

**PART I**  
**GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB**  
DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, PUNJAB  
**NOTIFICATION**

The 10th December, 2020

**No.25-Leg./2020.-** The following Act of the Legislature of the State of Punjab received the assent of the Governor of Punjab on the 7th day of December, 2020, is hereby published for general information:-

**THE REGISTRATION (PUNJAB AMENDMENT) ACT, 2020**  
**(Punjab Act No. 22 of 2020)**

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further to amend the Registration Act, 1908, in its application to the State of Punjab.

BE it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Punjab in the Seventy-first Year of the Republic of India, as follows:-

1. (1) This Act may be called the Registration (Punjab Amendment) Act, 2020. Short title and commencement.  
(2) It shall come into force on and with effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.
2. In the Registration Act, 1908, in its application to the State of Punjab, Insertion of section 19-A in Central Act 16 of 1908. after section 19, the following section shall be inserted, namely:-
  - “19-A (1) The Registering Officer shall refuse to register –
    - Refused (a) any instrument relating to transfer by way of sale, gift, to register. mortgage, exchange, lease or otherwise of immovable property -
      - (i) belonging to the Central or State Government or any authority or undertaking of the Central or State Government;
      - (ii) belonging to a local authority;  
Explanation:- For the purpose of this sub-clause, ‘local authority’ means any Municipal Corporation, Municipal Committee, Notified Area Committee, Nagar Panchayat, Improvement Trust, Zila Parishad, Block Samiti, Gram Panchayat, any other unit of Local Self-Government or Urban Development Authority;
      - (iii) belonging to and recorded in the name of the Punjab Bhoodan Yagna Board;

- (iv) belonging to waqf which are under the Punjab Waqf Board established under the Waqf Act, 1995 (Central Act No.43 of 1995):

Provided that nothing in clause (a) shall apply in respect of any document or class of documents for which sanction in this regard has been issued by the competent authority under any law for the time being in force and in the absence of such authority, an authority authorized by the Central or State Government, as the case may be, for this purpose:

- (b) any instrument relating to transfer of land recorded in the record of rights as shamlat deh, except land which is or has been allotted or sold by the Government:

Provided that shamlat deh which has been sold or allotted after 9th day of July, 1985 by the Government to a displaced person in lieu of land left in Pakistan shall not be covered under the above provision.

Explanation.-For the purpose of this sub-clause 'Record of Rights' means the Record of Rights maintained under the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1887 (Punjab Act No.XVII of 1887);

- (c) any instrument relating to immovable property, specified by the State Government, by notification, the alienation or transfer of which has been prohibited under any Central or State Act; and
- (d) a document relating to transfer of property by way of agreement for sale, gift, exchange or permanent alienation of lease or otherwise pertaining to any immovable property which is attached permanently or provisionally by any competent authority under any Central Act or State Act for the time being in force or by any Court or Tribunal.

(2) Any document registered in contravention of sub-section (1) shall not affect any immovable property comprised therein, or be received as evidence of any transaction affecting such property."

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