

ASSAM KALA-AZAR TREATMENT ACT, 1949

ASSAM ACT X OF 1949. THE ASSAM KALA-AZAR TREATMENT ACT, 1949. (Passed by the Assembly) (Received the assent of the Governor on the 17th May, 1949.) [Published in the Assam Gazette of the 25th May, 1949.] An Act to provide for Prevention of treatment of Kala-azar Patients in Assam by unauthorised Persons. WHEREAS it is expedient to prevent treatment of Kala. Preamble. azar patients by unauthorised persons. It is hereby enacted as follows :— Short title, 1. (1) This Act may be called the Assam Kala-azar extent and Treatment Act, 1949. commence. ment. (2) It extends to the whole of Assam. (3) It shall come into force on such date as the Provincial Government may, by notification, appoint. Definititons

2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—(a) "Kala-azar patient" means a patient who has been diagnosed as such by a registered medical practi- tioner, or a medical practitioner possessing a special certifi- cate of Government for diagnosis and treatment of Kala- azar cases • registered medical practitioner" means any A s s a m person registered under the provisions of the Assam MedicaJ Act I Of 1916. Act, 1916. Treatment 3. No person shall treat or inject a Kala-azar patient of Kala-azar for Kala-azar unless— patient. (i) he is a registered medical practitioner, or (ii) he is a medical practitioner possessing a special certificate of Government for diagnosis and treatment of Kala-azar cases : Provided that such a Kala-azar patient may be treated or injected for Kala-azar by an unregistered practitioner under the supervision of a registered medical practitioner or a medical practitioner possessing a special certificate of Government for diagnosis and treatment of Kala-azar. Penalties, 4. Whoever treats or injects a Kala-azar patient in con- trevention of the provisions of section 3 shall be punishable with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to six months or a fine which may extend to five hundred rupees or with both. Price 1 anna or 1 d. 2 Arrest and 5. (a) If a person commits an offence mentioned in trial. section 4 he may be arrested without warrant by any police officer not below the rank of a Sub-Ins- pector. (b) A person so arrested shall, with the least possible delay, be taken before a Magistrate having authority to try him. Jurisdiction • 6. No Court inferior to that of a Magistrate of the second class shall try any offence under this Act. Powers to 7. The Provincial Government may make rules for make rules, carrying out the purposes of this Act. A.C.P. (Lego,