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## **Manipur Municipalities Act, 1976 (excerpts)**

(Excerpts - water supply and sanitation provisions)

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# MANIPUR MUNICIPALITIES ACT, 1976

## CHAPTER I

### Preliminary

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

(xivii) “supply of water for domestic purposes” shall not be deemed to include a supply-

- (a) for animals or for washing carriage where such animals or carriages are kept for sale or hire;
- (b) for any trade, manufacture or business other than those concerned with the manufacture or supply of articles of food and drink for human consumption;
- (c) for fountains;
- (d) for watering gardens; roads or paths;
- (e) for any ornamental or mechanical purpose; or
- (f) for building purposes;

**134. Power to require unwholesome tanks or private premises to be cleansed or drained.** (1) The Board may require the owner or occupier of any land within eight days or such longer period as the Board may fix, either to re0excavate or at his option fill up with suitable material or to cleanse any well, water-course, private tank or pool therein, and to drain off and remove any waste or stagnant water which may appear to be injurious to health or offensive to the neighbourhood:

Provided that if, for the purpose of effecting any drainage under this section it shall be necessary to acquire any land not being the property of the person who is required to drain his land or to pay compensation to any other person, the Board shall provide such land any pay such compensation.

(2) If under the provisions of this Act the Board execute the work of such re-excitation or filling up with suitable material, it may take possession of the tank or pool or the site of such tank or pool and retain such possession and turn the same to profitable account until the expenses thereby incurred shall have been realised.

### *Water supply and drainage systems*

**150. Supply of drinking water.** (1) Every Board shall provide or arrange for the provision of a sufficient supply of drinking water for the inhabitants of the areas within its jurisdiction.

(2) Every Board shall provide sufficient and regular supply of drinking water fit for human consumption or for other domestic purposes within the jurisdiction of the Board.

**151. Removal of latrines, etc, near any source of water supply.** The Board may, by notice, require an owner or occupier on whose land a drain, privy, latrine, urinal, cess-pool or their receptacle for filth or refuse exists as is likely to endanger the purity of water of a spring, well, tank, reservoir or other source from which water

is, or may be derived for public use, to remove or close the same within one week from the service of such notice.

**152.** In the event of a municipality, or any part thereof, being visited with an outbreak of cholera or other infectious disease notified in this behalf, the Health Officer of the Board may, during the continuance of the epidemic, without notice and at any time, inspect and disinfect any well, tank or other place from which water is or is likely to be taken for the purpose of drinking and may further take such steps as he deems fit to prevent the removal of water therefrom.

**153. Unauthorised construction or tree over drain or water works.** (1) Where any road or way has been made or any building, wall or other structure has been erected or any tree has been planted over a public drain, culvert or a water-work vested in the Board, without the permission in writing of the Board, the Board may, without prejudice to the generality of the other provisions of this Act-

- (a) by notice require the person who has made the road, erected the structure or planted the tree, or the owner or occupier of the land on which the road has been made, structure erected or tree planted, to remove or deal in any other way as the Board thinks fit with the road, structure, or tree; or
  - (b) itself remove or deal in any other way as it thinks fit with the road, structure or tree.
- (2) Any expenses incurred by a Board for action taken under C1. (b) of sub-S. (1) shall be recoverable from the person by whom the road or way was made, structure erected or tree planted.