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[\* *Authoritative English Text of the Uttar Pradesh Official Language (Subordinate Courts) Act, 1970.*]

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*to provide for the replacement of English by Hindi as the language of judgments and orders of subordinate courts.*

IT IS HEREBY enacted in the Twenty-first] Year of the Republic of India as follows :—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Uttar Pradesh Official Language (Subordinate Courts) Act, 1970.

Short title and extent.

(2) It extends to the whole of Uttar Pradesh.

2. In section 137 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, in sub-section (3), the following proviso thereto shall be *inserted*, namely :

Amendment of section 137 of Act V of 1908.

“Provided that with effect from such date as the State Government in consultation with the High Court may by notification in the *Gazette* appoint, the language of every judgment, decree or order passed or made by such courts or classes of courts subordinate to the High Court and in such classes of cases as may be specified shall only be Hindi in Devanagri script with the international form of Indian numerals.”

3. In section 367 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898, in sub-section (1), the following proviso thereto shall be *inserted*, namely :

Amendment of section 367 of Act V of 1898.

“Provided that with effect from such date as the State Government in consultation with the High Court may by notification in the *Gazette* appoint, the language of every judgment or order passed or made by such courts or classes of courts subordinate to the High Court and in such classes of cases as may be specified shall only be Hindi in Devanagri script with the international form of Indian numerals.”

4. The Uttar Pradesh Official Language (Subordinate Courts) Ordinance, 1970 is hereby repealed.

Repeal of U. P. Ordinance no. 4 of 1970.

[For Statement of Objects and Reasons, please see *Uttar Pradesh Gazette Extraordinary*, dated March 3, 1970.]

[Passed in Hindi by the Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly on March 9, 1970 and by the Uttar Pradesh Legislative Council on March 12, 1970.]

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