

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.

No. 35 of 1938.

(Promulgated 19th August, 1938.)

PROCLAMATION

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

Entitled the Bechuanaland Protectorate Native Treasuries Proclamation, 1938.

Whereas it is expedient to make provision for the establishment and constitution of Native Treasuries in the Bechuanaland Protectorate:

Now therefore under and by virtue of the powers in me vested I do hereby declare, proclaim and make known as follows:—

Power to establish Native Treasuries. 1. The High Commissioner may, by notice in the *Gazette*, establish Native Treasuries in such districts as he may think fit.

Allocation of monies to Native Treasuries. 2. The High Commissioner may, by notice in the *Gazette*, allocate to any Native Treasury such proportion as he may think fit of the native tax imposed by the Bechuanaland Protectorate Native Tax Proclamation, 1932 (No. 1 of 1932), and collected in respect of the district served by such Native Treasury.

Power to make regulations. 3. The High Commissioner may, by notice in the *Gazette*, make, amend and repeal regulations for all or any of the following purposes—

- (a) governing the constitution, conduct and management of Native Treasuries;
- (b) governing the appointment, removal and tenure of office of the officers of Native Treasuries;
- (c) directing what revenue or moneys shall be paid into Native Treasuries;
- (d) directing the purposes to which the funds of Native Treasuries shall be devoted;
- (e) providing for the keeping and auditing of accounts;
- (f) providing for the preparation and submission of annual estimates, accounts and reports;

and generally for the better administration of Native Treasuries.

Offences against regulations. 4. (1) Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with the provisions of any regulation made under the last preceding section shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable, on conviction before the Chief's Tribunal of the district concerned, to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds or to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any period not exceeding six months, or to such lesser punishment as may be prescribed by such regulations.

(2) In this section "the Chief's Tribunal" means a Chief's Tribunal constituted under section *seven* of the Bechuanaland Protectorate Native Tribunals Proclamation, 1934 (No. 75 of 1934), as amended by Proclamation No. 78 of 1935; and notwithstanding anything contained in those Proclamations the Chief's Tribunal shall have and may exercise jurisdiction under this section over natives as defined in the first-mentioned Proclamation.

5. This Proclamation may be cited as the short title Bechuanaland Protectorate Native Treasuries and Proclamation, 1938, and shall have force and take effect from the first day of April, 1938.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Capetown this Thirteenth day of August One thousand Nine hundred and Thirty-eight.

WALTER C. HUGGARD,
High Commissioner.

By Command of His Excellency
the High Commissioner.

H. E. PRIESTMAN,
Administrative Secretary.