in clause (1), clause (2) or clause (3) of Section 5, the person solemnizing the same shall, instead of proceeding in the manner provided by Sections 28 to 36, both inclusive, register the marriage in a separate register-book, and shall keep it safely until it is filled, or, if he leave the district in which he solemnized the marriage before the said book is filled, shall make over the same to the person succeeding to his duties in the said district.

Custody and disposal of register-book.—Whoever has the control of the book at the time when it is filled, shall send it to the Marriage Registrar of the district, or, if there be more Marriage Registrars than one, to the Senior Marriage Registrar, who shall send it to the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages, to be kept by him with the records of his office.

#### PART V

# MARRIAGES SOLEMNIZED BY, OR IN THE PRESENCE OF, A MARRIAGE REGISTRAR

38. Notice of intended marriage before Marriage Registrar.—When a marriage is intended to be solemnized by, or in the presence of, a Marriage Registrar, one of the parties to such marriage shall give notice in writing, in the form contained in the First Schedule hereto annexed, or to the like effect, to any Marriage Registrar of the district within which the parties have dwelt,

or, if the parties dwell in different districts, shall give the like notice to a Marriage Registrar of each district,

and shall state therein the name and surname, and the profession or condition, of each of the parties intending marriage, the dwelling-place of each of them, the time during which each has dwelt therein, and the place at which the marriage is to be solemnized:

Provided that, if either party has dwelt in the place stated in the notice for more than one month, it may be stated therein that he or she has dwelt there one month and upwards.

39. Publication of notice.—Every Marriage Registrar shall, on receiving any such notice, cause a copy thereof to be affixed in some conspicuous place in his office.

When one of the parties intending marriage is a minor, every Marriage Registrar shall, within twenty-four hours after the receipt by him of the notice of such marriage, send, by post or otherwise, a copy of such notice to each of the other Marriage Registrars (if any) in the same district, who shall likewise affix the copy in some conspicuous place in his own office.

40. Notice to be filed and copy entered in Marriage-Notice-Book.—The Marriage Registrar shall file all such notices and keep them with the records of his office,

and shall also forthwith enter a true copy of all such notices in a book to be furnished to him for that purpose by the State Government, and to be called the "Marriage-Notice-Book",

and the Marriage-Notice-Book shall be open at all reasonable times, without fee, to all persons desirous of inspecting the same.

41. Certificate of notice given and oath made.—If the party by whom the notice was given requests the Marriage Registrar to issue the certificate next hereinafter mentioned, and if one of the parties intending marriage has made oath as hereinafter required, the Marriage Registrar shall issue under his hand a certificate of such notice having been given and of such oath having been made:

#### Proviso.—Provided—

that no lawful impediment be shown to his satisfaction why such certificate should not issue;

that the issue of such certificate has not been forbidden, in manner hereinafter mentioned, by any person authorized in that behalf by this Act;

that four days after the receipt of the notice have expired; and further; that where, by such oath, it appears that one of the parties intending marriage is a minor, fourteen days after the entry of such notice have expired.

- 42. Oath before issue of certificate.—The certificate mentioned in Section 41 shall not be issued by any Marriage Registrar, until one of the parties intending marriage appears personally before such Marriage Registrar, and makes oath—
  - (a) that he or she believes that there is not any impediment of kindred or affinity, or other lawful hindrance, to the said marriage, and
  - (b) that both the parties have, or (where they have dwelt in the districts of different Marriage Registrars) that the party making such oath has, had their, his or her usual place of abode within the district of such Marriage Registrar,
    - and, where either or each of the parties is a minor,
  - (c) that the consent or consents to such marriage required by law has or have been obtained thereto, or that there is no person resident in India authorized to give such consent, as the case may be.
- 43. Petition to High Court to order certificate in less than fourteen days.—
  When one of the parties, intending marriage is a minor, and both such parties are at the time resident in any of the towns of Calcutta, Madras and Bombay, and are desirous of being married in less than fourteen days after the entry of such notice as aforesaid, they may apply by petition to a Judge of the High Court, for an order upon the Marriage Registrar to whom the notice of marriage has been given, directing him to issue his certificate before the expiration of the said fourteen days required by Section 41.

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Order on petition.—And on sufficient cause being shown, the said Judge may, in his discretion, make an order upon such Marriage Registrar, directing him to issue his certificate at any time to be mentioned in the said order before the expiration of the fourteen days so required.

And the said Marriage Registrar, on receipt of the said order, shall issue his certificate in accordance therewith.

44. Consent of father or guardian.—The provisions of Section 19 apply to every marriage under this Part, either of the parties to which is a minor.

Protest against issue of certificate.—And any person whose consent to such marriage would be required thereunder may enter a protest against the issue of the Marriage Registrar's certificate, by writing, at any time before the issue of such certificate, the word "forbidden" opposite to the entry of the notice of such intended marriage in the Marriage-Notice-Book, and by subscribing thereto his or her name and place of abode, and his or her position with respect to either of the parties, by reason of which he or she is so authorised.

Effect of protest.—When such protest has been entered, no certificate shall issue until the Marriage Registrar has examined into the matter of the protest, and is satisfied that it ought not to obstruct the issue of the certificate for the said marriage, or until the protest be withdrawn by the person who entered it.

45. Petition where person whose consent is necessary is insane, or unjustly withholds consent.—If any person whose consent is necessary to any marriage under this part is of unsound mind,

or if any such person (other than the father) without just cause withholds his consent to the marriage,

the parties intending marriage may apply by petition, where the person whose consent is necessary is resident within any of the towns of Calcutta, Madras and Bombay, to a Judge of the High Court, or if he is not resident within any of the said towns, then to the District Judge.

Procedure on petition.—And the said Judge of the High Court, or District Judge, as the case may be, may examine the allegations of the petition in a summary way;

and, if upon examination such marriage appears proper, such Judge of the High Court or District Judge, as the case may be, shall declare the marriage to be a proper marriage.

Such declaration shall be as effectual as if the person whose consent was needed had consented to the marriage;

and, if he has forbidden the issue of the Marriage Registrar's certificate, such certificate shall be issued and the like proceedings may be had under this Part in relation to the marriage as if the issue of such certificate had not been forbidden.

46. Petition when Marriage Registrar refuses certificate.-Whenever a Marriage Registrar refuses to issue a certificate under this Part, either of the parties intending marriage may apply by petition, where the district of such Registrar is within any of the towns of Calcutta, Madras and Bombay, to a Judge of the High Court, or if such district is not within any of the said towns, then to the District Judge.

Procedure on petition.-The said Judge of the High Court, or District Judge, as the case may be, may examine the allegations of the petition in a summary way, and shall decide thereon.

The decision of such Judge of the High Court or District Judge, as the case may be, shall be final, and the Marriage Registrar to whom the application for the issue of a certificate was originally made shall proceed in accordance therewith.

- 47. [Petition when Marriage Registrar in Indian State refuses certificate.] Rep. by the A. O. 1950.
- 48. Petition when Registrar doubts authority of person forbidding.-Whenever a Marriage Registrar, acting under the provisions of Section 44, is not satisfied that the person forbidding the issue of the certificate is authorized by law so to do, the said Marriage Registrar shall apply by petition, where his district is within any of the towns of Calcutta, Madras and Bombay, to a Judge of the High Court, or if such district be not within any of the said towns, then to the District Judge.

Procedure on petition.—The said petition shall state all the circumstances of the case, and pray for the order and direction of the Court concerning the

and the said Judge of the High Court or District Judge, as the case may be, shall examine into the allegations of the petition and the circumstances of the case,

and if, upon such examination, it appears that the person forbidding the issue of such certificate is not authorized by law so to do, such Judge of the High Court or District Judge, as the case may be, shall declare that the person forbidding the issue of such certificate is not authorized as aforesaid,

and thereupon such certificate shall be issued, and the like proceedings may be had in relation to such marriage as if the issue had not been forbidden.

- 49. Liability for frivolous protest against issue of certificate.—Every person entering a protest with the Marriage Registrar, under this Part, against the issue of any certificate, on ground which such Marriage Registrar, under Section 44, or a Judge of the High Court or the District Judge, under Section 45 or 46, declares to be frivolous and such as ought not to obstruct the issue of the certificate, shall be liable for the costs of all proceedings in relation thereto and for damages, to be recovered by suit by the person against whose marriage such protest was entered.
- 50. Form of certificate.—The certificate to be issued by the Marriage Registrars under the provisions of Section 41 shall be in the form contained in the Second Schedule to this Act annexed or to the like effect,

and the State Government shall furnish to every Marriage Registrar a sufficient number of forms of certificate.

51. Solemnization of marriage after issue of certificate.—After the issue of the certificate of the Marriage Registrar,

or, where notice is required to be given under this Act to the Marriage Registrars for different districts, after the issue of the certificates of the Marriage Registrars for such districts,

marriage may, if there be no lawful impediment to the marriage of the parties described in such certificate or certificates, be solemnized between them, according to such form and ceremony as they think fit to adopt.

But every such marriage shall be solemnized in the presence of some Marriage Registrar (to whom shall be delivered such certificate or certificates [S. 52

as aforesaid), and of two, or more credible witnesses besides the Marriage Registrar.

And in some part of the ceremony each of the parties shall declare as follows, or to the like effect:—

"I do solemnly declare that I know not of any lawful impediment why I, A.B., may not be joined in matrimony to C. D."

And each of the parties shall say to the other as follows or to the like effect:—

"I call upon persons here present to witness that I, A.B., do take thee, C. D., to be my lawful wedded wife [or husband]."

52. When marriage not had within two months after notice, new notice required.—Whenever a marriage is not solemnized within two months after the copy of the notice has been entered by the Marriage Registrar, as required by Section 40, the notice and the certificate, if any, issued thereupon, and all other proceedings thereupon, shall be void;

and no person shall proceed to solemnize the marriage, nor shall any Marriage Registrar enter the same, until new notice has been given, and entry made, and certificate thereof given, at the time and in the manner aforesaid.

- 53. Marriage Registrar may ask for particulars to be registered.—A Marriage Registrar before whom any marriage is solemnized under this Part may ask of the persons to be married the several particulars required to be registered touching such marriage.
- 54. Registration of marriages solemnized under Part V.—After the solemnization of any marriage under this Part, the Marriage Registrar present at such solemnization shall forthwith register the marriage in duplicate; that is to say, in a marriage-register-book, according to the form of the Fourth Schedule hereto annexed, and also in a certificate attached to the marriage-register-book as a counterfoil.

The entry of such marriage in both the certificate and the marriage-register-book shall be signed by the person by or before whom the marriage has been solemnized, if there be any such person, and by the Marriage Registrar present at such marriage, whether or not it is solemnized by him, and also by the parties married, and attested by two credible witnesses other than the Marriage Registrar and person solemnizing the marriage.

Every such entry shall be made in order from the beginning to the end of the book, and the number of the certificate shall correspond with that of the entry in the marriage-register-book.

55. Certificates to be sent monthly to Registrar-General.—The Marriage-Registrar shall forthwith separate the certificate from the marriage-register, book and send it, at the end of every month, to the Registrar-General of Births Deaths and Marriages.

Custody of register-book.—The Marriage Registrar shall keep safely the said register-book until it is filled, and shall then send it to the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages, to be kept by him with the records of his office.

56. [Officers to whom Registrars in Indian States shall send certificates.] Rep. by the A. O. 1950.

57. Registrars to ascertain that notice and certificate are understood by Indian Christians.—When any Indian Christian about to be married gives a notice of marriage, or applies for a certificate from a Marriage Registrar, such Marriage Registrar shall ascertain whether the said Indian Christian understands the English language, and, if he does not, the Marriage Registrar shall translate, or cause to be translated, such notice or certificate, or both of them, as the case may be, to such Indian Christian into a language which he understands;

or the Marriage Registrar shall otherwise ascertain whether the Indian Christian is cognizant of the purport and effect of the said notice and certificate.

- 58. Indian Christians to be made to understand declarations.—When any Indian Christian is married under the provisions of this Part, the person solemnizing the marriage shall ascertain whether such Indian Christian understands the English language, and, if he does not, the person solemnizing the marriage shall, at the time of the solemnization, translate, or cause to be translated, to such Indian Christian, into a language which he understands, the declarations made at such marriage in accordance with the provisions of this Act.
- 59. Registration of marriages between Indian Christians.—The registration of marriages between Indian Christians under this Part shall be made in conformity with the rules laid down in Section 37 (so far as they are applicable), and not otherwise.

#### PART VI

#### MARRIAGE OF INDIAN CHRISTIANS

- \*60. On what conditions marriages of Indian Christians may be certified.—
  Every marriage between Indian Christians applying for a certificate, shall, without the preliminary notice required under Part III, be certified under this Part, if the following conditions be fulfilled, and not otherwise:—
  - (1) the age of the man intending to be married shall not be under twentyone years and the age of the woman intending to be married shall not be under eighteen years;
  - (2) neither of the persons intending to be married shall have a wife or husband still living;
  - (3) in the presence of a person licensed under Section 9, and of at least two credible witnesses other than such person, each of the parties shall say to the other—

"I call upon these persons here present to witness that I, A. B., in the presence of Almighty God, and in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, do take thee, C. D., to be my lawful wedded wife or husband" or words to the like effect:

61. Grant of certificate.—When, in respect to any marriage solemnized under this Part, the conditions prescribed in Section 60 have been fulfilled, the person licensed as aforesaid, in whose presence the said declaration has been made, shall, on the application of either of the parties to such marriage, and, on the payment of a fee of four annas, grant a certificate of the marriage.

The certificate shall be signed by such licensed person, and shall be received in any suit touching the validity of such marriage as conclusive proof of its having been performed.

<sup>\*</sup> See also Marriage Validation Act, 1892.

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62. Keeping of register-book and deposit of extract therefrom with Registrar General.—(1) Every person licensed under Section 9 shall keep in English, or in the vernacular language in ordinary use in the district or State in which the marriage was solemnized, and in such form as the State Government by which he was licensed may from time to time prescribe, a register-book of all marriages solemnized under this Part in his presence, and shall deposit in the office of the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages for the territories under the administration of the said State Government, in such form and at such intervals as that Government may prescribe, true and duly authenticated extract from his register-book of all entries made therein since the last of those intervals.

63. Searches in register-book and copies of entries.—Every person licensed under this Act to grant certificates of marriage, and keeping a marriage-register-book under Section 62, shall, at all reasonable times, allow search to be made in such book, and shall, on payment of the proper fee, give a copy, certified under his hand, of any entry therein.

- 64. Books in which marriages of Indian Christian under Part I or Part III are registered.—The provisions of Sections 62 and 63, as to the form of the register-book, depositing extracts therefrom, allowing searches thereof, and giving copies of the entries therein, shall, mutatis mutandis, apply to the books kept under Section 37.
- 65. Part VI not to apply to Roman Catholics. Saving of certain marriages.—This Part of this Act, except so much of Sections 62 and 63 as are referred to in Section 64, shall not apply to marriages between Roman Catholics. But nothing herein contained shall invalidate any marriage celebrated between Roman Catholics under the provisions of Part V of Act No. 25 of 1864, previous to the twenty-third day of February, 1865.

#### PART VII PENALTIES

- 66. False oath, declaration, notice or certificate for procuring marriage.— Whoever, for the purpose of procuring a marriage or licence of marriage, intentionally,—
  - (a) where an oath or declaration is required by this Act, or by any rule or custom of a Church according to the rites and ceremonies of which a marriage is intended to be solemnized, such Church being the Church of England or of Scotland or of Rome, makes a false oath of declaration or,
  - (b) where a notice or certificate is required by this Act, signs a false notice or certificate,

shall be deemed to have committed the offence punishable under Section 193 of the Indian Penal Code with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to three years and, at the discretion of the Court, with fine.

67. Forbidding by false personation, issue of certificate by Marriage Registrar.—Whoever forbids the issue, by a Marriage Registrar, of a certificate, by falsely representing himself to be a person whose consent to the marriage is required by law, knowing or believing such representation to be false, or not having reason to believe it to be true, shall be deemed guilty of the offence described in Section 205 of the Indian Penal Code (45 of 1860).

68. Solemnizing marriage without due authority.—Whoever, not being authorized by Section 5 of this Act to solemnize marriages, solemnizes or professes to solemnize, in the absence of a Marriage Registrar of the district in which the ceremony takes place, a marriage between persons one or both of whom is or are a Christian or Christians, shall be punished with imprisonment which may extend to ten years, or (in lieu of a sentence of imprisonment for seven years or upwards) with transportation for a term of not less than seven years, and not exceeding ten years,

and shall also be liable to fine.

69. Solemnizing marriage out of proper time, or without witnesses.—Whoever knowingly and wilfully solemnizes a marriage between persons, one or both of whom is or are a Christian or Christians, at any time other than between the hours of six in the morning and seven in the evening, or in the absence of at least two credible witnesses other than the person solemnizing the marriage, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, and shall also be liable to fine.

Saving of marriages solemnized under special licence.—This section does not apply to marriages solemnized under special licences granted by the Anglican Bishop of the Diocese or by his Commisary, nor to marriages performed between the hours of seven in the evening and six in the morning by a Clergyman of the Church of Rome, when he has received the general or special licence in that behalf mentioned in Section 10.

Nor does this section apply to marriages solemnized by a Clergyman of the Church of Scotland according to the rules, rites, ceremonies and customs of the Church of Scotland.

- 70. Solemnizing, without notice or within fourteen days after notice, marriage with minor.—Any Minister of Religion licensed to solemnize marriages under this Act, who, without a notice in writing, or, when one of the parties to the marriage is a minor and the required consent of the parents or guardians to such marrige has not been obtained, within fourteen days after the receipt by him of notice of such marriage, knowingly and wilfully solemnizes a marriage under Part III, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, and shall also be liable to fine.
- 71. Issuing certificate, or marrying, without publication of notice.—A Marriage Registrar under this Act, who commits any of the following offences:—
  - (1) knowingly and wilfully issues any certificate for marriage, or solemnizes any marriage, without publishing the notice of such marriage as directed by this Act;
  - (2) Marrying after expiry of notice;—after the expiration of two months after the copy of the notice has been entered as required by Section 40 in respect of any marriage, solemnizes such marriage;
  - (3) Solemnizing marriage with minor within fourteen days, without authority of Court or without sending copy of notice;—solemnizes, without an order of a competent Court authorizing him to do so, any marriage, when one of the parties is a minor, before the expiration of fourteen days after the receipt of the notice of such marriage, or without sending, by the post or otherwise, a copy of such notice to the Senior Marriage Registrar of the district if there be more Marriage Registrars of the district than one, and if he himself be not the Senior Marriage Registrar;

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(4) Issuing certificate against authorized prohibition.— ssues any certificate the issue of which has been prohibited, as in this Act provided, by any person authorized to prohibit the issue thereof,

shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to five years, and shall also be liable to fine.

72. Issuing certificate after expiry of notice, or, in case of minor, within fourteen days after notice, or against authorized prohibition.—Any Marriage Registrar knowingly and wilfully issuing any certificate for marriage after the expiration of two months after the notice has been entered by him as aforesaid,

or knowingly and wilfully issuing, without the order of a competent Court authorizing him so to do, any certificate for marriage, where one of the parties intending marriage is a minor, before the expiration of fourteen days after the entry of such notice, or any certificate the issue of which has been forbidden as aforesaid by any person authorized in this behalf,

shall be deemed to have committed an offence under Section 166 of the Indian Penal Code (45 of 1860).

73. Persons authorized to solemnize marriage (other than Clergy of Churches England, Scotland or Rome).—Whoever, being authorized under this Act to solemnize a marriage,

and not being a Clergyman of the Church of England solemnizing a marriage after due publication of banns, or under a licence from the Anglican Bishop of the Diocese or a Surrogate duly authorized in that behalf,

or, not being a Clergyman of the Church of Scotland, solemnizing a marriage according to the rules, rites, ceremonies and customs of that church,

or, not being a Clergyman of the Church of Rome, solemnizing a marriage according to the rites, rules, ceremonies and customs of that church,

Issuing certificate, or marrying, without publishing notice, or after expiry of certificate;—knowingly and wilfully issues any certificate for marriage under this Act, or solemnizes any marriage between such persons as aforesaid, without publishing, or causing to be affixed, the notice of such marriage as directed in Part III of this Act, or after the expiration of two months after the certificate has been issued by him;

Issuing certificate for, or solemnizing marriage with minor, within fourteen days after notice;—or knowingly and wilfully issues any certificate for marriage, or solemnizes a marriage between such persons when one of the persons intending marriage is a minor, before the expiration of fourteen days after the receipt of notice of such marriage, or without sending, by the post or otherwise, a copy of such notice to the Marriage Registrar, or, if there be more Marriage Registrars than one, to the Senior Marriage Registrar of the district:

Issuing certificate authorizedly forbidden;—or knowingly and wilfully issues any certificate the issue of which has been forbidden, under this Act, by any person authorized to forbid the issue;

Solemnizing marriage authorizedly forbidden.—or knowingly and wilfully solemnizes any marriage forbidden by any person authorized to forbid the same; shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to four years, and shall also be liable to fine.

74. Unlicensed person granting certificate pretending to be licensed.—Whoever, not being licensed to grant a certificate of marriage under Part VI of this

Act, grants such certificate intending thereby to make it appear that he is so licensed, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to five years, and shall also be liable to fine.

Whoever, being licensed to grant certificates of marriage under Part VI of this Act, without just cause refuses, or wilfully neglects or omits, to perform any of the duties imposed upon him by that Part shall be punished with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.

75. Destroying or falsifying register-books.—Whoever, by himself or another, wilfully destroys or injures any register-book or the counterfoil certificates thereof, or any part thereof, or any authenticated extract therefrom,

or falsely makes or counterfeits any part of such register-book or counterfoil certificates,

or wilfully inserts any false entry in any such register-book or counterfoil certificate or authenticated extract,

shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to seven years, and shall also be liable to fine.

\*76. Limitation of prosecutions under Act.—The prosecution for every offence punishable under this Act shall be commenced within two years after the offence is committed.

#### PART VIII MISCELLANEOUS

77. What matters need not be proved in respect of marriage in accordance with Act.—Whenever any marriage has been solemnized in accordance with the provisions of Sections 4 and 5, it shall not be void merely on account of any irregularity in respect of any of the following matters, namely:—

(1) any statement made in regard to the dwelling of the persons married, or to the consent of any person whose consent to such marriage is required by law;

(2) the notice of the marriage;

(3) the certificate or translation thereof;

(4) the time and place at which marriage has been solemnized;

(5) the registration of the marriage.

#### NOTES

An incorrect statement as to residence of a party to marriage is a mere irregularity which does not render marriage void. (1969) 73 Cal WN 1001.

78. Corrections or errors.—Every person charged with the duty of registering any marriage, who discovers any error in the form or substance of any such entry, may within one month next after the discovery of such error, in the presence of the persons married, or, in case of their death or absence, in the presence of two other credible witnesses, correct the error by entry in the margin, without any alteration of the original entry, and shall sign the marginal entry, and add thereto the date of such correction, and such person shall make the like marginal entry in the certificate thereof.

And every entry made under this section shall be attested by the witnesses in whose presence it was made.

And, in case such certificate has been already sent to the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages, such person shall make and send in like manner

<sup>\*</sup> See also Ss. 468 to 470, Cr. P. C., 1973.

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a separate certificate of the original erroneous entry, and of the marginal correction therein made.

79. Searches and copies of entries.—Every person solemnizing a marriage under this Act, and hereby required to register the same,

and every Marriage Registrar or Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages having the custody for the time being of any register of marriages, or of any certificate, or duplicate, or copies of certificate, under this Act, shall, on payment of the proper fees, at all reasonable times, allow searches to be made in such register, or for such certificate, or duplicate or copies, and give a copy under his hand of any entry in the same.

- 80. Certified copy of entry in marriage register, etc., to be evidence.—Every certified copy, purporting to be signed by the person entrusted under this Act with the custody of any marriage-register or certificate, or duplicate, required to be kept or delivered under this Act, of any entry of a marriage in such register or of any such certificate or duplicate, shall be received evidence of the marriage purporting to be so entered, or of the facts purporting to be so certified therein. without further proof of such register or certificate, or duplicate, or of any entry therein, respectively, or of such copy.
- 81. Certificates of certain marriages to be sent to Central Government.— The Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages shall, at the end of every quarter in each year, select, from the certificates of marriages forwarded to him, during such quarter, the certificates of the marriages of which the Government by whom he was appointed may desire that evidence shall be transmitted to England, and shall send the same certificates, signed by him to the Central Government.
- 82. State Government to prescribe fees.—Fees shall be chargeable under this Act for-

receiving and publishing notices of marriages;

issuing certificates for marriage by Marriage Registrars, and registering marriages by the same;

entering protests against, or prohibitions of, the issue of certificates for marriage by the said Registrars;

searching register-books or certificates, or duplicates, or copies thereof; giving copies of entries in the same under Sections 63 and 79.

The State Government shall fix the amount of such fees respectively, and may form time to time vary or remit them either generally or in special cases, as to it may seem fit.

- 83. Power to make rules.—The State Government may make rules in regard to the disposal of the fees mentioned in Section 82, the supply of registerbooks, and the preparation and submission of returns of marriages solemnized under this Act.
- 84. [Power to prescribe fees and rules for Indian States.] Rep. by the A.O. 1950.
- 85. Power to declare who shall be District Judge.—The State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, declare who shall, in any place to which this Act applies, be deemed to be the District Judge.
- 86. [Powers and functions exercisable as regards Indian States.] Rep. by the A. O. 1950.

- 87. Saving of Consular marriages.—Nothing in this Act applies to any marriage performed by any Minister, Consul, or Consular Agent between subjects of the State which he represents and according to the laws of such State.
- 88. Non-validation of marriages within prohibited degrees.-Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to validate any marriage which the personal law applicable to either of the parties forbids him or her to enter into.

#### SCHEDULE I

(See Sections 12 and 38)

#### NOTICE OF MARRIAGE

To

a Minister [or Registrar] of

I hereby give you notice that a marriage is intended to be had, within three calendar months from the date hereof, between me and the other party herein named and described (that is to say) :-

Martha Green	James Smith	Names
Spinster	Widower	Condition
	Carpenter	Rank or profession
Minor	Of full age	Age
20, Hastings Street	16, Clive Street	Dwelling place
More than a month	23 days	Length of residence
Free Church of Scotland	Church, Calcutta	Church, chapel or place of worship in which the marri- age is to be solemnized
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Witness my hand, this

day of seventy-two.

(Signed) JAMES SMITH

(The italics in the Schedule are to be filled up, as the case may be, and the blank division thereof is only to be filled up when one of the parties lives in another district).

#### SCHEDULE II

(See Sections 24 and 50)

#### CERTIFICATE OF RECEIPT OF NOTICE

I, do hereby certify that, on the day of , notice was duly entered in my Marriage Notice Book of the marriage intended between the parties therein named and described, delivered under the hand of , one of the parties (that is to say):—

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		District in which the other party resides, when the parties dwell in different districts

and that the declaration, or oath required by Section 17 or 41 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act, 1872 (15 of 1872), has been duly made by the said (James Smith).

Date of notice entered Date of Certificate given The issue of this certificate has not been prohibited by any person authorized to forbid the issue thereof.

Witness my hand, this

day of

seventy-two.

(Signed)

This certificate will be void, unless the marriage is solemnized on or before the day of

(The *italics* in the Schedule are to be filled up, as the case may be, and the blank division thereof is only to be filled up when one of the parties lives in another district).

SCHEDULE III

(See Sections 28 and 31)

FORM OF REGISTER OF MARRIAGES

Quarterly Returns

of Marriages for

The Archdeaconry of

{ Calcutta, Madras, Bombay,

I, , Registrar of the Archdeaconry of

Calcutta, Madras, Bombay,

do hereby certify that the annexed are correct copies of the originals and Official Quarterly Returns of Marriage within the Archdeaconry.

Calcutta, Madras, Bombay,

as made and transmitted to me for the quarter commencing

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[Signature of Registrar]

Registrar of the Archdeaconry of  $\begin{cases} & Calcutta, \\ & Madras, \\ & Bombay, \end{cases}$ 

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SCHEDULE V.—[Enactments repealed.] Rep. by the Repealing Act, 1938 1938 (1 of 1938), Section 2 and Schedule, Pt. I.

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Through the Commissioner, Ranchi

Subject: Issue of License to the Pastors of the G.E.L. Church in Chotanagpur & Assam for Births & Deaths

I bege to state that I am an ordained Minister of Religion belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam, Ranchi. At preent I am posted at aELichuch, Baghima.

As a pastor I am called upon to perform the religious rights both for Births and deaths of members of the GEL Church members . I have also to keep a record for the births & deaths.

I therefore request you to be kind enough to grant me a license in the jurisdiction of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_as I am likely to be transferred from one district to another.

The recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) is enclosed in support of my application.

Date 31/8/1987.

Place Bayhims.

Yours faithfully,

Name Phiram Ponnad Kiro

Place Kommenjaa (yhalitari)

P.O. Lathakhamhan

District gumla

#### RECOMMENDATION CERTIFICATE

He requires a licence under Section 6 and 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act. XV of 1872 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of . . . . . . . . . . . . as he is likely to be transferred from one district to the other.

He is called upon to conduct burials of Christians and as such needs to be appointed as a Registrar of Birth and deaths.

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Dated . 31/8/87. .

Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) GEL CHURCH, RANCHI

Pramukh Adhyakah, (PRESIDENT)

G. M. L. CHURCH IN GHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM, RANCH)

The Secretary (Revenue)
Land Reforms,
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Through The Commissioner, Ranchi

Sub : Issue of Marriage License to the pastors of GEL Church

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I therefore request you to be kind enough to grant me a license under Section 6 & 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act of 1872under the jurisdiction of Bihan as I amlikely to be transferred from one district to another.

The recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) is enclosed in support of the application.

Date 30.8.87
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Yours faithfully,

Name Rev. Komal Dunpoling
Place G.E.L.C. Simdage (Bidnatoli

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District Gumla

# RECOMMENDATION CERTIFICATE

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He requires a licence under Section 6 and 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act. XV of 1872 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of <u>Prihar</u> as he is likely to be transferred from one district to the other.

He is called upon to conduct burials of Christians and as such needs to be appointed as a Registrar of Births and deaths.

Recommended that Rev. Kamal Dungdung be granted licence for marriage under Section 6 and 9 of the I.C.M.A. XV of 1872 and be appointed as Registrar under Act VI of 1886 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of the Government of

Date 3/18187

Pramukh Adhyaksh (President)

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Yours faithfully,

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Rev. M. Tete

Secretary
Mr. P. Topno

Treasurer
Mr. B. Minz

Head Office:
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi
Bihar/India Phone 23358

Ref No.

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## RECOMMENDATION CERTIFICATE

Certified that RevoChrist Hardugan Tuti a Minister of religion belongs to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam & Orissa(a Non-Episcopal Protestant Church) He has been appointed as Minister of religion on 26th Oct. 56 and has been posted at present in GEL Church Barsuwan, PO.Bar suan, DistoSundargarh in the State of Orissa.

He requires a Licence under section 6 and 9 of the mass Indian Christian Marriage Act. XV of 1972 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of GEL Church, as he is likely to be transfered from one distraict to another district of Orissa State.

He is called upon to conduct burials of Christians and as such needs to be appointed as Registrar of Births and Deaths.

Recommended that Rev.Christ Hardugan Tuti be granted be License under Section 6 and 9 of the I.C.M.A. XV under Act. VI of 1886 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of the Government of Orissa.

Dated: 11/2/87

(Rev.S.Mohan M.G.)
Pramukh Adhyaksh
(President)
G.E.L.Church, Ranchi.

Pramukh Adhyakah,
(PRESIDENT)
G.E.L. CHUROH IN
CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM. RANCHI.

Certified that Rev. Anandmasih Ainda Minister Religion belongs to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam (a non-Episcopal Protestant Church). He has been appointed as Minister of Religion on 19 octo-1986 and has been posted at E. E. L. Church Covindpur

He requires a licence under Section 6 and 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act. XV of 1872 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of Q.F. /. church he is likely to be transferred from one district to the other.

He is called upon to conduct burials of Christians and as such needs to be appointed as a Registrar of Births and deaths.

Recommended that Rev. Ananamasih. Aind be granted licence for marriage under Section 6 and 9 of the I.C.M.A. of 1872 and be appointed as Registrar under Act VI of 1886 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of the Government of

Date 14.11. Q6

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The Registrar General, Births & Deaths Government of Bihar New Secreteriat Bailey Road Patna - 1

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Through the Commissioner, Ranchi

Subject: Issue of License to the Pastors of the G.E.L. Church in Chotanagpur & Assam for Births & Deaths

I bege to state that I am an ordained Minister of
Religion belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church
in Chotanagpur & Assam, Ranchi. At preent I am posted at G. K.
Church Grandpur p.s. Karra Di Ranchi Bhar

As a pastor I am called upon to perform the religious rights both for Births and deaths of members of the GEL Church members. I have also to keep a record for the births & deaths.

I therefore request you to be kind enough to grant
me a license in the jurisdiction of Albar
as I am likely to be transferred from one district to another.

The recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) is enclosed in support of my application.

Place Governdpux.

Yours faithfully,

Name Rev Anandmach Aind

Place Govindpur

P.O. Govindpur

District Ranch

The Secretary (Revenue)
Land Reforms,
Government of Bihar
Old Secreteriat
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Through The Commissioner, Ranchi

Sub : Issue of Marriage License to the pastors of GEL Church

I beg to state that I am an ordained Minister of Religion belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam (a non-Episcopal Church). At present I am posted at GEL Church

s a pastor I am called upon to solemnise of the Christians who belong to the GEL Church and baptise the children of Christians parents and keep records.

I therefore request you to be kind enough to grant me a license under Section 6 & 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act of 1872under the jurisdiction of Ahar as I amlikely to be transferred from one district to another.

The recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) is enclosed in support of the application.

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Place Covindpur
P.O. Govindpur
District Ranchi Bihar

## GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM

(Regd. under Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860)

Vide No. 273 - I of 30-7-1921

HEAD OFFICE

G. E. L. Church Ranchi

Pramukh Adhyaksh Rev. S. Mohan MG

Up Pramukh Adhyaksh Rev. M. Tete

Secretary Mr. P. Topno

Mr. B. Minz

Bihar/India Phone 23358

Date 25-3--- &

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सकेल श्रीफिसर. शहरी बोच, रांची।

विषय : पाद्री पांचुस मिंज की शादी लाइसेंस देने के संबंध में

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From. Rev. K. Kullu. Dhandhipri. Basti

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FROM The Registrar General of Births,

Deaths & Marriages, West Bengal

To Rev. Keora Kullu

Mirjangla Dhandhipri Basti, P.O. Belgachi T.E.,
Dist. Darjeeling

Subject— বিষয়বস্তু— Dated... 23.4.85-

with reference to his letter dated 3-4-85 he is informed that decision of Govt. has not yet been received in this Directorate. However, Govt. has again been requested to expedite the same.

The decision of Govt. may be awaited.

Registrar General of Births, Deaths & Marriages, West Bengal

mm:19-4-85

APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE LICENCE UNDER THE INDIAN CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE ACT -- 1872 (AC XV OF -1872 ) TO.

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2. Mission to which the applicant	belongs gossoner Evengin a
	, Audinga
3. Residence of the applicant. Vi	
Р.	.o. <u>Kuchinda</u>
P.	s. Kuchinda
Di	ist. Sambalpur
4. Whether the licence is a minis	ster of
. religion or not .	yes
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. ( Is under section 6 or 9 of	the C.M. Act.) of the ICM Aut XV
6. Whether the applicant was pres	viously licensed 2 1872
or not.	- yes
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Station. Kuchinda	Ralgangpur
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The District Magistrate,	cant.
Sambalpur.	

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Through the Commissioner, Ranchi

Subject: Issue of License to the Pastors of the G.E.L. Church in Chotanagpur & Assam for Births & Deaths

I bege to state that I am an ordained Minister of Religion belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam, Ranchi. At preent I am posted at SARNATOLY

As a pastor I am called upon to perform the religious rights both for Births and deaths of members of the GEL Church members . I have also to keep a record for the births & deaths.

I therefore request you to be kind enough to grant me a license in the jurisdiction of BIHAR STATE as I am likely to be transferred from one district to another.

The recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) is enclosed in support of my application.

Date 3-10-85.
Place SARNA TOLY.

Yours faithfully,

Name Rox SUSHIL KUMARHORD

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of Religion belongs to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam (a non-Episcopal Protestant Church). He has been appointed as Minister of Religion on 19th Eb. 1984 and has been posted at S.E.L. CHORCH SARNATOLY

He requires a licence under Section 6 and 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act. XV of 1872 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of BIHAR as he is likely to be transferred from one district to the other.

He is called upon to conduct burials of Christians and as such needs to be appointed as a Registrar of Births and deaths.

Recommended that Rev. SUSHIL KUMAR Horn be granted licence for marriage under Section 6 and 9 of the I.C.M.A. XV of 1872 and be appointed as Registrar under Act VI of 1886 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of the Government of QILLAR

Date 3-10-85

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Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) GEL CHURCH, RANCHI

Pramukh Adhyaksh ( President )

G.i.L. Church in hotanagpur and Assam, Panchi.

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# GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM

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I. R. S.
Income Tax Officer,
(Retd)

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Hon.
Office Secretary
Rev. G. B. Minz

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Mrs. M. Minz

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सेवा में,

पाड़ी टी॰ किस्पीटा, इलाका वैयर्भेन पी॰ डं॰ एत॰ वर्ष गुमला इलाका पी॰ बो॰ - गुमला जिला- गुमला।

विष्य :- कुरेराम उच्च विद्यालय प्रवस्थकारियी समिति के बहुमीयन के संबंध में।

महा सब,

नीर्थ- वेस्टर्न अंक्स, जी० बं० स्त० वर्ष दिनांक १७ -१-८५, पारित कं ३ यापकी जानती एवं बावश्यक कार्यवाची हेतु प्रैणित किया जाता है। :- पारित सं० ३ गुमला के लुपेरान नध्य वियालय बाँच लुपेरान उच्च विवालय के प्रसन्ध कारिशी सिर्मा का बसुमीचन।

उक्ष भंगत जीवर्ड विश्व नर्न सर्व सम्मति से दुधेरान उच्च विश्वालय गुनला की प्रकच्च कारियी समिति का अनुमौदन करती है।

खैरान उच्च विद्यालय गुनला की प्रवन्धकारियी समिति :-

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	श्री मलाकी मिंग ( ,, )	"

प्रतिलिपि :१-प्रसुत बध्यता, बी०ई० स्त० वर्षः, रांची।
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३-स्त०डी०बी० , गुमता। (एस्ट डी०ई० ओ०)
४-बार्०डी०डी०, रांची।
५-प्रधानाध्यापक, तुथरान उच्च विचातम, गुमता।

त्रापका विश्वस्क

(रेफ एस० टीप्पी) वध्यता

ADHYAKSH, .
North Western Anchal
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM

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Ref. No. 611 /85/KS8 - 12

Date Sept. 11, 1985

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The Registrar of Marriage, Birth & Deaths Delhi Administration Union Territory of Delhi Tees Hazari Court DELNI.

Subject: Grant of licenses u/s 629 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872 to Rev. J.Borun Biswas, a Minister of Religion belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church (non-episcopal) for the territory under the jurisdiction of Union Territory Delhi.

Sir,

I am enclosing herewith an application in triplicate of Rev. J. Borun Biswas a Minister of Religion (Priest) belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church for the grant of licenses u/s 629 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872 for the entire territory under the jurisdiction of the Union Territory of Delhi.

I am the President (Pramukh Adhyaksh) of the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church with head quarters at Ranchi (Bihar). Rev.J.Borun Biswas was ordained on 8.5.1983 as a Minister of Religion (Priest) of the said church and has been posted at New Delhi for shepherding the congregation of the said church. The members of the said church living within the territorial jurisdiction of the Union Territory of Delhi are employes of Central Government, Delhi Administration, Public Undertakings and Private firms. Many of them have permently settled at the Union territory.

As a Prist, Rev. Borun Biswas is called upon to solemnise marriage of persons both of whom are Christian or one of them is a Christian as such he requires licence u/s 6&9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872 for which he is applying.

I am forwading his application and endorse that he may be granted licence u/s 600 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872 for the entire territory under the jurisdiction of the Union Territory of Delhi

Yours faithfully,

(Rev. Surendra Mohan MG.)

Prisident Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church, Eanchi(Bihar)

Tel.: 388383

# Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church

IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM

(Regd. under Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860) Vide No. 237-J of 30-7-1921

#### **NEW DELHI CONGREGATION**

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Pastor-Rev. J. BORUN BISWAS

Head Office : G. E. L. CHURCH RANCHI Office:

2, MAHADEV ROAD, NEW DELHI-110001

Ref No GEHC/ND/ 85.

Dated 15.8.85-

To the Promute Adhyatsh G.f.L. Church Chottamogypur and Assom.

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Rev.J.Borun Biswas
Pastor, Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church
New Delhi Congregation.
C/O Shri.N.Mundu
40/2 Andrewsganj,
New Delhi 110049

To.

The Registrar
Marraige, Births & Deaths
Delhi Administration
Union Territory of Delhi
Tees Hazari Court
Delhi.

Subject:- Grant of License u/s 6%9 of the Indian Christian Marriage
Act 1872 to Rev.J.Borun Biswas, a Minister of Religion
belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church
(Non-Episcopal) for the territory under jurisdiction of
Union Territory Delhi.

Sir,

I have to state that I am an Ordained Priest(Minister Of Religion) belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church a non-episcopal Church with headquartersat Ranchi(Bihar).

That I have been posted to New Delhi for the shepherding of members of the said church who are spread over in different areas of the territorys under the Delhi Adminstration. Many of them have permanently settled down and many are working in Central Government, Union Territoryal Adminstration Delhi, Public Undertakings and in private firms.

The christians belonging to the said Gossner Evanelical Lutheran Church have been functioning as a congregation under my care since August 1985 and a Congregational Committee assists me in my work.

As a priest of the said Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church I am called upon to solemnise marriages of persons both of whom are members of the said church or one of whom is a christian. I have also to beptise and bury the dead according to the rules and the customs of the said church enable me to perform marriages of christans and to register them as per provisions of the Indian Christian Marriage

Act 1872. Wincexkhe said MIN.E. Shurch I need license u/s 6&9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872. Since the said G.E.L. Church is a non-episcopal church (where the head of the church is not a Bishop) licenses water u/s 6&9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872 has to be granted by the Lt. Governor.

I am therefore, applying for grant of licenses u/s 6&9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872 in triplicate and enclose:

- (i) Recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh, Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ranchi (Bihar)
- (ii) Three copies of the constitution of the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church for your perusal and consideration, and request that the licenses may be granted to me at an early date for the entire territory under the jurisdiction of the Union Territory of Delhi.

Dated July 1985 New Delhi Yours faithfully

(Rev. J.Borun Biswas ) 75/8/85

Priest (Ministry of Religion )
Gossner Evanelical Lutheran Church
New Delhi Congregation.

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To

The Registrar of Marriage, Birth & Deaths
Delhi Administration
Union Territory of Delhi
Tees Hazari Court
Delhi.

Subject:- Grant of licenses u/s 6&9 of the Indian Christian Marriage
Act 1872 to Rev.J.Borun Biswas, a Minister of Religion belonging
to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church (non-episcopal) for
the territory under the jurisdiction of Union Territory Delhi.

Sir,

#### T have to state that

I am enclosing herewith an application in triplicate of Rev.J.Borun Biswas a Minister of Religion (Priest) belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church for the grant of linenses u/s6%9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872 for the entire territory under the jurisdiction of the Union Territory of Delhi.

I am the President(Pramukh Adhyaksh) of the Gossner Evanelical Lutheran Church with headquarters at Ranchi (Bihar). Rev.J.Borun Biswas was ordained on 8.5.1983 as a Minister of Religion(Priest) of the said church and has been posted at New Delhi for spepherding the congregation of the said church. The members of the said Church living within the territorial jurisdiction of the Union Territory of Delhi are employes of Central Government, Delhi Administration, Public Undertakings and Private firms. Many of them have permently settled at the Union territory.

As a Prist, Rev Borun Biswas is called upon to solemnise marriag of persons both of whom are Christian or one of them is a Christian as such he requires licence u/s 689 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872 for which he is applying.

I am forwading his application and endorse that he may be granted lifence u/s 6&9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act 1872 for the entire territory under the jurisdiction of the Union Territory of Delhi.

Yours faithfully

( Rev.Surndra Mohan M.G ) Prisident

Gossner Evanglical Luther Church , Ranchi (Bihar)

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## GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, ASSAM ANCHAL

Bamuni Hills, TEZPUR-784001 Dist: Sonitpur

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et. No 177/96

Secretary

The Pramukh Adhyaksh, G.E.L.Church, Ranchi.

> Sub: - Ordination of Cate Paul Khess, Christian-Para and Cate W. Korkoria Chabua (Sialkati) for Pastoral ministry in Assam Anchal.

Dear gir,

Your kind attention on this subject mentioned above is drawn to refer our letter No/ IZ: 92 Dt. 13.5.85, with a request to take neccessary action to ordain above mentioned Pracharaks for Pastoral ministry within Assam Anchal. Their training required as Per KSS decission will be completed by the end of May '85. Their Thalar will be ready before 30.5.85. here at Tezpur

The Anchal requests you to ordain these Catechists soon preferable on 2.6.85 or its nearing date and oblige. Hope to hear soon from your end.

> Thanks. APUR-45SAM

Yours | Sincerely,

Karlelles (Rev.C.S.B.HCRO)

ADHYAKSH G.E.L.CHURCH, ASSAM ANCHAL.

Kindly intimate us regarding four coming to Topur for ordination, so that necessary amangement for ordination tould be made in due course, legletter

The Registrar General Births & Deaths Government of Bihar New Secreteriat Bailey Road Patna - 1

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Through the Commissioner, Ranchi Gumla

Subject: Issue of License to the Pastors of the G.E.L. Church in Chotanagpur & Assam for Births & Deaths

I bege to state that I am an ordained Minister of
Religion belonging to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church
in Chotanagpur & Assam, Ranchi. At preent I am posted at
GEL Church Deback Ranchi

As a pastor I am called upon to perform the religious rights both for Births and deaths of members of the GEL Church members . I have also to keep a record for the births & deaths.

The recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) is enclosed in support of my application.

Date_	30-5-85	
Place_	Debadih	

Yours faithful	ly,
Name Rev. Johnson	Lakra
Place Debaolik	
P.O. Hinoo	
District Ranchi	

Certified that Rev. Johnson Lakra a Minister of Religion belongs to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam (a non-Episcopal Protestant Church). He has been appointed as Minister of Religion on 19th Feb. 1984 and has been posted at Debadih

He requires a license under Section 6 and 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act XV of 1872 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of Bikar as he is likely to be transferred from one district to the other.

He is called upon to conduct burials of Christians and as such needs to be appointed as a Registrar of Births and Deaths.

Recommended that Rev. Johnson Lakra be granted license for marriages under Section 6 and 9 of the I.C.M.A. AV of 1872 and be appointed as Registrar under Act VI of 1886 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of the Government of Bikar.

Date 30-5-85

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Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) GEL Church, RANCH

& ASSAM. RANCHI.

The Secretary (Revenue)
Land Reforms,
Government of Bihar
Old Secreteriat
PATNA-1

Through The Commissioner, Ranchi Gamla

Sub : Issue of Marriage License to the pastors of GEL Church

s a pastor I am called upon to solemnise of the Christians who belong to the GEL Church and baptise the children of Christians parents and keep records.

I therefore request you to be kind enough to grant me a license under Section 6 & 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act of 1872under the jurisdiction of as I amlikely to be transferred from one district to another.

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Place Debadih

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District Ranchi

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G. F. L. Church Naevach

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I therefore request you to be kind enough to grant me a license in the jurisdiction of Biliar as I am likely to be transferred from one district to another.

The recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) is enclosed in support of my application.

Date 4.5.85.

Place Nawadih.

Name Rev. Nelson Topro
Place Nawadih
P.O. Raj Chain pur Nawadih
District Palaman.

of Religion belongs to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran
Church in Chotanagpur & Assam (a non-Episcopal Protestant
Church). He has been appointed as Minister of Religion on
The Oct 1985 and has been posted at Lai Chain par Mawaelik

He requires a license under Section 6 and 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act XV of 1872 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of Bilar as he is likely to be transferred from one district to the other.

He is called upon to conduct burials of Christians and as such needs to be appointed as a Registrar of Births and Deaths.

Recommended that Rev. Nolson Topno be granted license for marriages under Section 6 and 9 of the I.C.M.A. XV of 1872 and be appointed as Registrar under Act VI of 1886 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of the Government of Bilar.

Date 4 . 5 . 85

Pranukh Adhyaksh

Pramukh Adhyaksh (President)
GEL Church, RANCHI

(PRESIDENT)
G. H. L. CHUNCH IN
CHOCARACTER & ASSAM, RANCHI

The Secretary (Revenue)
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Government of Bihar
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Through The Commissioner, Ranchi (Dalumau)

Sub : Issue of Marriage License to the pastors of GEL Church

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Date 1. 5.85
Place Nawadih

Yours faithfully,

Name Rev. Welson Topno

Place Nawaslih

P.O. Raj Chainpur Nawadih

District Palamau

The Registrar General Births & Deaths Government of Bihar New Secreteriat Bailey Road Patna - 1

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The recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) is enclosed in support of my application.

Date 2/5/85.
Place Trangola.

Yours faithfully,

Name Robinsa Labra

Place Konjolea

District Gunda

The Secretary (Revenue)
Land Reforms,
Government of Bihar
Old Secreteriat
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Through The Commissioner, Ranchi (Gum Ja)

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The recommendation of the Pramukh Adhyaksh (President) is enclosed in support of the application.

Date 2/5/85 Place Kondolia Yours faithfully,

Name Reve, Ohma Lakra

Place Kanojolea

P.O. Tonjolea

District Gemla

Certified that Rev. Ohma Lakraa Minister of Religion belongs to the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam (a non-Episcopal Protestant Church). He has been appointed as Minister of Religion on 7th Oct 1984 and has been posted at Konjoba

He requires a license under Section 6 and 9 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act XV of 1872 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of Bihar as he is likely to be transferred from one district to the other.

He is called upon to conduct burials of Christians and as such needs to be appointed as a Registrar of Births and Deaths.

Recommended that Rev. Ohma Lakra be granted license for marriages under Section 6 and 9 of the I.C.M.A. XV of 1872 and be appointed as Registrar under Act VI of 1886 for the whole territory under the jurisdiction of the Government of Bahas.

Date 2/5/1985

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Pramukh Adhyaksh
(President)
GEL Church, RANCHI
Pramukh Adhyakah,
(PRESIDENT)

G. E. L. CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM, RANCHI