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III.A - Definition of "State"

III. Fundamental Rights

12. Definition -

In this Part, unless the context otherwise requires, "the State" includes the Government and Parliament of India and the Government and the Legislature of each of the States and all local or other authorities within the territory of India or under the control of the Government of India.

IV. Directive Principles of State Policy

36. Definition -

In this Part, unless the context otherwise requires, "the State" has the same meaning as in Part III.

III.B – The Scheduled and Tribal Areas

244. Administration of Scheduled and Tribal Areas - (1) The provisions of the Fifth Schedule shall apply to the administration and control of the Scheduled Areas and Scheduled Tribes in any State 1 *** other than 2 [the States of Assam 3 [, 4[Meghalaya, Tripura and Mizoram]]].

(2) The provisions of the Sixth Schedule shall apply to the administration of the tribal areas in 2 [the States of Assam 3 [, 5 [Meghalaya, Tripura and Mizoram]]].

339. Control of the Union over the Administration of Scheduled Areas and the Welfare of Scheduled Tribes - (1) The President may at any time and shall, at the expiration of ten years from the commencement of this Constitution by order appoint a Commission to report on the administration of the Scheduled Areas and the welfare of the Scheduled Tribes in the States.

The order may define the composition, powers and procedure of the Commission and may contain such incidental or ancillary provisions as the President may consider necessary or desirable.

(2) The executive power of the Union shall extend to the giving of directions to [a State] as to the drawing up and execution of schemes specified in the direction to be essential for the welfare of the Scheduled Tribes in the State.