

# THE HINDU DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY ACT (1916)

India Act XV, 1916  
28 September 1916

Whereas it is expedient to remove certain existing disabilities in respect of the power of disposition of property by Hindus for the benefit of persons not in existence at the date of such disposition;

It is hereby enacted as follows:

1. [...]

2. Subject to the limitations and provisions specified in this Act, no disposition of property by a Hindu, whether by transfer inter vivos or by will shall be invalid by reason only that any person for whose benefit it may have been made was not in existence at the date of such disposition.

3. The limitations and provisions referred to in section 2 shall be the following, namely:

(a) in respect of dispositions by transfer inter vivos, those contained in Chapter II of the Transfer of Property Act, and

(b) in respect of dispositions by will, those contained in sections 113, 114, 115 and 116 of the Succession Act.

4. [...]

5. Where the President of the Union is of opinion that the Khoja community in the Union of Burma or any part thereof desire that the provisions of this Act should be extended to such community, he may, by notification in the Gazette, declare that the provisions of this Act, with the substitution of the word “Khojas” or “Khoja”, as the case may be, for the word “Hindus” or “Hindu”, wherever those words occur, shall apply to that community in such area as may be specified in the notification, and this Act shall thereupon have effect accordingly.