

**MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS****(Department of Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh Affairs)****ORDER**

New Delhi, the 18th March, 2020

**S.O. 1123(E).**—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 96 of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganization Act, 2019 (34 of 2019), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Central Government hereby makes the following Order in respect of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir, namely: —

1. (1) This Order may be called the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Adaptation of Central Laws) Order, 2020.

(2) It shall come into force with immediate effect.

2. The General Clauses Act, 1897 applies for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for interpretation of laws in force in the territory of India.

3. With immediate effect, the Acts mentioned in the Schedule to this Order shall, until repealed or amended by a competent Legislature or other competent authority, have effect, subject to the adaptations and modifications directed by the Schedule to this Order, or if it is so directed, shall stand repealed.

4. Where this Order requires that in any specified section or other portion of an Act, certain words shall be substituted for certain other words, or the certain words shall be omitted, such substitution or omission, as the case

may be, shall, except where it is otherwise expressly provided, be made wherever the words referred to occur in that section or portion.

5. The provisions of this Order which adapt or modify any law so as to alter the manner in which, the authority by which or the law under or in accordance with which, any powers are exercisable, shall not render invalid any notification, order, commitment, attachment, bye-law, rule or regulation duly made or issued, or anything duly done before the 31<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2019; and any such notification, order commitment, attachment, bye-law, rule, regulation or anything may be revoked, varied or undone in the like manner, to the like extent and in the like circumstances as if it had been made, issued or done after the commencement of this Order by the competent authority and in accordance with the provisions then applicable to such case.

6. (1) The repeal or amendment of any law specified in the Schedule to this Order shall not affect—

(a) the previous operation of any law so repealed or anything duly done or suffered thereunder;

(b) any right, privilege, obligation or liability acquired, accrued or incurred under any law so repealed;

(c) any penalty, forfeiture or punishment incurred in respect of any offence committed against any law so repealed; or

(d) any investigation, legal proceeding or remedy in respect of any such right, privilege, obligation, liability, penalty, forfeiture or punishment as aforesaid and any such investigation, legal proceeding or remedy may be instituted, continued or enforced, and any such penalty, forfeiture or punishment may be imposed, as if the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019 or this Order had not come into force.

(2) Subject to the provisions of sub-paragraph (1), anything done or any action taken (including any appointment or delegation made, notification, instruction or direction issued, form, bye-law or scheme framed, certificate obtained, permit or licence granted or registration effected or agreement executed) under any such law shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of the Central Laws now extended and applicable to the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir and shall continue to be in force accordingly unless and until superseded by anything done or any action taken under the Central Laws now extended to the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

354E.—

After section 354D, insert the following section, namely:-

**“354E. Sextortion.—**(1) Whoever,—

- (a) being in a position of authority; or
- (b) being in a fiduciary relationship; or
- (c) being a public servant,

abuses such authority or fiduciary relationship or misuses his official position to employ physical or non physical forms of coercion to extort or demand sexual favours from any woman in exchange of some benefits or other favours that such person is empowered to grant or withhold, shall be guilty of offence of sextortion.

**Explanation.—**For the purpose of this section, ‘sexual favour’ shall mean and include any kind of unwanted sexual activity ranging from sexually suggestive conduct, sexually explicit actions such as touching, exposure of private body parts to sexual intercourse, including exposure over the electronic mode of communication.

(2) Any person who commits the offence of sextortion shall be punished with rigorous imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than three years but may extend to five years and with fine.”

### 23. THE INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY CODE, 2016

(31 of 2016)

Section 1.—

In sub-section (2), omit the proviso.

### 24. THE LIMITATION ACT, 1963

(36 of 1963)

**Insertion of Section 30A .—** After section 30, insert the following section, namely:-

**“30A. Provision for suits, etc., for which the prescribed period is shorter than the period prescribed by the Limitation Act, samvat 1995.—**Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act,—

- (a) Any suit for which the period of limitation is shorter than the period of limitation prescribed by the Limitation Act, Samvat 1995, may be instituted within a period of one year next after the commencement of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019 or within the period prescribed for such suit by the Limitation Act, Samvat 1995, whichever period expires earlier:

Provided that if in respect of any such suit, the said period of one year expires earlier than period of limitation prescribed therefor under the Limitation Act, Samvat 1995 (now repealed) and the said period of one year together with so much of the period of limitation in respect of such suit under the said Act, as has already expired before the commencement of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019 is shorter than the period prescribed for such suit under the Limitation Act, 1963, then, the suit may be instituted within the period of limitation prescribed therefor under the Limitation Act, 1963;