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NOTIFICATION

No.H.12017/55/2018-LJD, the 3rd January, 2019: The following Act is hereby re-published for general information.

The Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Act, 2018' (Act No. 27 of 2018)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram Law & Judicial Department.

THE SCHEDULED CASTES AND THE SCHEDULED TRIBES (PREVENTION OF ATROCITIES) AMENDMENT ACT, 2018

An Act

further to amend the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Sixty-ninth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Act, 2018.

Short title and commencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

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Insertion of new section 18A.

2. After section 18 of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

33 of 1989.

No enquiry or approval required.

"18A. (1) For the purposes of this Act,—

- (a) preliminary enquiry shall not be required for registration of a First Information Report against any person; or
- (b) the investigating officer shall not require approval for the arrest, if necessary, of any person,

against whom an accusation of having committed an offence under this Act has been made and no procedure other than that provided under this Act or the Code shall apply.

(2) The provisions of section 438 of the Code shall not apply to a case under this Act, notwithstanding any judgment or order or direction of any Court.".