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(ACT NO. 1 OF 2003)¹

(Received the assent of the President on 8th January, 2003 and was published both in Hindi and English in the Rajpatra, Himachal Pradesh (Extra-ordinary), dated 21st January, 2003, pp. 3503-3506.)

An Act further to amend the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (Act No. 16 of 1927) in its application to the State of Himachal Pradesh.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of Himachal Pradesh in the Fifty-third Year of the Republic of India, as follows:-

1. Short title.- This Act may be called the Indian Forest (Himachal Pradesh Amendment) Act, 2002.

2. Substitution of section 74.- For section 74 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (16 of 1927), the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"74. Indemnity for acts done in good faith.- (1) No suit or criminal prosecution or other proceedings shall lie against any public servant for anything done or omitted or ordered to be done, in good faith, in pursuance of this Act, unless an animal has been killed or injured by a Forest officer carrying the arms.

(2) No court shall take cognizance of any offence alleged to have been committed by a Forest officer while acting or purporting to act in the discharge of his official duty except with the previous sanction of the State Government."

1. Passed in Hindi by the Himachal Pradesh Vidhan Sabha. For Statement of Objects and Reasons see the Rajpatra, Himachal Pradesh (Extra-ordinary), dated 28th August, 2002, pp. 1534 and 1537.