

# STATUTORY RULES.

## No. 1 of 1920.

### REGULATIONS FOR CUTTING AND REMOVING SAGO.

Made under the *Sago Ordinance*, 1908-1917.

1. These regulations may be cited as the *Sago Regulations*, 1920.

2. No sago licence shall be granted except in respect of land situated in a proclaimed sago reserve.

3. No Crown land or land which, for the purposes of the *Sago Ordinance*, 1908-1917, is deemed to be Crown land shall be proclaimed a sago reserve unless the Lieutenant-Governor in Council is satisfied that the sago growing thereon is not, and is not likely to be, required for food by the natives in the district in which the land is situated.

4. Application for a sago licence shall be made to the Commissioner for Lands in writing, and shall specify as nearly as possible—

(a) the position of the land in respect of which the licence is required ;

(b) the area of the land ; and

(c) the total area already held by the applicant under sago licence

and shall be accompanied by a plan showing as nearly as possible the situation and extent of such land.

5. (1) A sago licence shall be granted for one year only.

(2) A sago licence, on the application of the licensee, may be renewed yearly, but the granting of such renewal shall, except in the circumstances set out in sub-paragraphs (3) and (4) of this paragraph, be wholly in the discretion of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

(3) If the licensee, when applying for a first renewal of a sago licence, satisfies the Lieutenant-Governor in Council that he has at some time during the preceding twelve months erected on the area included in the licence, and thereafter during the remainder of the period, kept erected thereon in good and efficient repair a factory with necessary plant and machinery approved by the Commissioner for Lands capable of producing at least one thousand pounds weight daily of raw sago (sago flour) for each square mile or portion of a square mile of the area included in the licence, the licence shall be renewed for a second term of one year.

4. If the licensee when subsequently applying for any renewal of a sago licence (after the first renewal) satisfies the Lieutenant-Governor in Council—

(a) that the factory, plant and machinery mentioned in sub-paragraph (3) of this paragraph has been kept and is still erected on the said area and is in good and efficient repair ; and

(b) that the licensee has throughout the last preceding twelve months continuously employed upon the said area at least five native labourers for each square mile or portion of a square mile included in the area in the work of sago production

the licence shall be renewed on each such subsequent application for a period of twelve months from the expiration of the last preceding renewal: Provided that no renewal shall be granted after the expiration of twenty-five years from the date the licence was first issued.

6. The area of land included in any one sago licence shall not exceed four square miles.

7. A sago licence shall be in the form of the schedule hereto or to the like effect.

8. The rent payable for a sago licence shall be Ten shillings (10/-) for every one hundred acres or part of one hundred acres included in the licence.

9. An applicant for a sago licence shall deposit with his application one half a year's rent.

10. (1) Immediately after the granting of an application for a licence the applicant shall pay in advance such proportion of one year's rent as shall be equal to the rent for the period calculated from the time the application was granted to the thirtieth day of June, or the thirty-first day of December, whichever of such days shall first follow the date on which the application was granted; and thereafter rent shall be paid in respect of the licence half-yearly in advance on the first days of the months of January and July in every year during its currency.

(2) The amount of the deposit lodged with the application will be applied so far as it will extend in payment of rent under this paragraph.

11. All sago palms cut on or removed from any area included in a sago licence shall be used for the manufacture of sago only unless the licensee obtains the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor to use them for any other purpose.

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