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NOTIFICATION

No. H. 12017/55/99-LJD/245, the 6th April, 2000. The following Central Acts is hereby published for general information.

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THE NOTARIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1999 **AN** **ACT**

Further to amend the Notaries Act, 1952.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Fiftieth Year of the Republic of India as follows :—

1. This Act may be called the Notaries (Amendment) Short title.
Act, 1999.

53 of 1952. 2. In section 2 of the Notaries Act, 1952 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), for clause (c) the following clause shall be substituted namely :— Amend-
ment of
section 2.

25 of 1961. (c) "legal practitioner" means an advocate entered in any roll under the provisions of the Advocates Act, 1961,

3. In section 5 of the principal Act.—

Amend-
ment of
section 5.

(a) in sub-section (1),—

(i) in the opening portion, for the word "shall", the word "may" shall be substituted;

(ii) in clause (b), for the words "three years", the words "five years" shall be substituted;

(b) for sub-section (2), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely :—

"(2) The Government appointing the notary, may, on receipt of an application and the prescribed fee, renew the certificate of practice of any notary for a period of five years at a time."

Amendment 4. In section 8 of the principal Act, in sub-section (1),—
of section 8.

(a) after clause (h), the following clauses shall be inserted, namely:—

"(ha) act as a Commissioner to record evidence in any civil or criminal trial if so directed by any court or authority;

(hb) act as an arbitrator, mediator or conciliator, if so required;"

Amendment 5. In section 10 of the principal Act,—
of section 10.

(i) in clause (d), the word "or" shall be inserted at the end;

(ii) after clause (d) the following clauses shall be inserted, namely :—

"(e) is convicted by any court for an offence involving moral turpitude; or

(f) does not get his certificate of practice renewed;"

Amendment 6. In section 12 of the principal Act, for the words of section "three months" the words "one year" shall be substituted.

Amendment 7. In section 15 of the principal Act, in sub-section of section (2), for clause (c), the following clause shall be substituted, namely :—

"(c) the fees payable for appointment as a notary and for the issue and renewal of a certificate of practice or enlargement of area of practice and exemption whether wholly or in part, from such fees in specified classes of cases;"