

**THE  
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**THE DESTRUCTIVE INSECTS AND PESTS ACT, 1914**

**ACT NO. II OF 1914**

[3rd February, 1914]

**\*An Act to prevent the introduction into Bangladesh<sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*] of any insect, fungus or other pest, which is or may be destructive to crops.**

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision for preventing the introduction into Bangladesh<sup>2</sup>[\* \* \*] of any insect, fungus or other pest, which is or may be destructive to crops; It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**1.** This Act may be called to Destructive Insects and Pests Act, 1914. Short title

**2.** In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,- Definitions

- (a) "crops" includes all agricultural or horticultural crops and all trees, bushes or plants;
- (b) "import" means the bringing or taking by sea, land or air across any customs frontier as defined by the Government;
- (c) "infection" means infection by any insect, fungus or other pest injurious to a crop.

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\* Throughout this Act, except otherwise provided, the words "Bangladesh" and "Government" were substituted, for the words "Pakistan" and "Central Government" or "Provincial Government" respectively by section 3 and 2nd Schedule of the Bangladesh Laws (Revision and Declaration) Act, 1973 (Act No. VIII of 1973).

<sup>1</sup> The words "and the transport from one province to another" were omitted by section 3 and 2nd Schedule of the Bangladesh Laws (Revision and Declaration) Act, 1973 (Act No. VIII of 1973).

<sup>2</sup> The words "and the transport from one province to another" were omitted by section 3 and 2nd Schedule of the Bangladesh Laws (Revision and Declaration) Act, 1973 (Act No. VIII of 1973).

Power of Government to regulate or prohibit the import of articles likely to infect

**3.**(1) The Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, prohibit or regulate, subject to such restrictions and conditions as it may impose, the import into Bangladesh, or any part thereof, or any specified place therein, of any article or class of articles likely to cause infection to any crop or of insects generally or any class of insects.

(2) A notification under this section may specify any article or class of articles or any insect or class of insects either generally or in any particular manner, whether with reference to the country of origin, or the route by which imported or otherwise.

Operation of notification under section 3

**4.** A notification under section 3 shall operate as if it had been issued under <sup>1</sup>[section 16 of the Customs Act, 1969], and the officers of Customs at every port shall have the same powers in respect of any article with regard to the importation of which such a notification has been issued as they have for the time being in respect of any article the importation of which is regulated, restricted or prohibited by the <sup>2</sup>[Customs Act, 1969].

**4A-4D.** [Omitted by section 3 and 2nd Schedule of the Bangladesh Laws (Revision and Declaration) Act, 1973 (Act No. VIII of 1973).]

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<sup>1</sup>The words, figures and comma "section 16 of the Customs Act, 1969" were substituted, for the words, figures and comma "section 19 of the Sea Customs Act, 1878" by section 3 and 2nd Schedule of the Bangladesh Laws (Revision and Declaration) Act, 1973 (Act No. VIII of 1973).

<sup>2</sup>The words, comma and figure "Customs Act, 1969" were substituted, for the words and comma "law relating to Sea Customs, and the law for the time being in force relating to Sea Customs or any such article shall apply accordingly" by section 3 and 2nd Schedule of the Bangladesh Laws (Revision and Declaration) Act, 1973 (Act No. VIII of 1973).

5.(1) The Government may make rules for the detention, inspection, disinfection or destruction of any insect or class of insects or of any article or class of articles in respect of which a notification has been issued under section 3 <sup>1</sup>[\* \* \*] or of any article which may have been in contact or proximity thereto, and for regulating the powers and duties of the officers whom it may appoint in this behalf.

Power of  
Government  
to make rules

(2) In making any rule under this section the Government may direct that a breach thereof shall be punishable with fine which may extend to one thousand <sup>2</sup>[Taka].

**5A.** [Omitted by section 3 and 2nd Schedule of the Bangladesh Laws (Revision and Declaration) Act, 1973 (Act No. VIII of 1973).]

**6.** No suit, prosecution or other legal proceeding shall lie against any person for anything in good faith done or intended to be done under this Act.

Protection to  
persons  
acting under  
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<sup>1</sup> The words and figure "or under section 4A" were omitted by section 3 and 2nd Schedule of the Bangladesh Laws (Revision and Declaration) Act, 1973 (Act No. VIII of 1973).

<sup>2</sup> The word "Taka" was substituted, for the word "rupees" by section 3 and 2nd Schedule of the Bangladesh Laws (Revision and Declaration) Act, 1973 (Act No. VIII of 1973).

