

MULLA'S INDIAN REGISTRATION ACT, 6th Ed. By J. R. Jhurandhar.
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This is the latest edition of Sir Mulla's well-known commentary on the Indian Registration Act (Act XVI of 1908) by Mr. Jhurandhar, President of the Maharashtra Revenue Tribunal in Bombay.

Lawyers, judges and revenue officers in India and Burma will certainly give this book a warm welcome particularly because it has been nearly thirteen years since the publication of the last edition in 1950. During that period many amendments have been made in the Act by various State legislatures and numerous cases have been decided by the Supreme Court of India and the High Courts both in India and Burma. Most of these decisions affect the different clauses of section 17 which deal with documents that are compulsorily registerable and section 49 which is concerned with the effect of registration and non-registration. These decisions have been noted at appropriate places in the present edition.

The general scheme of the book remains substantially the same as in the previous editions, but the addition of a list of the latest amendments in the Appendix and inclusion of provisions relating to registration in other Acts have considerably increased the utility of the book. There are also at the beginning of the book a comprehensive index of cases and a comparative table of sections of the present Act and of the four previously repealed Acts.

Although the book is primarily concerned with Indian law, lawyers and judges in Singapore and the States of the Federation will also find it useful since the Indian decisions can throw considerable light on the interpretation of some of the provisions of the local Registration of Deeds Ordinances.