

SIKKIM OFFICIAL LANGUAGE ACT 1977

GOVERNMENT EXTRAORDINARY PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY GAZETTE No. 121 Gangtok, ' Thursday, October 27, 1977 LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT NOTIFICATION No. 5/LL/77 Dated Gangtok, the 25th October, 1977 The following Act of the Sikkim Legislative 'Assembly having received the assent of the Governor: on, the 17th day of October, 1977 is hereby published for general information. SIKKIM ACT NO. 5 OF 1977, THE SIKKIM OFFICIAL LANGUAGES ACT, 1977 AN ACT The Nepali, the Bhutia, the Lepcha and the Limbu; languages as the languages to Short title and extent. use for the official purposes of the State of Sikkim. WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the adoption of the Nepali, the Bhutia, the Lepcha and the Limbu; languages as the languages to Short title and extent. use for the official purposes of the State of Sikkim; It is hereby enacted in the Twentieth year of the Republic of India by the Legislature of Sikkim, as follows (1) This Act may be called the Sikkim Official Languages Act 1977. (2) It extends to the whole of Sikkim. (3) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint. Languages to be With effect from such date, as the State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, specify in this behalf, purposes of the Nepali, the Bhutia and the Lepcha languages shall be the languages to be used for the official purposes of the State of Sikkim; "Provided that different dates, may be specified for different purposes. 4. - Notwithstanding anything contained in section 2, the English language English for use shall continue to be used for transaction of business in the Legislative Assembly in the Legislative Assembly of Sikkim in addition to the official languages of the State. (1) (2) The State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act. All rules made under this Section shall be laid as soon as may be, after they are made, before the Legislative Assembly while it is in session and if before the expiry of the session in which they are so laid or the next session immediately following, the Legislative Assembly resolves to make any modification in the rules, or resolves that such rules or any portion thereof shall not have effect, the rules shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, in whole or in part, as the case may, so however, that any such resolution shall be without prejudice to the validity of any thing previously done under such rules before such resolution. By SIKKIM Order of, the Governor. B. R. PRADHAN, Secretary to the Government of Sikkim. F, 16 (35)LL/77. OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM.