

SIKKIM
GOVERNMENT  GAZETTE

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PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY

No. 121

Gangtok, Monday, October 17, 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

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to provide for the adoption of the Nepali, the Bhutia and the Lepcha languages as the languages to be used for the official purposes of the State of Sikkim.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the adoption of the Nepali, the Bhutia and the Lepcha languages as the languages to be used for the official purposes of the State of Sikkim;

It is hereby enacted in the Twenty-eighth year of the Republic of India by the Legislature of Sikkim, as follows:—

Short title and extent.

1.(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 used for the official purposes of the State.

2. With effect from such date, as the State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, specify in this behalf, the Nepali, the Bhutia and the Lepcha languages shall be the languages to be used for all official purposes of the State of Sikkim Provided that different dates may be specified for different official purposes.

(2)

Power to make rules.

3. (1) The State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.
- (2) 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 Order of the Governor,

B. R. PRADHAN,

**Secretary to the Government
of Sikkim.**

F. 16(35)LL/77.

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LAW DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM

Notification No. 6/LD/81.

Dated Gangtok, the 31st March, 1981.

The following Act of the Sikkim Legislative Assembly having received the assent of the Governor on 30th day of March, 1981, is hereby published for general information.

SIKKIM OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1981.

ACT No. 5 OF 1981.

AN
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to amend the Sikkim Official Languages Act, 1977 (5 of 1977).

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Sikkim in the Thirty-second year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Sikkim Official Languages (Amendment) **Short title**, Act, 1981.

2. In the Sikkim Official Languages Act, 1977 (5 of 1977), in the long title, **Amendment of** the preamble and section 2, for the words "the Nepali, the Bhutia and the **long title**, Lepcha", the words "the Nepali, the Bhutia, the Lepcha and the Limbu" **preamble and section 2.** shall be substituted.

By Order of the Governor,

B. R. PRADHAN,
Secretary to the Government of Sikkim,
Law Department,
F. No. 16(35)LD/79.

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GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM
LAW DEPARTMENT
GANGTOK

NOTIFICATION

No.5/LD/1
990.

Dated Gangtok the 9th April, 1990.

The following Act of the Sikkim Legislative Assembly having received the assent of the Governor on 30th day of March, 1990, is hereby published for general information :-

THE SIKKIM OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1990. (ACT No. 5 OF 1990) AN ACT further to amend the Sikkim Official Languages Act, 1977.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of Sikkim in the Forty-first Year of the Republic of India as follows :-

- Short title and commencement* I. (1) This Act may be called the Sikkim Official Languages (Amendment) Act, 1990.
- (2) It shall come into force with effect from the 26th day of April, 1990.
- Insertion of after new section 2A* 2. In the Sikkim Official Languages Act, 1977, (s of 1977) section 2, the following section, shall be inserted, namely :-
- Continuance of English for use Assem-in the Legislative Assembly.* "2A. Notwithstanding anything contained in section 2, the English language shall continue to be used for transaction of business in the Legislative Assembly of Sikkim in addition to the official languages of the State."

By Order the Governor.

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GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM
LAW DEPARTMENT
GANGTOK.

NOTIFICATION

No. 5/LD/90

Dated the 3rd April, 1995.

The following Act of the Sikkim Legislative Assembly having received the assent of the Governor on 31st day of March, 1995 is hereby published for general information :-

THE SIKKIM OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1995
(ACT NO. 5 OF 1995)
AN
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to amend the Sikkim Official Languages Act, 1977 (5 of 1977).

BE it enacted by the Legislature of Sikkim in the Forty Seventh year of

the Republic of India as follows :-

Short title. 1. This Act may be called the Sikkim Official Languages (Amendment) Act, 1995.

Amendment of 2. In the Sikkim Official Languages Act, 1977 (5 of 1977), in the long title, *long title,* the preamble and section 2 for the words, "the Nepali, the Bhutia, *preamble and* the Lepcha and the Limbu" the words "the Nepali, the Bhutia, *section 2.* the Lepcha, the Limbu, the Newari, the Rai, the Gurung, the Mangar, the Sherpa and the Tamang" shall be substituted.

By Order of the Governor,

B.R. PRADHAN,
Secretary to the Government of Sikkim,
Law Department.

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GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM
LAW DEPARTMENT
GANGTOK

5/LD/96

Dated : 15th October, 1996

NOTIFICATION

The following Act of the Sikkim Legislative Assembly having received the assent of the Governor on 8th day of October, 1996 is hereby published for general information:-

THE SIKKIM OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1996
ACT NO.5 OF 1996
AN
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to amend the Sikkim Official Languages Act, 1977 (5 of 1977)

Be It enacted by the legislature of Sikkim in the Forty-Seventh year of the Republic of India as follows.

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| <i>Short title</i> | 1. | This Act may be called the Sikkim Official Language(Amendment) Act, 1996 |
| <i>Amendment of long title, preamble and section 2.</i> | 2. | In the Sikkim Official Languages Act, 1977(5of 1977), in the long title, the preamble and section 2, for the words "and the Tamang" the words "the Tamang and the Sunuwar" shall be substituted. |

By Order of the Governor,

(B.R.PRADHAN)
SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF SIKKIM
LAW DEPARTMENT.

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GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM
LAW DEPARTMENT
GANGTOK

No. 8/LD/17

Dated: 5th June, 2017

NOTIFICATION

The following Act passed by the Sikkim Legislative Assembly and having received assent of the Governor on 27th day of May, 2017 is hereby published for general information :-

THE SIKKIM OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017

(ACT NO. 8 OF 2017)

AN

ACT

further to amend the Sikkim Officials Languages Act, 1977.

BE it enacted by the Legislature of Sikkim in the Sixty-eight Year of the Republic of India, as follows :-

Short title, extent and commencement

1. (1) This Act may be called the Sikkim Official Languages (Amendment) Act, 2017.
- (2) It shall extend to the whole of Sikkim.
- (3) The provision of Section 2A shall be deemed to have come into force on the 7th day of April, 1990 and the provision of Section 2B shall come into force at once.

Amendment of Section 2A

2. In the Sikkim Official Language Act, 1977 (hereinafter referred to as the "said Act"), in Section 2A, -
 - (1) in the marginal heading, after the words "Legislative Assembly", the words "and for transaction of business of the State Government" shall be inserted;
 - (2) after the words "Legislative Assembly of Sikkim", the words "and for transaction of business of the state Government" shall be inserted.

**Insertion of new
Section 2B**

**“Requirement of
proficiency in state
recognized language**

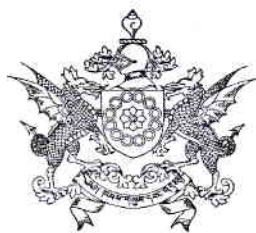
3. In the said Act after Section 2A the following new section shall be inserted, namely :-

2B Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, any person/candidate intending to join in any post in a regular service/cadre, not below the grade of Under Secretary or equivalent for which rules been framed by the State Government under the proviso to Article 309 of the constitution or in any other post, not below the grade of Under Secretary or equivalent being governed by the relevant rules as may be applicable must have proficiency in Nepali language or in any of the official languages recognized under the Sikkim Official Languages Act, 1977, in addition to English:

Provided that it shall not apply in case of any post retirement employment or in case of employment in an advisory or statutory position after retirement from service”.

Jagat B. Rai (SSJS)
L. R-cum-Secretary,
Law Department.

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GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM
LAW & PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT
GANGTOK

No. 11(656)L&PAD/2021/08

Dated: 07.09.2022

NOTIFICATION

The following Act passed by the Sikkim Legislative Assembly and having received assent of the Governor on 25th day of August, 2022 is hereby published for general information :-

THE SIKKIM OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2022 (ACT No. 16 of 2022)

AN

ACT

further to amend the Sikkim Official Languages Act, 1977 (5 of 1977).

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Sikkim in the Seventy-third Year of the Republic of India as follows :-

- Short title, extent and commencement**
- (1) This Act may be called the Sikkim Official Languages (Amendment) Act, 2022.
 - (2) It shall extend 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.
- Amendment of section 2**
2. In the Sikkim Official Languages Act, 1977, in the long title, the preamble and section 2, after the words "the Sunuwar" the words "the Bhujel" shall be inserted.

Suraj Chettri (SSJS),
L.R.-cum-Secretary,
Law & Parliamentary Affairs Department.