

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MANIPUR AND HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR OF ASSAM**

Without prejudice to whatever agreement or Treaty may in due course be arrived at between the Manipur State and the Union Government and till such time as an agreement or Treaty is reached with the Union Government after the New State Constitution is introduced His Highness the Maharaja in Council agrees :—

- a, That the Administration Rules introduced on July 1st 1947 and allied measures including the appointment Board Rules, the State Courts Act and the Account Rules shall continue in force after August 15th 1947 or such date as Paramountcy may lapse and shall not be the subject of amendment except by His Highness in Council, who shall inform His Excellency the Governor of such amendment.
- (b) That the controls provided in the Confidential instruction to the Administration Rules shall continue saving that clause (a) shall lapse on the introduction of the Hill Regulation and that in clause (f) it shall be provided that the State Budget shall be submitted to His Excellency for his information and advice. Further that wherever the term "Agent to the Crown Representative" and "Political Agent" is used in the Instruction the terms "agent to the Government of the Indian Union" and Union Agent shall be substituted.

In addition His Highness in Council shall accept any advice tendered by His Excellency the Governor of Assam as Agent to the Government of the Indian Union in any matter concerning the State, it being understood that there shall be the minimum of interference in the internal affairs of the State.

- (c) That the introduction of Constitutional Government shall be expedited and that His Highness in Council shall submit proposals in this regard as early as possible to His Excellency the Agent to the Union Government for his advice.
- d) That His Highness in Council shall accept an officer appointed by the Union Government and residing in the State to act as agent to His Excellency in the exercise of functions vested in His Excellency by this agreement ; further whatever facilities are required by this officer and by whatever troops may be stationed in the State shall by mutual agreement be provided.
- (e) The Officer of the Union Government stationed in the State may call for any records connected with a matter concerning a member of the Hill Tribes at his discretion and may issue such advice as seems necessary. Further that facilities shall be given for the Union Officer to tour in the State and that no orders shall be issued under Section 77 or 78 of the Hill Regulation without the prior advice of the Union Agent. Should these sections be deleted in the course of discussions this last provision will not arise.
- e. Further that in the application of the power vested in him under this Section the Union Agent shall avoid interference in the day to day administration of the Hills.
- (f) That the Hill Regulation shall be introduced simultaneously with the State Courts Act and that this shall be done before August 15th 1947.

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2nd July 1947.

His Highness the Maharaja of Manipur in Council.