

(2) A member of a Village Council may, at any meeting, move any resolution and put questions to the First Captain or the Second Captain on matters connected with the administration of the Village Council in such manner as may be prescribed.

(3) No resolution of a Village Council shall be modified, amended, varied or cancelled by the Village Council within a period of three months from the date of passing thereof except by a resolution supported by two-thirds of the total number of members of the Village Council.

25. (1) Subject to such control and restrictions as may be prescribed, a Village Council may appoint Committees for exercising such of its powers and discharging such of its duties and functions as it may determine.

Committees.

(2) A committee shall consist of not more than five members and may be dissolved or reconstituted for such reasons and in such manner as may be prescribed.

26. No act or proceeding of a Village Council shall be deemed to be invalid by reason only of the existence of any vacancy or defect in the constitution of the Village Council or of any infirmity in its proceedings.

Proceedings not to be invalidated because of existence of vacancy

CHAPTER IV

POWERS, DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE VILLAGE COUNCILS

27. (1) Subject to the availability of Village Council Fund constituted under section 33, it shall be the duty of every Village Council to make reasonable provisions within its jurisdiction, with respect to the matters specified in the Second Schedule.

Duties and functions of the Village Council.

(2) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (1), the Village Council may also make provision for carrying out, within the area of the village, any other work or measure which is likely to promote the health, safety, education, comfort, convenience or social and economic well being of the residents of the village.

28. (1) The Village Council may, in respect of all roads, streets, bridges, culverts and other properties placed under its direction, management and control by the Administrator under sub-section (1) of section 35, do all things necessary for the maintenance and repair thereof, and in particular, may—

Control of Village Council on certain properties.

(a) widen, open, enlarge or otherwise improve any such road, bridge or culvert and plant and preserve trees on the sides of such roads;

(b) deepen or otherwise improve any water course and other property mentioned in clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 35; and

(c) cut any hedge or branch of any tree projecting on any such public road or street.

(2) The Village Council shall also have control of all roads, streets, waterways, bridges and culverts which are situated within its jurisdiction, not being a private property or the property, for the time being, under the control of the Government and may do all things necessary for the improvement, maintenance and repair thereof and in particular, may—

(a) lay out and make new roads; and

(b) construct new bridges and culverts.

29. The Administrator may entrust to the Village Council the execution, maintenance or repair of any work or the management of any institution on behalf of the Government or any local authority:

Transfer of work or institution to Village Council.

Provided that the necessary funds for such purpose shall be placed at the disposal of the Village Council by the Government or such local authority.

30. (1) Subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, the Administrator may, with the consent of a Village Council, by notification in the Official Gazette, entrust to the Village Council the functions and duties of collecting the land revenue and other dues recoverable as arrears of land revenue.

Collection of land revenue.