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An Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of certain Statutory Funds, and for maters connected therewith. WHEREAS in February 1959, a supplementary grant of a sum of rupees fourteen crores was made by the Bombay Legislative Assembly for the establishment of certain Funds known as Earmarked Funds and Endowment Funds for development activities in the State of Bombay; AND WHEREAS by the Bombay (Supplementary) Appropriation Act, 1959 (Bom V of 1959) the said sum was appropriated for the services and purposes "Miscellaneous" under the Head of Accounts "57, Miscellaneous" as expressed in the Schedule to that Act; AND WHEREAS in pursuance thereofthe Accountant General transferred from the Consolidated Fund to the State of Bombay the said sum of rupees fourteen crores to the credit of the pubic account of the State; AND WHEREAS in August 1959, a supplementary grant of a further sum of rupees one crore

the Bombay Legislative Assembly for the was by establishment of an Earmarked Fund for Co-operative aid; AND WHEREAS by the Bombay (Second Supplementary)Appropriation Act, 1959 (Bom.XL of 1959) the said sum of rupees one crore was appropriated for the services and purposes "Miscellaneous" under the Head of Accounts "57, Miscellaneous" as expressed in the Schedule to that Act; AND WHEREAS in pursuance thereof the Accountant General transferred from the Consolidated Fund to the State of Bombay the said sum of rupees one crore to the credit of the pubic account of the State: For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Bombay Government Gazette, 1959, Part. V, page 824. AND WHEREAS it is expedient toestablish by law Statutory Funds for the purposes for which the said Earmarked Funds and Endowment Funds were established and to make provisions for matters connected therewith; It is hereby enacted in the Tenth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

1. Short title and commencement :-

- (1) This Act may be called the BOMBAYSTATUTORY FUNDS ACT, 1959.
- (2) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

2. Establishment of Statutory Funds :-

- (1) On "the commencement of this Act there shall be established the Statutory Funds specified in Schedule A.
- (2) Subject to the provisions of this Act and the rules made thereunder, the Statutory Funds established by sub-section (1) shall be held and maintained on behalf of the Governor of Bombay by the Secretary to the Government of Bombay in the Finance Department.
- (3) On the date of commencement of this Act, the amount standing to the credit of each of the Earmarked Funds and Endowment Funds specified in Schedule B in the public account of the State shall be paid into the corresponding Statutory Fund established under sub-section (1).

3. Purposes for which the Statutory Funds may be applied :-

(1) From and out of the Statutory Funds established under subsection (1) of section 2 , no sums shall be paid or applied except in

the manner and for the purposes and to the extent hereinafter provided.

(2) The amounts standing to the credit of the Statutory Funds may be applied for the same purposes, in the same manner and to the same extent as the grants made to the corresponding Earmarked Funds and Endowment Funds as specified in Schedule B.

<u>4.</u> Investment and reinvestment of sums to credit of Statutory Funds :-

The State Government shall, from time to time, invest or reinvest all sums to the credit of the Statutory Funds at serial Nos. 10, 11 and 12 in Schedule A and may invest or reinvest all or any of the sums to the credit of the other Statutory Funds, in Government Securities as defined in clause (2) of Section 2 of the Public Debt Act, 1944, in the name of the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Finance Department, or such other officer as the State Government may specify in this behalf.

5. Interest and installments :-

Every loan advanced from any of the Statutory Funds shall bear interest at such rate and shall be made repayable in such installments and within such period as may be fixed, subject to sub-section (2) of section 3, by the rules made under this Act.

<u>6.</u> Interest accruing on sums invested or reinvested to form part of Statutory Funds :-

The interest which may from time to time accrue on sums under section 4 or section 5 shall form part of the respective Statutory Fund.

7. Power of State Government to make rules :-

- (1) The State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make rules for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this Act.
- (2) All rules made under this section shall be laid for not less than thirty days before each House of the State Legislature as soon as may be possible after they are made, and shall be subject to such modifications as the State Legislature may make during the session in which they are so laid or the session immediately following.

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(See section 3)

S.No.	Name of the Fund	Amount (Rs)	Remarks		
1	2	3	4		
1	Water Supply Fund	3,00,000	The fund will be utilized for financing water supply schemes in villages and small Municipal Towns having a population of not more than 30,000. Preference will, however be given to rural areas over urban areas. Long-term loans will be given from the fund at 3 per cent interest and will be repayable over a period of 25 years. The fund will be utilized for giving loans and not grant-in-aid.		
2	Fund for relief of distress caused by natural calamities apart from famine.	50,00,000	The fund will be utilized for giving both loans and grants. Relief necessities on account of famine will not be given out of this fund as there is already a separate fund (Famine Relief Fund) for the purpose.		
3	Fund for providing amenities such as playgrounds, parks, gardens, theatres, etc.	50,00,000	Long-term loans will be given out of this fund to Municipalities, District Local Boards and Gram Panchayats. The loans will be at a low rate of interest, viz. 3 per cent and will be repayable over a period of 25 years.		
4	Fund for construction of hostels for students, quarters for teaching staff, school or college buildings, etc.	2,00,00,000	Loans will be given from this fund to educational institutions. The loans will bear interest, at 3 per cent and will be repayable over a period of 25 years.		
5	Fund for construction of residential quarters for nurses, mid-wives, school mistresses and women social workers in rural and semi-urban areas.	1,00,00,000	Loans bearing 3 per cent interest and repayable over a period of 25 years will be given out of this fund, to local bodies including Village Panchayats.		
6	Housing Fund	2,00,00,000	Loans will be given out of this fund to Cooperative housing societies, Municipalities or Local Boards for developing land for facilitating and encouraging building activities to be undertaken thereon. The loans will bear		

			interest, at 3 per cent and will be
7	Fund for	1,50,00,000	repayable over a period of 25 years. The fund is intended for accelerating the
	amelioration of the	, , ,	pace of development envisaged in the
	economically		Five- Year Plan and for taking up
	underdeveloped		additional schemes, which can yield early
	areas in the State.		results in the economically
			underdeveloped areas of the State.
			Loans bearing interest at 3 per cent and
			will be repayable over a period of 25
8	Fisheries	50,00,000	years will be given from this fund.
	Development Fund	50,00,000	Loans bearing 3 per cent interest and repayable over a period of 25 years will
	Development runu		be given out of this fund, to Fisheries Co-
			operatives. If any grants are required to
			be given in addition to loans, the former
			will be met from departmental provisions
			and not from this earmarked fund.
9	Co-operative Aid	1,00,00,000	The Fund will be utilized for granting
	Fund		long-term loans with interest at 3 per
			cent to the Co-operative
			Processing and Joint Farming Societies
			which are in need of loan assistance for
			purchase of land and machinery and
			construction of buildings. The loan will be
			repayable in not more than 10
			installments. These loans will be granted
			after considering carefully that such loans
			do not compete with Central Financing
			Agencies and Apex Co-operative Banks
			or tend to weaken their working in any
			manner. The fund will be administered
10	Medical Research	1 00 00 000	by the Finance Department. The fund will have a credit of Rs. 1 crore
	Fund	1,00,00,000	and it will be built up by transfer of
	i una		securities from cash balance investment
			account, from the securities held in this
			fund will be utilized for financing research
			schemes, the corpus of the fund
			remaining intact. The fund will be
			administered on the lines of the Indian
			Council of Medical Research.
11	Scientific and	1,00,00,000	The fund will have a credit of Rs. 1 crore
	Industrial		and it will be built up by transfer of
	Research		securities from cash balance investment
	Endowment Fund		account. Only the interest receipts
			accruing from the securities held in this fund will be utilized for financing research
			schemes, the corpus of the fund
			remaining intact. The fund will be
			administered on the lines of the Indian

			Council of Industrial Research.
12	Agricultural	1,00,00,000	The fund will have a credit of Rs. 1 crore
	Research		and it will be built up by transfer of
	Endowment Fund		securities from cash balance investment
			account. Only the interest receipts
			accruing from the securities held in this
			fund will be utilized for financing research
			schemes, the corpus of the fund
			remaining intact. The fund will be
			administered on the lines of the Indian
			Council of Agricultural Research.
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