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Bills introduced into the Legislative Assembly of Orissa, Reports of Select Committees presented or to be presented to that Assembly and Bills published before introduction in that Assembly

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 20th January 1943

No. 102-L.A.-The following report of the Select Committee on the Orissa Weights and Measures Bill, 1942, together with the Bill, as amended by that Committee, is hereby published for general information :-

REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE ORISSA WEIGHTS AND **MEASURES BILL, 1942**

We, the undersigned members of the Select Committee, to which the Orissa Weights and Measures Bill, 1942, was referred, have considered the Bill and have the honour to submit this our report with a copy of the Bill, as amended by us, annexed.

The Weights and Measures Bill, 1942, was referred to a Select Committee consisting of (1) Rai Bahadur M. G. Patnaik, (2) The Hon'ble the Prime Minister, (3) Sri Bira-kishore Behera, (4) Sri Radhamohan Sahu, (5) Sri Raj Krushna Bose, (6) Sri Biswa-nath Das, and (7) Sri V. K. V. Raju on the 28th March 1942. Rui Bahadur M. G. Patnaik was nominated as the Chairman of the Committee. The Committee held its first meeting on the 21st June 1942. It was decided to obtain the views of interests affected by the Bill and for that purpose to address the trader and the affected by the Bill and for that purpose to address the traders and the consuming public. A reference was accordingly made to (1) The Orissa Chamber of Commerce, Cuttack, (2) The Berhampur Chamber of Commerce Berhampur, (3) The Orissa Muhammadan Association, Cuttack, (4) The Oriya Peoples' Association, Cuttack. (5) The All-Orissa International Association, Berhampur, (6) The All-Orissa Bengalee Settlers' Association, Cuttack, and (7) The Andhra Mandali. Berhampur, asking for their views on the Bill and requesting for information as to whether any of them desired to send up representatives to give evidence before the Committee at its next meeting. The Oriya Peoples' Association and the Berhampur Chamber of Commerce alone forwarded opinions with suggestions in certain respects. The copies of the opinions received were forwarded to all the members of the Committee. As three of the members, namely, (1) Sri Radhamohan Sahu, (2) Sri Raj Krushna Bose, and (3) Sri Biswanath Das, were under detention in jail, it was not possible to hold meetings of the Select Committee for want of quorum, soon afterwards.

On the 4th November 1942 however Rev. E. M. Evans was nominated as a member of the Select Committee by the Assembly. The Select Committee thereafter met on the 10th November 1942. The three members of the Committee who are under detention in jail and the Hon'ble the Prime Minister were absent. The provisions of the Bill were examined by the Committee. The Committee also carefully considered the opinions and suggestions placed before it. The Committee approved the Bill, subject to the alterations stated and explained in the following notes :

Clause 19-Sub-clause (3), as it stands, applies only to cases of inspection under sub-clause (1) and not to cases covered by sub-clause (2). It is desirable that the powers conferred on the Inspector under sub-clause (2). It is desirable that the powers conferred on the Inspector under sub-clause (3) should apply to all classes of cases falling under both sub-clauses (1) and (2). This is made clear by substituting the words "sub-sections (1) and (2)" for the words "such inspection" and omitting the words "sub-sections (1) and (2) "for the words " and waishing and wais the words "and inspects such weights and measures and weighing or measuring instruments " in sub-clause (3).

Clause 35—Under sub-clause (3), the only condition, to which the power of the Provincial Government to make rules is subject, is the condition of previous publica. tion in the official Gazette. It was considered that opportunity should be afforded to the Legislative Assembly to introduce modifications in the rules, if it deemed fit to do so. Sub-clauses (4) and (5) have accordingly been inserted with a view to give effect to this decision.

The Bill was published in the Orissa Gazette, dated the 27th February 1942 and we do not consider its republication necessary.

We recommend that the Bill, as amended by us, be passed.

M. G. PATNAIK E. M. EVANS BIRAKISHORE BEHERA K. C. G. NARAYAN DEO V. K. VISWANADHAM RAJU

Note-Sri Radhamohan Sahu, Sri Raj Krushna Bose and Sri Biswanath Das, who were present at the first meeting of the Select Committee and not at the other meeting and who are in detention in jail, did not sign the report, although opportunity was afforded to them to sign it.

THE ORISSA WEIGHTS AND MEASURES BILL, 1942

(As amended by the Select Committee)

NOTE-Matter omitted is shown in italics within square brackets. New matter is underlined.

A BILL

TO FIX A SCALE OF STANDARD MEASURES WITH REFERENCE TO THE STANDARD WEIGHTS FOR THE PROVINCE OF ORISSA

Preamble,

WHEREAS it is expedient to establish standards of measure for the Province of Orissa and to provide for the ultimate adoption of a uniform system of weights and measures throughout the Province;

PART I.

PRELIMINARY.

Short title.

Extent and

commencement.

 This Act may be called the Orissa Weights and Measures Act, 1942.
(1) It extends to the original sector of the original sector.

2. (1) It extends to the whole of the Province of Orissa.

(2) Part I of this Act shall come into force at once.

(3) Part II of this Act shall come into force throughout the whole or any part of the Province of Orissa on such date or dates as the Provincial Government may, by notification, appoint.

(4) Any notification, order, rule and any appointment to an office may be made under this Act after it shall have received the assent of the Governor but such notification, order, rule or appointment shall take effect in any area only on Part II of this Act coming into force in such area.

3. In this Act unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—

(1) "Inspector" means an Inspector appointed under section 15 and includes any person appointed under section 16 to exercise any of the functions of an Inspector;

Definitions.

- (2) "Measuring instrument" includes any instrument for measurement of length, area, capacity or volume;
- (3) "Prescribed" with its grammatical variations means prescribed by rules under this Act;
- (4) "Primary Standards" mean the weights and measures mentioned in section 5;
- (5) "Rules" mean the rules made under section 35;
- (6) "Secondary Standards" mean weights and measures prepared under sub-section (2) of section 7;
- (7) "Working Standards" mean weights and measures prepared under sub-section (1) of section 7;
- (8) The expression "verification" or "reverification" with its grammatical variations, used with reference to a weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument, includes the process of comparing, checking or testing such weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument; and
- (9) "Weighing instrument" includes scales, with the weights belonging thereto, scale beams, balances, spring balances, steelyards, weighing machines and other instruments for weighing.

PART II.

CHAPTER I.

Standards of Weights and Measures.

Standard Measures.

. 4. (1) The measures including the multiples and sub-multiples thereof described in the First Schedule shall be the measures authorised to be used in every place in which this Part has come into force. These measures are called standard measures for the purposes of this Act.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), the Provincial Government may, after previous publication by notification in the Gazette, declare, either generally or for any trade or class of trades, any other multiple or sub-multiple of a measure specified in the First Schedule to be a measure authorised to be used in any place in which this Part has come into force.

The multiples or sub-multiples shall, to the extent so declared, be deemed to be standard measures for the purposes of this Act.

Primary Standards. 5. (1) Such standard weights as are prepared and supplied to the Provincial Government under sub-section (2) of section 4 of the Standards of Weights Act, 1939, shall be called primary standard IX of 1939. weights for the purposes of this Act. (2) The Frovincial Government shall cause to be prepared one set of such of the standard measures specified in the First Schedule as the Provincial Government may consider expedient and shall cause each measure of such set to be authenticated as having been ascertained from the standard grain. The sets of standard measures so prepared shall be called primary standard measures for the purposes of this Act. They shall be made of such material, length, form and specifications and in such manner as may be prescribed and by such person as the Provincial Government may direct.

Custody, etc., of Intimary standards

6. The primary standard weights and measures shall be kept in the custody of such officer as the Provincial Government may direct. The primary standard measures shall be stamped, verified or reverified and if necessary, adjusted or renewed, in such manner and by such officer as the Provincial Government may direct.

Working standards and secondary standards,

7. (1) For the purpose of verifying weights and measures in use in any area, the Frovincial Government may cause to be prepared such copies of the primary standard weights and measures as they deem fit. The copies so prepared shall be called working standards.

(2) For the purpose of verifying the working standards the Provincial Government shall cause to be prepared such copies of the primary standard weights and measures as they deem fit. The copies so prepared shall be called secondary standards.

(3) (a) The secondary standards and the working standards shall be made of such material, weight, length, form and according to such specifications, and shall be prepared by such agency and shall be stamped by such person and in such manner as may be prescribed.

(b) The secondary standards shall be verified with the primary standards and the working standards with the secondary standards before being stamped.

(c) They shall be kept by such officers as the Provincial Government may direct, at such places, in such custody and in such manner as may be prescribed.

(d) They shall be verified or reverified and marked by such person, at such place and in such manner as may be prescribed.

(4) A working standard shall not be deemed legal or be used for the purposes of this Act unless it has been verified or reverified and marked in the prescribed manner and within such period as may be prescribed before the time at which it is used.

(5) A working Handard which has become defective shall not be legal or be PART XI

Weighing and measuring instru ments.

Prohibition of weights and measures other than standard weights and measures.

used for the purposes of this Act until it has been reverified and marked in the

8. Weighing and measuring instruments stamped in the manner prescribed by such officer as the Provincial Government may direct shall be kept at all places where secondary or working standards are kept. Such instruments shall be of such kind, shall be kept in such number and shall be verified, adjusted or renewed in such manner as may be pres-

9. (1) Subject to the provisions of section 39 and notwithstanding anything contained in any law for the time being in force, all dealings or contracts had or made in any area after this Part shall have come into force in the said area for any work to be done or goods to be sold or delivered by weight or measure shall be deemed to be had or made according to one of the standard weights or measures or to multiples or sub-multiples thereof and it shall not be lawful to use any other weight or measure in relation to any such dealing or contract :

Provided that the Provincial Government may, by notification in the Gazette, prohibit in any area in which this Part is in force, in respect of all or of certain specified commodities, the use, in any dealings or contracts had or made for goods to be sold or delivered, (a) of weights, or (b) of measures, or (c) of certain specified series of standard weights, or (d) of certain specified series of standard measures, and thereupon it shall not be lawful to use, as the case may be, (a) any weight, or (b) any measure, or (c) any such specified weight, or (d) any such specified measure in relation to any such dealing or contract.

(2) Any dealing or contract had or made in contravention of the provisions of sub-section (1) or of the proviso thereto so far as it contravenes the said provisions shall be void unless it is proved that such dealing or contract was had or made without intention to contravene the said provisions.

Explanation .--- Unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context a dealing or contract is hereinafter called " trade "

CHAPTER II.

VERIFICATION AND STAMPING OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

10. Every weight which conforms to the provisions of this Act and the rules except where the small size of the weight renders it impracticable, shall have the denomination thereof stamped on the top or side thereof in legible figures and letters. Every measure of length, area, capacity or volume, which conforms to the provisions of this Act and the rules shall have the denomination thereof

Stamping.

stamped on the outside of such measure in legible figures and letters. A weight or measure which does not conform to the provisions of this section shall not be stamped in accordance with the provisions of this Act and the rules.

of measure Explanation.—A capacity or volume shall be deemed to dry conform to the provisions of this Act and the rules if it contains the appropriate capacity or volume when filled up to but not over brim level, and not otherwise.

11. (1) No weight or measure shall be used for trade unless it has been verified or reverified in the prescribed manner by an Inspector with and stamped a stamp of verification under this Act:

(2) The Provincial Government may prescribe the amount of error to be tolerated in weights or measures or weighing or measuring instruments used for trade.

12. No weighing or measuring instrument shall be used for trade unless it has been verified or reverified within the stamped prohibited period fixed and stamped in the prescribed manner by an Inspector with a stamp of verification.

> 13. No weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument shall be sold or delivered unless it has been verified or reverified and stamped in the prescribed manner by an Inspector with a stamp of verification.

> 14. The Provincial Government shall provide proper and sufficient means for verifying, adjusting and stamping weights and measures and weighing or measuring instruments at such places as the Provincial Government may determine.

> 15. The Provincial Government shall appoint a sufficient number of persons with prescribed qualifications as Inspectors for the discharge of the duties of Inspectors under this Act and the rules.

> 16. The Provincial Government may appoint any servant of the Crown in virtue of his office to exercise any of the functions of an Inspector under this Act and the rules.

17. Every Inspector shall forthwith on his appointment enter into a recognizance with the Provincial Government in such sum as may be prescribed for the due performance of the duties of his office, for the due payment at the time and in the manner required by the Provincial Government of all moneys received by him under this Act and for the safety of the secondary and working standards, if any, and of the stamps and appliances for verification committed to his charge and for their due surrender immediately on his ceasing to hold office :

Provided that an Inspector appointed under section 16 shall not be required to

Stamping and verification of weights and measures.

instrumant not verified and

Use of weighing

and measuring

Sale or delivery of weight, measure, weighing or measuring instrument not verified and stamped. prohibited.

Provision of means of verification and stamping.

Appointment of Inspectors of weights and measures.

Appointment of ex-officio Inspectors.

Inspector to enter into recognizance.

Verification and stamping by Inspectors.

> Power to inspect weights, etc., and to enter shops for that purpose.

enter into such recognizance unless the Provincial Government specially order

18. (1) Every Inspector shall, for the purpose of the verification of weights and measures and weighing or measuring instruments, attend at such time and place within his jurisdiction as may be appointed by the Provincial Government.

(2) He shall verify every weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument which is brought to him for the purpose of verification or reverification. If he finds such weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument correct, he shall stamp the same with a stamp of verification in the prescribed manner.

19. (1) An Inspector may, at all reasonable times, inspect all weights and measures and weighing or measuring instruments within the area under his charge, which are used or are in the possession of any person or are on any premises for use for trade and may verify every such weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument with a secondary or working standard or a weighing or measuring instrument prescribed for this purpose.

(2) An Inspector may seize and detain any weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument regarding which an offence under this Act appears to have been committed or which appears to have been or which may be used for the commission of such offence.

(3) For the purpose of [such inspection,] sub-sections (1) and (2) the Inspector may at all reasonable times enter into any place where weights and measures and weighing or measuring instruments are used or kept for purpose of trade [and inspect such weights and measures and weighing or measuring instruments].

20. An Inspector shall not, during the be maker, Feller or time he holds office, derive any profit adjuster of weights time any he amployed in the making from or be employed in the making, adjusting, or selling of weights or measures or weighing or measuring instruments:

Provided that the Provincial Government may, in respect of any area, authorise an Inspector to adjust weights or weighing or measuring measures or

21. Every Inspector shall be deemed instruments. to be a public servant within the meaning XLV of

of section 21 of the Indian Penal Code. 22. (1) If any difference arises between

an Inspector and any person interested as to the meaning or construction of any rule or as to the method of verifying, adjusting or stamping any weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument, such difference may, at the request of the party interested or by the Inspector of his own accord be referred to such

and measures of weighing or measuring instruments.

Ir spectors to be public servants.

Provincial Government may determine difference.

officer as the Provincial Government may direct and the decision of such officer shall, subject to the provisions of sub-section (2), be final.

(2) An appeal shall lie within the time prescribed from the decisions under subsection (1) to the Provincial Government or such officer as the Provincial Government may appoint in this behalf. decision of the Provincial Government or such officer under this sub-section shall be final.

23. The Provincial Government shall charge such fees for the verification, reverification, marking, adjustment and stamping of weights or measures or weighing or measuring instrument as may be prescribed.

24. A weight or measure duly stamped by an Inspector under this Act shall be a legal weight or measure in all places in which this Part has come into force unless false or defective and shall not be liable to be restamped because used in any place other than that in which it was originally stamped.

25. A weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument duly stamped under the provisions of this Act or the rules shall be deemed to be correct until its inaccuracy is proved, if it is produced in any court by any public servant having charge thereof under the direction of the Provincial Government or by any person acting under the general or special authority of such public servant.

CHAPTER III.

PENALTIES.

26. Whoever fraudulently uses any weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument, shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment of either description which may extend to three months or with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees or with both.

27. Whoever wilfully or knowingly telling, disposing of makes, sells or disposes of, or causes to weights, measures, be made, sold or disposed of, any weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument which is false or defective shall, on conviction, be punished with rigorous imprisonment for a period which may extend to three months or with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees or with both.

28. Whoever sells any article by any by weight or denomination of weight or measure other Etandard weight or than one of the standard weights or measures or in contravention of any order for the time being in force under the proviso to sub-section (1) of section 9, shall, on conviction, be punishable with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees.

Levy of fees.

Validity of weights and measures, etc., duly stamped.

Stamped weights, * etc., to be prima facie deemed correct in any Court.

Penalty for fraudulent use of weights, measures, etc.

Penalty for making, etc.

Penalty for sale

Penalty for giving short weight or measure.

29. (1) Whoever uses or has in his etc., not authorised. measure or weighing or measuring instrument which is not authorised, verified, reverified or stamped under accordance with the provisions Act and the rules ln conviction, be punishable with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees and any trade had or made by such weight or measure or weighing measuring instrument shall be void. or

(2) When any such weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument is found in the possession of any trader or of any employee or agent of such trader, such trader shall be presumed, until the contrary is proved, to have had it in his possession for use for trade.

30. (1) Whoever in selling any article by weight or measure delivers or causes to be delivered to the purchaser a weight or measure less than what is purported to be sold by an amount of error exceeding that prescribed to be tolerated, shall, on conviction, be punishable with fine which may extend to three hundred rupees.

(2) In any area where any denomination of weight or measure styled the same as any standard weight or measure but not equivalent to the said standard weight or measure, has been heretofore in common use, any person who in selling any article by such denomination of weight or measure does not indicate to the purchaser by a written notice posted at the place of sale or by other sufficient means that the article is being sold by the standard weight or measure, shall be presumed until the contrary is proved to have committed an offence punishable under this section.

Penalty for sale or **31.** Whoever sells or delivers any delivery of weight weight or neasure or weighing or measure or measure, not increase increment not verified or reverified verified or stamped. ing instrument not verified or reverified and stamped under this Act, shall, on conviction, be punishable with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees.

Penalty for forging etc., of weights, measures, etc.

32. (1) Whoever forges or counterfeits any stamp used under this Act for the stamping of any weights or measures or weighing or measuring instrument or removes a stamp from any weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument and inserts the same into another weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument or wilfully increases or diminishes a weight or measure so stamped shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment of either description for a period which may extend to six months or with fine or with both.

(2) Whoever knowingly uses, sells, utters, disposes of or exposes for salo any weight or measure or weighing or

measuring instrument with such forged or counterfeit stamp thereon, or a weight or measure so increased or diminished shall, on conviction, be punished with rigorous imprisonment for a period which may extend to six months or with fine or with both.

33. Whoever when required to do so Penalty for neglect neglects or refuses to produce for inspecproduce weight for tion all weights or measures or weighing or measuring instruments in his possession or on his premises or refuses to permit an Inspector to examine the same or any of them or obstructs the entry of an Inspector under section 19 or other-wise obstructs or hinders him in the performance of his duties shall, on conviction, be punishable with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees.

Penalty for breach of duty by Inspector.

inspection.

34. If an Inspector knowingly stamps a weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument in contravention of the provisions of this Act or of the rules or is guilty of a breach of any duty imposed on him by this Act or by the rules, he shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment of either description for a period which may extend to one year or with fine or with both.

CHAPTER IV.

POWER TO FRAME RULES.

Power of Provincial Government to make tules,

35. (1) The Provincial Government may make rules for carrying into effect the purposes of this Act.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions, such rules may prescribe-

- (a) the composition, length, form and specifications of primary standard measures and the manner in which they shall be made;
- (b) the procedure for the verification, reverification, adjustment or renewal of primary standard measures;
- (c) the composition, weight, length, and specifications form of secondary and working standards, the agency by whom such standards shall be made, the person by whom and the manner in which such standards shall be stamped and the place at which such standards shall be kept ;
- (d) the procedure for the verification or reverification and marking of secondary and working standards and the person by whom and the place where they shall be verified or reverified ;
- (e) the kind and number of weighing and measuring instruments to be kept;

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- (f) the authority by whom certified scales shall be provided for the purposes of this Act and the rules and the manner in which they shall be verified or reverified;
- (g) the composition, weight, length, form, specifications and manufacture of weights and measures in use in any area;
 - verification, inspection, (h) the reverification, adjustment and stamping of weights and measures and weighing or measuring instruments in use in any area, including the prohibition of stamping in cases where the nature, denomination, material or mode of construction of the weight or measure or weighing or measuring instrument appears likely to facilitate the commission of fraud and the period within which such weights and weighing or measures and measuring instruments shall be verified or reverified;
 - (i) the circumstances and conditions under which and the manner stamps may be which in obliterated or defaced;
 - (j) the tests to be applied for the purpose of ascertaining the accuracy and efficiency of weights and measures and weighing or measuring instru-
 - (k) the limits of error to be allowed on verification in inspection tolerated on and measures and weighing or measuring instruments used or intended to be used for trade;
 - of error to be amount and weights (l) the tolerated in and weighing or instruments used measures or intended to be used for trade;
 - (m) the amount of error to be tolerated in selling articles by weights or measures generally or as regards any trade or class
 - (n) the fees to be charged for the verification, reverification, marking
 - adjustment and stamping of weights and measures and weighing or measuring instruments and the collection and

(0) the seizure, detention and deslevy of the same;

truction of weights and measures and weighing or measuring instruments which are not authorised by this Act;

- (p) the qualifications, functions and duties generally of Inspectors under this Act and the rules;
- (q) the time within which an appeal from a decision under subsection (1) of section 22 shall lie to the Provincial Government or officer appointed by the Provincial Government;
- other matters for which provision or insufficient (r) any provision is made in this Act and for which provision is, in the opinion of the Provincial Government, necessary.

(3) The power to make rules under this section shall be subject to the condition of previous publication in the official Gazette.

(4) All rules made under this section shall be published in the Gazette, and shall, unless some later date is appointed force on the date of such come into publication.

(5) All rules made under this section shall be laid as soon as possible after they are made before the Orissa Legislative Assembly not less than 14 days, for which may be comprised in one session or in two or more sessions, and shall be modifications as subject to such the Assembly may make during the said period.

CHAPTER V.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Protection to

36. No suit, prosecution or other legal proceeding shall be instituted against any person for anything which is in good faith done or intended to be done under the Act or the rules.

37. No prosecution under this Act shall be instituted except by or with the previous sanction of the Collector or any officer specially empowered by him or by the Provincial Government in this behalf.

38. Any of the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon the Provincial Government by this Act may be exercised and performed, subject to such conditions as the Provincial Government may think fit, by any person whom the Provincial Government may, by general or special order, empower in this behalf.

39. The Provincial Government may, after previous publication by notification in the Gazette and subject to such conditions and restrictions as it may think fit to impose, exempt any class of persons, any commodity, trade, any class of trades or any class of weights or measures or of

persons acting in good faith.

Cognizance of offences.

Delegation of powers by Provincial Government.

Power to exempt specified perions, meisure or weighing or merenting incirumant.

weighing or measuring instruments used or intended to be used for any purpose other than trade specified in the notification from all or any of the provisions of this Act.

Repeal. 40. On the coming into ione of the Part in any area the enactments in the Second Schedule shall mentioned in the Second Schedule shall cease to be in force in such area to the extent specified in the fourth column thereof :

Provided that the Provincial Government may by notification declare that the provisions of this Part shall cease to be in force in any local area on such date as may be specified in the notification, and thereupon the enactments mentioned in the Second Schedule with any subsequent statutory modification thereof shall revive and come into force in such area with effect on and from such date.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

A. Dry measures-

The Orissa gouni.

The sub-multiples $-\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{16}$, $\frac{1}{32}$ and $\frac{1}{64}$ gouni.

The multiples-5, 10, 20, 40 and 80 gouuis.

B. Liquid measures-

The Orissa seer.

The sub-multiples $-\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{8}$ and $\frac{1}{16}$ seer.

The multiples-2, 4 and 8 seers.

The Imperial gallon.

The pint equivalent to $\frac{1}{8}$ gallon.

Explanation.-(1) The unit of capacity called the Orissa gount is equivalent to the volume occupied by 320 tolas of air-free distilled water weighed in standard Indian Air against brass weights having a specific gravity of 8.143, one tola being 180 standard grains.

(2) The unit of capacity called the Orissa secr is equivalent to 1 of one Orissa gouni.

(3) The unit of capacity called the Imperial gallon contains ten British standard pounds of water at 62°F being in volume 277.274 cubic inches, which contains each 252.724 grains of water in a vacuum at 62°F. or 252 458 grains of water weighed with brass weights in air of 62°F. with the barometer at 30 inches.

C. Length-

The yard.

The inch = $\frac{1}{36}$ yard.

The foot = $\frac{1}{3}$ yard.

The furlong = 220 yards.

The mile = 1,760 yards.

The yard is that unit of length which is exactly equal to the certified yard kept in the custody of the Mint Master, Bombay.

D. Area and volume---

The square yard, square foot and square inch.

The cubic yard, cubic foot and cubic inch and sub-multiples of a cubic inch.

The acre = 4,840 square yards.

The decimal $=\frac{1}{100}$ acre.

Year.	Numbe	r. Enactments repealed,	Extent of repeal.
(922	VII	The Bihar and Orissa Municipal Act.	Clause (i) of section 291.
1920	v	The Madras District Muni- cipalities Act.	Clause (20) of section 306.
1920	XIV	The Madras Local Boards Act.	Sub-clause (d) of clause (10) of section 202.
1889	п	The Measures of Length	The whole.

Act. 1871 XXXI The Indian Weights and The whole. Measures of Capacity

Act.

C. G. NAIR

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