

ASSAM RHINOCEROS PRESERVATION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1970

a ASSAM ACT xvii OF 1970 (Received the assent of the Governor on the 25th September, 1971) THE ASSAM RHINOCEROS PRESERVATION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1970 [Published in the Assam Gazette, Extraordinary, dated the 1st October, 1970] An Act to amend the Assam Rhinoceros Preservation Act, 1954 Preamble. I'Whereas it is expedient to amend the Assam Rhinoceros Preservation Act, 1954, hereinafter called the principal Act, in the manner hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted in the Twenty-first Year of the Republic of India as follows 1. (1) This Act may be called the Assam Rhino- Short title, extent and Rhinoceros Preservation (Amendment) Act, 1970, commencement, (2) It shall have the like application as the principal Act. (3) It shall come into force at once, Amendment 2, In section 2 of the principal Act between the words "Rhinoceros" and "unless" the words "or Of Assam be in possession of any limb or part of a rhinoceros" Act XX of shall be inserted. —1954' 3. (1) In sub-section (1) of section 5 of the principal Act after the words "or capture any Rhinoceros" Of Assam the words "or is found to be in possession of any limb Act XX of or part of a rhinoceros" shall be inserted. 1954. (2) The words 6 'with fine of one thousand rupees and with imprisonment which may extend to one year" shall be substituted by the words 6 'with fine of two thousand rupees and with imprisonment which may extend to three years". Price @ Rs.0 05 paise only 2 Amendment 4. In sub-section (1) of section 7 of the principal Act after the words "or capture any Rhinoceros" and of Assam Act XX of before the words "in contravention of the provisions 1954. Amendment of section 8 of Assam Act XX of 1954. of this Act" the words "or possessing any limb or part of a rhinoceros" shall be inserted. 5, Section 8 of the principal Act shall be substituted by the following "Any Forest Officer not being below the rank of a Forester or any Police Officer not being below the rank of a Sub-Inspector of Police, who has reason to believe that for tracing an offence against this Act immediate search of a building or enclosed place is - indispensable, may, even without obtaining a warrant from a Magistrate, search such building or enclosed place and seize such instruments, implements or any other thing which may furnish evidence of the commission of the offence: Provided that after such search, he shall submit a report in writing within forty-eight hours to the Magistrate within whose jurisdiction the said search was made. AGP (Law) i-70.