

Cattle Trespass Act, 1966

Section 14 - Removal of Cattle to Specified Places

(1) If in any local area to which the State Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, apply this section, the Tahsildar, is satisfied,-

(i) that the grazing land set apart for the use of cattle of one or more villages in the taluk, under his jurisdiction is insufficient for the cattle belonging to the permanent residents of such village or villages; or

(ii) that the crops or grass standing on any agricultural land so set apart are likely to be damaged by cattle belonging to persons who are not residents of such villages and who own more than twenty heads of cattle,

he may,-

(a) in any case referred to in clause (i) direct any such resident owner, by special or general order, to remove or cause to be removed all or any dry or useless cattle belonging to him to such place or places within the State and within such period as may be specified in the order, and

(b) in any case referred to in clause (ii) direct any such non-resident owner, by special or general order, to remove or cause to be removed all or any of his cattle to such place or places within the State and within such period as may be specified in the order.

(2) If the owner of the cattle fails to remove the cattle as directed under sub-section (1), the Tahsildar may direct a police officer not below the rank of a head constable to remove or cause to be removed such cattle to the place or places specified in the order.

(3) If the Tahsildar is satisfied that the order issued by him under sub-section (1) is contravened by any owner or keeper of cattle, he may impose a fine not exceeding one thousand rupees. Any fine so imposed may, on failure of such owner or keeper to pay the same within the specified time, be recovered by sale of all or any of the cattle ordered to be removed under sub-section (1).
