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TUNDUS

Ordinance AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE PROVISION AGAINST THE ISSUE AND USE OF DOCUMENTS No. 43 of 1921. COMMONLY KNOWN AS "TUNDUS " IN RESPECT OF INDIAN LABOURERS.

[17 th December, 1921.]

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Tundu Prohibition Ordinance.

Penalties for issuing, &c., tundus.

2. (1) Any person who after the commencement of this Ordinance.

- (a) issues or causes or permits to be issued a *tundu*; or
- (b) accepts or agrees to accept any tundu or any obligation arising thereunder or intended to be imposed thereby; or
- gives or enters into any undertaking, (c)express or implied, with regard to any tundu; or
- (d)enters into or takes any part in any transaction for the transfer of any

indebtedness heretofore effected by means of a *tundu*;

to or in respect of any labourers as defined in section 3 of the Estate Labour (Indian) Ordinance, shall be guilty of an offence, and shall be liable on conviction thereof to a fine not exceeding twenty thousand rupees, or to imprisonment of either description for any period not exceeding two years, or to both.

(2) For the purposes of this Ordinance the expression "*tundu"* means the document commonly called a *tundu*, and in use at the time of the commencement of this Ordinance, under the provisions of the Estate Labour (Indian) Ordinance; it also includes any document, whatever its form may be, whereby the objects attained by a tundu at the time of the commencement of this Ordinance are sought to be attained after such commencement.