

5. Every person who is for the time being registered under any Act for the registration of medical practitioners in force in any part of India or Pakistan.

THE BURMA MEDICAL DEGREES ACT.

[INDIA ACT VII, 1916.] (16th March, 1916.)

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2. In this Act, "Western medical science" means the Western methods of Allopathic medicine, Obstetrics and Surgery, but does not include the Homœopathic or Ayurvedic or Unani system of medicine. Definition.

3. The right of conferring, granting, or issuing in the Union of Burma degrees, diplomas, licences, certificates or other documents stating or implying that the holder, grantee or recipient thereof is qualified to practise Western medical science, shall be exercisable only by the University of Rangoon, and by such other authority as the President of the Union may, by notification in the Gazette, and subject to such conditions and restrictions as he thinks fit to impose, authorize in this behalf. Right to confer degrees, etc.

4. Save as provided by section 3, no person in the Union of Burma shall confer, grant, or issue, or hold himself out as entitled to confer, grant, or issue any degree, diploma, licence, certificate or other document stating or implying that the holder, grantee or recipient is qualified to practise Western medical science. Prohibition of un-authorized conferment of degrees, etc.

5. Whoever contravenes the provisions of section 4 shall be punishable with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees; and, if the person so contravening is an association, every member of such association, who knowingly and wilfully authorizes or permits the contravention, shall be punishable with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees. Contravention of section 4.

6. Whoever voluntarily and falsely assumes or uses any title or description or any addition to his name implying (a) that he is qualified to practise Western medical science, or (b) that he holds a degree, diploma, licence or certificate conferred, granted or issued by any authority referred to in section 3, or recognized by the General Council of Medical Education of the United Kingdom, or authorized by the law in force in India or Pakistan to confer, grant or issue in India or Pakistan degrees, diplomas, licences, certificates or other documents stating or implying that the holder, grantee or recipient thereof is qualified to practise Western medical science, shall be punishable with fine which may extend to two hundred and fifty rupees, or, if he subsequently commits, and is convicted of, an offence punishable under this section, with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees: Penalty for falsely assuming or using medical titles.

Provided that nothing in this section shall apply to the use by any person of any title, description, or addition which, prior to the 16th March, 1916,² he used in virtue of any degree, diploma, licence or certificate conferred upon, or granted or issued to him.

¹ Re-numbered by Act LXII, 1953.

² Date of commencement of this Act.

Cognizance
of offences.

7. No Court shall take cognizance of an offence punishable under this Act except upon complaint made by order of the President of the Union, or upon complaint made, with the previous sanction of the President of the Union, by the Burma Medical Council.

Jurisdiction
of Magis-
trates.

8. No Court inferior to that of a Magistrate of the first class shall try any offence punishable under this Act.
