

# **The Prisons (Assam Amendment) Act, 1956**

**(ASSAM ACT XII OF 1956)**

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**An**

**Act**

**to amend the Prisons Act, 1894 in its application to Assam.**

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Prisons Act, 1894 (Act IX of 1894), hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act, in its application to Assam in the manner hereinafter appearing;

**1. Short title, extent and commencement. -**

- (1) This Act may be called the Prisons (Assam Amendment) Act, 1956.
- (2) It extends to the whole of Assam.
- (3) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment of Section 46 of Act IX of 1894. -**

(1) In Section 46 of the Principal Act, clause (12) and the words “or to whipping” appearing in the proviso to the said section shall be omitted and a full stop shall be substituted for the comma appearing after the word “fetter” in the said proviso.

(2) In section 46 of the Principal Act, add the following clauses after clause (11), namely: -

“(12) forfeiture of class, grade, or prison privileges for a period not exceeding three months;

(13) permanent or temporary reduction from a higher to a lower class or grade.”

**3. Amendment of Section 47 of Act IX of 1894. -**

In sub-section (1) of Section 47 of the Principal Act, clause (4) shall be omitted.

**4. Amendment of Section 50 of Act IX of 1894. -**

In sub-section (1) of Section 50 of the Principal Act the words and comma “or of whipping,” shall be omitted.

**5. Amendment of Section 51 of Act IX of 1894. -**

In sub-section (2) of Section 51 of the Principal Act the words “in the cases of offences for which whipping is awarded” and the commas before these words and thereafter shall be omitted.

**6. Amendment of Section 53 of Act IX of 1894. -**

Section 53 of the Principal Act shall be omitted.

