

FORM B
Receipt in Duplicate
(See Rule 17)

1. Serial No.
2. Date of receipt.
3. From whom received.
4. On what account received.
5. Provisions of the Act or the rules under which chargeable.
6. Amount of fees.

Signature of Registrar

2. Assam

THE HINDU MARRIAGE (ASSAM) RULES, 1961

1. These Rules may be called the Hindu Marriage (Assam) Rules, 1961 and they shall come into force at once.

Note:— Under section 8 of the Hindu Marriage Act, the State Government is empowered to make rules whenever it is considered necessary within the provisions of the Act. Contravention of the rules made by the State Government is punishable even under the Act. The question whether marriage should be registrable, whether compulsory or otherwise, is left to the discretion of the State Government. The present rules were made as such in exercise of the power conferred under section 8 of the Act, vide Notification No. R.G. 45/58/13, dated the 7th February, 1961. ✓

Section 8(5) clarifies that omission to register a marriage will not effect its validity.

2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) "Act" means the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 (Central Act 25 of 1955); ✓
- (b) "Section" means the section of the Act;
- (c) "Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages" appointed under Act VI of 1886, shall be Registrar General for the purposes of this Act;
- (d) "District Registrars" and "Sub-Registrars" appointed under Act XVI of 1908, shall be "Marriage Officer" for the purposes of this Act;
- (e) "Form" means a form appended under the Schedule to these rules.

3. Every Registrar or Marriage Officer shall cause his name, designation and the working hours of his office to be written in English and in the language or languages of the district, place or area in which he functions as such and displayed in a conspicuous part of the building in which his office is situated.

4. (1) When a marriage is intended to be solemnized under the Act by a Marriage Officer, the parties to the intended marriage shall give notice thereof in writing in Form I specified in the Schedule appended to these Rules to such Officer either in person or by registered post.

(2) Where the notice is delivered in person, the fee prescribed therefor in Rule 14 shall be paid in cash to the Marriage Officer.

(3) Where the notice is sent by registered post, the fee shall be remitted by money order at the remitter's expenses and the receipt issued by the post office through which the remittance is made shall be attached to the notice.