

THE INFLAMMABLE SUBSTANCES ACT, 1952
No. XX Of 1952

An Act to declare certain substances to be dangerously inflammable and to provide of the regulation of their import, transport, storage and production by applying thereto the Petroleum Act, 1934, and the rules thereunder and for certain matters connected with such regulation.

Be it enacted by Parliament as follows:-

1. **Short title.** – This may be called the Inflammable Substances Act, 1952.

2. **Definitions. – In this Act. –**

(a) “dangerously inflammable substance” means any liquid or other substance declared to be dangerously inflammable by this Act;

(b) “Petroleum Act” means the Petroleum Act, 1934 (XXX of 1934).

3. **Declaration of certain substances to be dangerously inflammable.** – The liquids and other substances hereinafter mentioned, namely:-

- (1) Acetone,
- (2) Calcium phosphide,
- (3) Carbide of calcium
- (4) Cinematograph films having a nitro-cellulose base,
- (5) Ethylalcohol,
- (6) Methyl alcohol,
- (7) Wood naphtha,

are hereby declared to be dangerously inflammable.

4. **Power to apply Petroleum Act to dangerously inflammable substances. –**

(1) The Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, apply any or all the provisions of the Petroleum Act and of the rules made thereunder, with such modifications as it may specify, to any dangerously inflammable substance, and thereupon the provisions so applied shall have effect as if such substance had been included in the definition of “petroleum” under that Act.

(2) The Central Government may make rules providing specially for the testing of any dangerously inflammable substance to which any of the provisions of the Petroleum Act have been applied by notification under sub section (1), and such rules may supplement any of the provisions of Chapter 11 of that Act in order to adapt them to the special needs of such tests.

5. **Operation of certain notification and rules.** – Notification or rules issued or purporting to have been issued under section 30 of the Petroleum Act between the 1st day of April, 1937, and the date of commencement of this Act shall be

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