

PAPUA.



No. 10 of 1926.

AN ORDINANCE

To Amend the "Land Ordinance, 1911-1924."

[RESERVED 19TH JULY, 1926;
ASSENTED TO 13TH OCTOBER, 1926.]^(a)

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Territory of Papua with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows:—

1. (1) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Land Ordinance, 1926*. Short title and citation.

(2) In this Ordinance the *Land Ordinance, 1911-1924*, is referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3) The Principal Ordinance as amended by this Ordinance may be cited as the *Land Ordinance, 1911-1926*.

2. Section Fifteen of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting from Subsection (3) thereof all the words occurring therein after the words "has been paid" down to the end of the subsection. Amendment of s. 15 of the Principal Ordinance.

3. After Section Eighteen of the Principal Ordinance the following new section is inserted:—

"18A. (1) The Lieutenant-Governor may if he thinks advisable so to do cause any land assessed Unimproved value of land may be re-assessed in certain cases.

(a) Assent notified in *Gazette* No. 18 of 3rd November, 1926.

or deemed to be assessed before or after the commencement of this section under the provisions of this Ordinance or any Ordinance hereby repealed to be re-assessed whenever the same shall not be comprised in any lease existing at the time of such re-assessment.

(2) Such re-assessment may be made from time to time.

(3) Every such re-assessment shall be published in the *Gazette* and such re-assessment (or in the case of more than one re-assessment in respect of the same land then the last re-assessment so made) shall be the basis on which rents shall be determined in respect of the land so re-assessed.

(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Ordinance or in any Ordinance hereby repealed all re-assessments of land made and published in the *Gazette* before the commencement of this section shall be and be deemed to be valid for all purposes.

(5) The provisions of Subsection (5) of the last preceding section shall apply to any re-assessment under the provisions of this section.”

4. After Section Thirty-three of the Principal Ordinance the following new section is inserted:—

Rent of
certain town
allotments.

“33A (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the last preceding section rent in respect of land comprised in leases of town allotments granted after the commencement of this section shall be determined at seven and one-half per centum per annum of the unimproved value of the land but the rent shall not be less than One pound a year for a quarter acre allotment.

(2) The unimproved value of the land comprised in any such lease shall be appraised every twenty years during the currency thereof and the rent shall be determined at seven and one-half per centum of the unimproved value so appraised.”

Amendment
of s. 45 of the
Principal
Ordinance.

5. Section Forty-five of the Principal Ordinance is amended by adding at the end thereof the following words “and at such upset price as may either generally or in

any particular case or classes of cases be directed by the Lieutenant-Governor.”

6. Section Fifty-five of the Principal Ordinance is amended by adding at the end thereof the following words “and at such upset price as may either generally or in any particular case or classes of cases be directed by the Lieutenant-Governor.”

Amendment
of s. 55 of the
Principal
Ordinance.

Passed in Council this nineteenth day of July, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor-General, with the advice of the Executive Council of the Commonwealth of Australia, on the thirteenth day of October, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.