



## THE IDENTIFICATION OF PRISONERS ACT, 1920



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# THE IDENTIFICATION OF PRISONERS ACT, 1920

<sup>1</sup>ACT No. XXXIII OF 1920

[9th September, 1920]

**An Act to authorise the taking of measurements and photographs of convicts and others.**

WHEREAS it is expedient to authorise the taking of measurements and photographs of convicts and others;

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

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<sup>1</sup> For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see *Gazette of India, 1920, Pt. V, p. 162*; and for Proceedings in Council, see *ibid.*, 1920, Pt. VI, pp. 1037 and 1143.  
This Act has been amended in its application to the Province of Sind by Bombay Acts 11 of 1922, 4 of 1935 and 21 of 1935.  
It has been applied to Phulera in the Excluded Area of Upper Tanawal to the extent the Act is applicable in the N.W.F.P., and extended to the Excluded Area of Upper Tanawal (N.W.F.P) other than Phulera with effect from such date and subject to such modifications as may be notified see N.W.F.P. (Upper Tanawal) (Excluded Area) Laws Regulation, 1950.