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**Explosive Substances Act, 1908**

**Section 5 - Punishment for Making or Possessing Explosives Under Suspicious Circumstances**

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Any person who makes or knowingly has in his possession or under his control any explosive substance or special category explosive substance, under such circumstances as to give rise to a reasonable suspicion that he is not making it or does not have it in his possession or under his control for a lawful object, shall, unless he can show that he made it or had it in his possession or under his control for a lawful object, be punished,--

- (a) in the case of any explosive substance, with imprisonment for a term which may extend to ten years, and shall also be liable to fine;
  - (b) in the case of any special category explosive substance, with rigorous imprisonment for life, or with rigorous imprisonment for a term which may extend to ten years, and shall also be liable to fine.]
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