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## THE HINDU MARRIAGE DISABILITIES REMOVAL ACT, 1946.

"ACT No. XXVIII OF 1946  
[22"4 November, 1946]

An Act to remove certain disabilities and doubts under Hindu Law in respect of marriages between Hindus.

WHEREAS it is expedient to remove certain disabilities and doubts under the Hindu Law in respect of marriages between Hindus; it is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. Short title and extent—(1) This Act may be called the Hindu Marriage Disabilities Removal Act, 1946.

?[(2) It extends to the whole of Pakistan. ]

2. Marriages between persons of same gotra or pravara or of different sub-divisions of

the same caste. Notwithstanding any text, rule or interpretation of the Hindu Law or any custom or usage, a marriage between Hindus, which is otherwise valid, shall not be invalid by reason only of the fact that the parties thereto-

(a) belong to the same gotra or pravara, or

(b) belong to different sub-divisions of the same caste.

'This Act has been applied to Baluchistan, see Notification No. 358-B P. G., dated the 10th December, 19—  
The Act has been extended to—

(a) the Leased Area of Baluchistan, see the Leased Areas (Laws) Order, 1950 (G. G. O. 3 of 1950);

(b) the Baluchistan States Union, see the Baluchistan States Union (Federal Laws) (Extension) Order, 19

(c) the Khairpur State, see the Khairpur (Federal Laws) (Extension) Order, 1953 (G. G. O. 5 of 1953); and

(d) the State of Bahawalpur, see the Bahawalpur (Extension) of Federal Laws) Order, 1953 (G. G. O. 6 of 1953).

(d) the State of Bahawalpur, see the Bahawalpur (Extension) of Federal Laws) Order, 1953 (G. G. O. 6 of 1953). The Act has been and shall be deemed to have been brought into force in Gwadur w. e. f. the 18th September, 1960 (Central Laws) Ordinance, 1960 (Ordinance No. XXXVII of 1960), s. 2.

\*Subs. by the Central Laws (Statute Reform) Ordinance, 1960 (Ordinance No. XXI of 1960), s. 3 and 2nd