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7. The amendments referred to in para 5 and 6 above were supported by the Explanation II of the Article 25 of the Constitution of India, which reads as under: -

"In sub-clause (b), the reference to Hindus shall be construed as including a reference to persons professing the Sikh, Jaina or Buddhist religion, and the reference to Hindu religious institutions shall be construed accordingly."