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THE PUNJAB LAND REVENUE
(SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS) ACT, 1955.

(PUNJAB ACT NO. 6 OF 1956)

[Received the assent of the Governor of Punjab on the 24th April, 1956
and was first published in the Punjab Government Gazette
(Extraordinary) of the 27th April, 1956].

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Year	No.	Short title	Whether repealed or otherwise affected by legislation
1956	6	The Punjab Land Revenue (special Assessments) Act, 1955.	Amended and extended to the territories which immediately before the 1st November, 1956, were comprised in the State of Patiala and East Punjab States Union by Pb. Act, 18 of 1958 ² Amended by Punjab Act 17 of 1963 ³ Amended by Haryana Adaptation of Laws (State and Concurrent Subjects) Order, 1968 ⁴

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Punjab in the Seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows :—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Punjab Land Revenue (Special Assessments) Act, 1955.

Short title,
extent and
commence-
ment.

(2) It extends to the whole of the State of ⁵[Haryana].

(3) It shall come into force at once ⁶[in the principal territories and on the 15th May, 1958, in the transferred territories].

1. For the statement of Objects and Reasons see *Punjab Government Gazette* (Extraordinary), 1955, pages 681-682.

2. For statement of Objects and Reasons see *Punjab Government Gazette* (Extraordinary), 1958, page 546-k.

3. For statement of Objects and Reasons see *Punjab Government Gazette* (Extraordinary), 1963, page 210.

4. See *Haryana Government Gazette* (Extraordinary) dated 29th October, 1968.

5. Substituted for the word "Punjab" by the Haryana Adaptation of Laws Order, 1968.

6. Added by *ibid.*

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

- (1) "Land" means land which for reasons specified in clause (f) of sub-section (1) of section 59 of the Land Revenue Act, 1887, as amended by Punjab Act, XIII of 1952, requires revision in the assessment of its land revenue.
- (2) "Factory" means a factory as defined in section 2(m) of the Factory Act, 1948.
- (3) Any expression used and not defined in this Act shall have the same meaning as is assigned to it in the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1887.

Levy of
Special
assessment.

3. (1) With effect from the Kharif harvest, 1955 in the ¹[principal territories] and from the kharif harvest 1957 ²[transferred territories] and notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Punjab Land Revenue Act (Act XVII of 1887), land under this Act shall be assessed to land revenue by Assistant Collector, First Grade, having jurisdiction, at the rates specified in the Schedule appended hereto :

Provided that the special assessment so levied shall not have the effect of adding to the value of any jagir or any assignment of land revenue.

(2) Any person affected by an assessment made under sub-section (1) may, within 30 days from the date of demand of the assessment, present a petition for reconsideration of the assessment so far as it affects him to the Assistant Collector who shall pass an order setting forth his reasons for granting or refusing it.

(3) An appeal from an order of the Assistant Collector shall lie within thirty days to the Collector whose decision shall be final.

1. Substituted by Haryana Adaptation of Laws Order, 1968 for the words "territories which immediately before the 1st November, 1956 were comprised in the State of Punjab" which were added by Punjab Act 18 of 1958.

2. Substituted by Haryana Adaptation of Laws Order, 1968 for the words "in the territories which immediately before that date were comprised in the State of Patiala and East Punjab States Union" which were added by Punjab Act 18 of 1958.

4. The assessment at the rates fixed in the Schedule shall remain in force till such time as special assessment is made by the Revenue Officer in accordance with the provisions of the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1887, and the Rules made thereunder. Duration of special assessment.

5. Land revenue assessed under the Act shall be recoverable as land revenue under the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1887. Collections of special assessment.

SCHEDULE

<i>Description</i>	<i>Rate of Land Revenue</i>
1. Land when put to use for a cinema or theatre building.	20 times the existing land revenue rate.
2. Land when put to use as a house when situated in the limits of :—	
(i) the Municipal Committees, 1st and 2nd Class and Cantonments.	4 times the existing land rates
(ii) Municipal Committees, III Class.	3 time the existing land revenue rates
(iii) Notified Area Committees	Double the existing land revenue rate.
(iv) District Boards [for Zila Parishads]	Double the existing land revenue rate.
3. Land when put to use for other non agricultural purposes, such as a factory not specified above when situated in the limits of :-	
(i) The Municipal Committees, 1st and 2nd Class and Cantonments	15 times the existing land revenue rates.
(ii) Municipal Committees, III Class	12 times the existing land revenue rate.

1. The words or "Zila Parishads" added by Punjab Act 17 of 1963.

<i>Description</i>	<i>Rate of Land Revenue</i>
(iii) Notified Area Committees	10 times the existing land revenue rate.
(iv) District Boards ¹ [or Zila Parishads]	10 times the existing land revenue rate.

²[Note— Where only one land revenue rate was fixed at settlement for Nehri land, that rate shall be taken as the rate of land revenue, while, in other cases including revenue-free lands, the highest Barani land revenue rate shall be taken as the land revenue rate for the purpose of special assessment under this Act.

³[Note II.— In relation to the ⁴[transferred territories] the land situated in the limits of District Boards, shall mean the lands situated out-side the limits of the municipalities and notified area committees.]

Validation.

⁵[Notwithstanding anything contained in the Punjab Land Revenue (Special Assessments) Act, 1955, or in any other law for the time being in force or in any judgment, decree or order of any court or other authority, where, at any time after the 15th day of May, 1958, and before the commencement of the Punjab Land Revenue (Special Assessment) Amendment and Validation Act, 1963, any special assessment has been made in respect of the land, situated outside the limits of municipalities and notified area committees in the ⁴[transferred territories], such special assessment shall be, and shall be deemed always to have been valid and shall not be questioned on the ground that such lands were not the lands situated in the limits of District Boards or that no District Boards were established in the said territories].

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1. The words "or Zila Parishads" added by Punjab Act 17 of 1963.
 2. Existing note numbered as I by *ibid*.
 3. Note II added by *ibid*.
 4. Substituted for the before "territories which immediately before the 1st November, 1956 were comprised in the State of Patiala and East Punjab States Union" by Adaptation of Laws Order, 1968.
 5. Added by Punjab Act 17 of 1963.