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Information Technology Act, 2000

Section 1 - Short Title, Extent, Commencement and Application

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(1) This Act may be called the Information Technology Act, 2000.

(2) It shall extend to the whole of India and, save as otherwise provided in this Act, it applies also to any offence or contravention thereunder committed outside India by any person.

(3) It shall come into force on such date[1] as the Central Government may, by notification, appoint and different dates may he appointed for different provisions of this Act and any reference in any such provision to the commencement of this Act shall be construed as a reference to the commencement of that provision.

[3][(4) Nothing in this Act shall apply to documents or transactions specified in the First Schedule.

Provided that the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, amend the First Schedule by way of addition or deletion of entries thereto,

(5) Every notification issued under sub-section (4) shall be laid before each House of Parliament.]

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1. Came into force on 17th October, 2000 Vide G.S.R. 788 (E), dated 17th October, 2000.

2. Substituted by Act 55 of 2002, section 12, for clause (a) a negotiable instrument as defined in section 13 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (26 of 1881);" (w.e.f. 6-2-2003).

3. Substituted by Information Technology Amendment Act, 2008 Act No. 10 of 2009. Prior to substitution text read as under :-

"(4) Nothing in this Act shall apply to--

[2] [(a) a negotiable instrument (other than a cheque) as defined in section 13 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (26 of 1881);].

(b) a power-of-attorney as defined in section 1A of the Powers-of-Attorney Act, 1882 (7 of 1882);

(c) a trust as defined in section 3 of the Indian Trusts Act, 1882 (2 of 1882);

(d) a will as defined in clause (h) of section (2) of the Indian Succession Act, 1925 (39 of 1925), including any other testamentary disposition by whatever name called;

(e) any contract for the sale or conveyance of immovable property or any interest in such property;

(f) any such class of documents or transactions as may be notified by the Central Government in the Official Gazette."

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