

# **THE SPECIAL MARRIAGE ACT, 1954**

(Extension to Nagaland)

Act, 2002

(Act No. 8 of 2002)

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## **Preamble :**

To provide for the extension of the Special Marriage Act, 1954 (Act No:43 of 1954) to the State of Nagaland.

Whereas by virtue of the sixth Schedule to the constitution, the Special Marriage Act, 1954 was not applicable to the erstwhile Naga Hills District.

And Whereas by enforcement of the Tuensang and Mon District (Assimilation of Laws) Act, 1974 the Special Marriage Act, 1954 had ceased to be applied to the districts of Tuensang and Mon;

And whereas it is desirable to have the provisions of Special Marriage Act, 1954 applicable in Nagaland;

It is hereby enacted in the fifty second year of the Republic of India as follows:-

## **1. Short Title, Extent and commencement :**

(1) This Act may be called the Special Marriage Act, 1954 (Extension to Nagaland) Act, 2001.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as may be notified by the state government.

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### **2. Extention of the special marriage Act of 1954 to Nagaland**

The special Marriage Act, 1954 (as amended up-to-date) shall be, from the commencement of this Act, extended and shall be in force in the State of Nagaland:

Provided that where the marriage is solemnized under the Act of any person belonging to a Scheduled Tribe in the State of Nagaland Section 21 shall not apply.