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Whereas it is expedient to enact a Law validating the remarriage of Hindu Widow s; It is hereby enacted as follows:

1. Short title, commencement and extent :-

This Act may be called the Andhra Pradesh (Telangana Area) Hindus Widows Marriage Act, 1347 Fand it shall come into force in the whole of the Telangana area of the State of Andhra Pradesh from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Re-marriage of Hindu widow and her issues rights of inheritance :-

Notwithstanding an interpretation of the Hindu Law or the existence of any custom to the contrary, every Hindu widow may re marry any Hindu whom she could have married in accordance with the provisions of the Hindu Law if that were her first marriageSuch re marriage shall not be deemed invalid and the issues born of her shall have the same rights of inheritance as could be enjoyed by the Punar Bhava Putra under the Hindu Law.

3. Performance of ceremonies, etc., for re marriage of

widow :-

The words used, ceremonies performed or stipulations made which are considered sufficient to constitute a valid marriage of an unmarried Hindu woman shall also be considered sufficient to constitute a marriage of a Hindu widow; and no such marriage shall be declared invalid on the ground that such words, ceremonies or stipulations do not apply to a widow But in a sect where such marriage is, according to custom, deemed to be consummated in any other manner the provisions of this section shall have no effect on such custom.

4. Widow under sixteen years of age not to remarry :-

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, no widow under sixteen years of age shall re marry, nor shall her guardian, if any, cause her to marry Explanation For purposes of this section a widow who has completed the sixteenth year of her age shall be deemed to be a major.

5. Extinction of rights of widow in property of deceased husband :-

The re marriage of a widow shall have the effect of extinguishing all the rights enjoyed by her in the property of the deceased husband as a widow under the provisions of the Hindu Law and the other legal heirs shall inherit the property of her deceased husband as if she were dead; but this shall have no effect where according to the custom of a sect the rights of a widow are not extinguished on re marriage.

6. Saving of rights of widow in other property :-

Except as is specified in Section 5, no widow shall on account of re marriage be deprived of any such property or lose any of her rights as may otherwise be vested in her; and every widow who re marries shall have the same rights as regards inheritance in the property of her second husband as she would have had, if that were her first marriage.