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Cattle Trespass Act, 1966

Section 16 - Delivery to Owner Disputing Legality of Seizure but Making Deposit

(1) If the owner of the impounded cattle or his agent appears before the pound-keeper and refuses to pay the fines and charges payable in respect of the cattle under sub-section (1) of section 12, on the ground that the seizure was illegal and that the owner is about to make a complaint under section 20, then, upon the deposit of the fines and charges payable in respect of the cattle, the cattle shall be delivered to him.

(2) If on any complaint referred to in sub-section (1), the seizure is declared to be lawful or if the owner or his agent fails to make such complaint within a period of four weeks from the date of delivery of the cattle to him, the pound-keeper shall require such owner or agent to make a declaration and to deposit the amount of security as required by section 13. If the owner or his agent fails to make such declaration or to deposit such amount the cattle delivered to him under sub-section (1) shall be seized again for the purposes of section 17.
