

CHAPTER 34. No. 2.

GENERAL LOCAL LOAN.

- AN ORDINANCE TO DECLARE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO LOCAL LOANS AUTHORISED TO BE RAISED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Ordinances
No. 29—1932.
,, 30—1938,
s. 2.
- [7th December, 1932.] Commencement.
1. This Ordinance may be cited as the General Local Loan Ordinance. Short title.
 2. This Ordinance shall be applicable only to loans raised locally in the Colony. Scope.
 3. Whenever by an Ordinance authority shall have been given to the Governor to raise any sum of money for the purposes mentioned in such Ordinance, the Governor may from time to time, as he may deem expedient, raise such sum by debentures issued under the provisions of this Ordinance. Loans to be raised by debentures.
 4. The principal moneys and interest represented by such debentures are hereby charged upon and shall be payable out of the general revenues and assets of the Colony. Loans to be a charge upon general revenue.
 5. Such debentures shall be issued in the Colony upon the best and most favourable terms that can be obtained and shall be signed by the persons holding the offices of Colonial Secretary and Treasurer for the time being, or by any other person or persons thereto specially authorised by the Governor. Borrowing upon debentures.
 6. Each debenture may be for a sum of twenty pounds, one hundred pounds, five hundred pounds, or one thousand Amount of each debenture.

pounds, or the equivalent amount of dollars in Trinidad currency. (a)

Debentures
may be either
fixed-date or
drawing
debentures.

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7. The debentures shall be redeemable either—

(a) at par on a fixed date to be declared on the issue of the debentures, such date not being later than sixty years from the date of issue: Provided that the Governor may reserve the option to redeem the debentures prior to such date on such conditions as may be declared at the time of issue (such debentures being hereinafter referred to as fixed-date debentures); or

(b) by annual drawings at par or at the option of the Governor by purchase in the market as hereinafter provided (such debentures being hereinafter referred to as drawing debentures).

Interest
coupons.

8. There shall be attached to every debenture coupons for the payment of interest to become due in each half-year upon the principal represented by the debenture. The coupons shall be sufficient in number to provide for the payment of the interest, either during the whole period for which the debenture has to run, or for such limited periods as the Governor may determine from time to time, not exceeding in their totality the whole period for which the debenture has to run.

Form of
debenture
and coupons.

9. The debentures and the coupons shall be in such form as the Governor may direct or approve.

Debentures
and coupons
transferable
by delivery.

10. Every debenture and coupon, and the right to receive the principal and interest represented thereby, shall be transferable by delivery.

Register of
debentures.

11. Every debenture shall, before being issued, be registered in a register book to be kept for that purpose at the office of the Treasurer.

Payment of
interest.

12. The interest upon the principal represented by each debenture shall run from the day named in that behalf in the

debenture, and shall be paid half-yearly on the days named in that behalf in the debenture at the office of the Treasurer.

13. (1) So long as any of the debentures remain outstanding the Governor shall, in each half-year ending with the day on which the interest on the debentures falls due, appropriate out of the general revenues and assets of the Colony a sum equal to one half-year's interest on the whole of the debentures issued, including any which may have been redeemed.

Mode of providing for payment of interest on and for redemption of debentures.

(2) The Governor shall also in each such half-year, commencing with that specified in the Ordinance authorising the loan, appropriate out of the said revenues and assets of the Colony, for the formation of a sinking fund, an additional sum equal to one-half of the annual contribution to be decided upon by the Governor on the issue of the loan. Such contribution shall be in respect of the total nominal amount of all the debentures issued, including any which may have been redeemed.

(3) Debentures shall not be deemed to be outstanding for the purposes of this Ordinance by reason only that one or more of the debentures have not been presented for payment on the day appointed for payment and have, in consequence, not been paid.

14. In the case of fixed-date debentures, so much of the moneys appropriated as aforesaid as shall not be required for the immediate payment of interest shall be remitted to the Crown Agents for the formation of a sinking fund, and the Crown Agents shall invest the money so remitted to them in the purchase of such securities as may be approved by the Secretary of State as a sinking fund for the final extinction of the debt, and shall also invest the dividends, interest or produce of such investments in the purchase of like securities, and may from time to time, with the approval of the Secretary of State, change any such investments, and shall hold such fund in trust for the repayment of the principal moneys for the time being represented by the debentures: Provided that if at any time the trustees of the sinking fund are satisfied that the value of the fund will be sufficient with further accumulations of interest but without further payments of contributions to enable the debentures to be redeemed out of the proceeds of the sinking fund when the same shall fall due to be redeemed, the Governor

Creation of sinking fund for redemption of debentures payable on a fixed date.

Cesser of sinking fund contributions.