STATUTORY RULES.

No. 17 of 1923.

Regulations made under the Native Taxes Ordinance, 1917-1922.

Citation.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Native Taxes (Family Bonus) Regulations, 1923.

Repeal.

2. The Native Taxes (Family Bonus) Regulations, 1920, are repealed.

Bonus Payable.

- 3. Subject to these Regulations, there shall be payable annually out of the moneys authorized by the *Native Taxes* (Funds Establishment and Application) Regulations, 1923, to be expended out of the Native Benefits Fund by way of a bonus—
 - (a) Five shillings for a family consisting (at the time when the bonus is first claimed or allotted) of four living children under the age or apparent age of sixteen years; and
 - (b) One shilling for each living child over the number of four who is under the age or apparent age of sixteen years

of each native woman who is the wife or widow (whether by marriage or native custom) of a native husband who is the father of such children.

To Whom Payable.

4. The bonus, when payable, shall be paid to the mother, or, in the event of her death, to the father of the children.

How Payable.

5. The bonus may be paid in cash or in trade, as the Director of Native Taxation may decide, either generally or in particular cases.

Reduction and Cessation of Bonus.

6. The bonus shall cease to be payable in the proportion of One shilling for each child who attains the age or apparent age of sixteen years, or dies before attaining that age, and shall wholly cease when the youngest child or youngest surviving child attains that age, or apparent age, or dies.

Offences.

- 7. Any person who-
 - (a) obtains any bonus which is not payable; or
 - (b) obtains payment of a bonus by means of any false or misleading statement;or
 - (c) makes or presents to any officer doing duty in relation to these Regulations any statement or document which is false in any particular,

shall be guilty of an offence under these Regulations and shall be liable on conviction thereof in a summary way to a penalty not exceeding Ten pounds, and in default of payment thereof to imprisonment for any period not exceeding six months.

Made in Executive Council this nineteenth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.

Executive Council Minute, No. 20 of 35/1923. H. L. MURRAY, Clerk of Executive Council.

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