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# 20. Rules as to cost of processes.

The High Court shall, as soon as may be, make rules as to the following matters:—

- (i) The fees chargeable for serving and executing processes issued by such court in its appellate jurisdiction, and by the other Civil and Revenue Courts established within the local limits of such jurisdiction;
- (ii) the fees chargeable for serving and executing processes issued by the Criminal Courts established within such limits in the case of offences other than offences for which police-officers may arrest without a warrant; and
- (iii) the remuneration of the peons and all other persons employed by leave of a Court in the service or execution of processes. The High Court may from time to time alter and add to the rules so made.

Confirmation and publication of rules.—All such rules, alterations and additions shall, after being confirmed by the State Government, be published in the Official Gazette, and shall thereupon have the force of law. Until such rules shall be so made and published, the fees now leviable for serving and executing processes shall continue to be levied, and shall be deemed to be fees leviable under this Act.

#### 21. Tables of process fees.

A table in the English and Vernacular languages, showing the fees chargeable for such service and execution, shall be exposed to view in a conspicuous part of each Court.

# 22. Number of peons in district and subordinate Courts.

Subject to rules to be made by the High Court and approved by the State Government, every District Judge and every Magistrate of a district shall fix, and may from time to time alter, the number of peons necessary to be employed for the service and execution of processes issued out of his Court and each of the Courts subordinate thereto,

Number of peons in Mufassal Small Cause Courts.—and for the purposes of this section, every Court of Small Causes established under Act No. 11 of 1865 (to consolidate and amend the law relating to Courts of Small Causes beyond the local limits of the ordinary original civil jurisdiction of the High Courts of Judicature) shall be deemed to be subordinate to the Court of the District Judge.

### 23. Number of peons in Revenue Courts.

Subject to rules to be framed by the Chief Controlling Revenueauthority and approved by the State Government, every officer performing the functions of a Collector of a district shall fix, and may from time to time alter, the number of peons necessary to be employed for the service and execution of processes issued out of his Court or the courts subordinate to him.

# 24-A. Control of Court fee and Stamp Commissioner:

(1) The levy of fees under this Act shall be under the general control and superintendence of the Chief Controlling Revenue

Authority, who may be assisted in the supervision thereof by the Commissioner of Stamps and by as many Additional many Additional Commissioners of the Stamps, Deputy Commissioners of Stamps and Assistant Commissioners of Stamps as the State Government may appoint in the behalf or by any other subordinate agency appointed for the purpose.

(2) The Officers and the agency referred to in sub-section (1) shall have access to all records, and shall be furnished with all such information as may be required by them for the performance of their duties under this Act."