

Cantonments Act, 1924

Section 124 - Regulation of Cinematographic and Dramatic Performance

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in¹[any other law relating to sanctioning of cinematograph films for exhibition], no exhibition of pictures or other optical effects by means of a cinematograph or other like apparatus for the purpose of which inflammable films are used, and no public dramatic performance²[pantomime, circus, carnival, exhibition, dance or other similar show for public recreation or amusement,] shall be given in any cantonment elsewhere than in premises for which a licence has been granted by the³[Board] under this section.

(2) If the owner of a cinematograph or other apparatus uses the apparatus or allows it to be used, or if any person takes any part in any public dramatic performance²[, pantomime, circus, carnival, exhibition, dance or other similar show for public recreation or amusement,] in contravention of the provisions of this section, or if the occupier of any premises allows them to be used in contravention of the provisions of this section or of any condition of any licence granted under this section, he shall be punishable with fine which may extend to⁴[five hundred rupees], and, in the case of continuing offence, with an additional fine which may extend to⁵[two hundred rupees] for each day after the first during which the offence continues.

(3) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prohibit the giving of any exhibition or any dramatic performance⁶[, pantomime, circus, carnival, exhibition, dance or other similar show for public recreation or amusement,]in any theatre or institute which is the property of Government where the exhibition, performance⁶[, pantomime, circus, carnival, exhibition, dance or other similar show for public recreation or amusement,] is held with the permission and under the control of the military authorities.

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1. Substituted by Act 15 of 1983, section 80, for "the Cinematograph Act, 1918" w.e.f. 1-10-1983.
 2. Substituted by Act 15 of 1983, section 80, for "or pantomime," w.e.f. 1-10-1983.
 3. Substituted by Act 24 of 1936, section 69, for "Cantonment Authority".
 4. Substituted by Act 15 of 1983, section 80, for "two hundred rupees" w.e.f. 1-10-1983.
 5. Substituted by Act 15 of 1983, section 80, for "fifty rupees" w.e.f. 1-10-1983.
 6. Substituted by Act 15 of 1983, section 80, for "or pantomime," w.e.f. 1-10-1983.
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