



TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

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I ASSENT,

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A. B. WRIGHT,
Acting Governor.
30th August, 1944.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Slum Clearance and
Housing (Temporary Provisions) Ordinance, 1944,
No. 21 of 1944.

[31st August, 1944.]

Commencement.

ENACTED by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago
with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council
thereof.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Slum Clearance and Housing (Temporary Provisions) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1944, and shall be read as one with the Slum Clearance and Housing (Temporary Provisions) Ordinance, 1944.

Short title.

Ordinance
No. 21 of 1944.

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Section 7 of
Ordinance
21 of 1944
amended.

2. Section 7 of the Slum Clearance and Housing (Temporary Provisions) Ordinance, 1944, is hereby amended—

(a) by substituting the following for paragraph (e) of subsection (1) thereof:—

“(e) to decide from time to time that any of the lands or buildings in a special slum clearance area be acquired by the Commission, and whenever a resolution to that effect, describing the lands or buildings to be acquired, has been passed by the Committee—

- (i) the acquisition by the Commission of any such lands or buildings is hereby authorised and may be effected by private treaty or compulsory acquisition under the Land Acquisition Ordinance, 1941, and, notwithstanding any law to the contrary, such acquisition shall not be subject to the approval of the Governor in Council;
- (ii) the publication of such resolution in the *Royal Gazette* shall be equivalent for all purposes to the notification for which provision is made in section 5 of the Land Acquisition Ordinance and as from the date of such publication, the lands or buildings concerned shall vest absolutely in the Commission;
- (iii) subject to the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, Part VI of the Principal Ordinance (excepting, however, the provisions of section 27 thereof as repealed and replaced by section 8 of the Slum Clearance and Housing (Amendment) Ordinance, 1941, and of subsection (5)

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of section 28) shall apply, and the Committee shall have the right to exercise such consequential powers as are vested in the Commission by sections 36 and 37 of the Principal Ordinance ;”

(b) by substituting the following for subsection (2) thereof :—

“(2) The powers conferred by paragraphs (c) and (d) of the preceding subsection shall not be exercised by the Committee unless the provisions of paragraph (a) of the said subsection have been complied with.

3. The Slum Clearance and Housing (Temporary Provisions) Ordinance, 1944, is hereby amended by inserting the following section immediately after section 7 :—

New section
7A of Ordinance No. 21
1944.

“Restrictions
on building in
area declared
to be special
slum clearance
area.—

7A (1) Whenever the Committee shall have declared any area to be a special slum clearance area —

- (a) no new building shall be constructed therein ;
- (b) no alterations or repairs shall be effected to any existing building therein ; and
- (c) no building under construction therein at the time of such declaration shall be completed,

without the consent of the Committee and except in accordance with such directions as may be given by the Committee.

(2) In the event of any contravention of any of the provisions of the preceding subsection it shall be lawful for the Committee to cause to be served upon the owner of any building which is the subject of such contravention a notice requiring him, within such reasonable time as may be specified in such notice, to demolish the building or to alter it by the execution of the works specified in the notice

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and in default of compliance with such notice the Committee may carry out the requirement of such notice and the cost of such demolition or alteration shall be a first charge on the premises. The Commission may recover such cost as a simple contract debt from the owner and may, in its discretion, accept payment by instalments: Provided that where there is more than one owner—

- (i) the cost of such demolition or alteration may be apportioned among them in such shares as the Committee may consider to be just, and such cost may be recovered from them in such shares; and
- (ii) any person who pays to the Committee the full amount or more than his just share of such cost shall be entitled to recover from any co-owner such contribution as the Committee may determine to be due to him from such co-owner."

Passed in Council this twenty-fifth day of August, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

W. J. BOOS,
Clerk of the Council.