

Indian Post Office Act, 1898

Section 35 - Power to Make Rules as to Value-payable Postal Articles

- (1) The Central Government may make rules as to the transmission by post of value-payable postal articles.
- (2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may--
- (a) declare what classes of postal articles may be sent as value-payable postal articles.
- (b) direct that no postal article shall be so sent unless the sender declares that it is sent in execution of a bonafide order received by him;
- (c) limit the value to be recovered on the delivery of any value-payable postal article;¹[* * *]
- (d) prescribe the form of declaration to be made by the senders of value-payable postal articles, and the time and manner of the payment of fees;
- ²(e) provide for the retention and repayment to the addressee in cases of fraud of money recovered on the delivery of any value-payable postal article; and
- (f) prescribe the fees to be charged for inquiries into complaints regarding the delivery of or payment for value-payable postal articles.]
- (3) Postal articles shall be made over to the Post Office for the purpose of being sent as "value-payable" and shall be delivered, when so sent, at such times and in such manner as the Director General may, by order, from time to time, appoint.
- ³(4) No suit or other legal proceeding shall be instituted against⁴the Central Government⁵[* * *] or any officer of the Post Office in respect of anything done, or in good faith purporting to be done, under any rule made under clause (e) of sub-section (2).]

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1. The words "and omitted by Act 3 of 1912, section. 7.
 2. Inserted by Act 3 of 1912, section. 7.
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 4. Substituted by the A.O. 1937, for "the Secretary of State of India in Council".
 5. The words "the Secretary of State" omitted by the A.O. 1948.
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