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/iii)	<u>Reciprocal Arrangements for assistance in certain cases</u> (Secs. 55 to 61)
	<u>Meaning of contracting state</u> : Any country outside India in respect of which arrangements
	have been made by the C.G. with the Government of such
	country through a treaty or otherwise.
	(a) <u>Agreements with foreign countries</u> - Sec. 56
	C.G. may enter into an agreement with the Govt. of any country outside India for:
	(a) enforcing the provisions of this Act;
	(b) exchange of information for
	\Rightarrow the prevention of any offence under this Act or under the corresponding law
	in force in that country or
	\Rightarrow investigation of cases relating to any offence under this Act,
	and may, by notification, make necessary provisions for implementing the agreement.
	(b) Letter of request to a Contracting State in certain cases - Sec. 57
	If, in the course of an investigation into an offence or other proceedings under this
	Act, an application is made to Special Court by Investigating Officer that any evidence
	is required in connection with investigation and is of the opinion that such evidence may
	be available in a contracting State, and the Special Court, on being satisfied that such
	evidence is required in connection with the investigation into an offence or proceedings
	under this Act, may issue a letter of request to a court or an authority in contracting
	State competent to deal with such request to:
	(i) examine facts and circumstances of the case,
	(ii) take such steps as the Special Court may specify in such letter of request, and
	(iii) forward all the evidence so taken or collected to the Special Court.



(c)	Assistance to a contracting State in certain cases - Sec. 58
	Where a letter of request is received by C.G. from a court/authority in a contracting
	State requesting for investigation into an offence or proceedings under this Act and
	forwarding to such court or authority any evidence connected therewith, the C.G. may
	forward such letter of request to the Special Court or to any authority under the Act
	as it thinks fit for execution of such request in accordance with the provisions of this
	Act or, as the case may be, any other law for the time being in force.
(d)	<u>Special Court to release the property</u> - Sec. 58A
(e)	Letter of request of a contracting State or authority
	<u>for confiscation or release the property</u> - Sec. 58B Self Study from Book
(f)	Reciprocal arrangements for processes and assistance
	for transfer of accused persons - Sec. 59
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(g)	Attachment, seizure, confiscation, etc., of property in a contracting State or India
	- Sec. 60
	\Rightarrow Where the Director has made an order for attachment of any property u/s 5 or
	where AA has made an order relating to a property u/s 8 or where a Special
	Court has made an order of confiscation relating to a property u/s 8(5), and such
	property is suspected to be in a contracting State,
	Special Court, on an application by the Director or the Administrator appointed u/
	10(1), as the case may be, may issue a letter of request to a court or an
	authority in the contracting State for execution of such order.
	\Rightarrow When any property in India is confiscated as a result of execution of a request
	from a contracting State in accordance with the provisions of this Act, the C.G.
	may either return such property to the requesting State or compensate that State
	by disposal of such property on mutually agreed terms.
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(ix)	Miscellaneous (Secs. 62 to 75)
	(a) <u>Punishment for vexatious search</u> (Sec. 62)
	Any authority or officer exercising powers under this Act, who, without reasons
	recorded in writing:
	(a) searches or causes to be searched any building or place; or
	(b) detains or searches or arrests any person,
	shall for every such offence be liable on conviction for
	\Rightarrow imprisonment for a term which may extend to 2 years or
	⇒ fine which may extend to ₹ 50,000 or
	\Rightarrow both.
	(b) <u>Punishment for false information or failure to give information, etc.</u> (Sec. 63):
	(1) Any person who, wilfully and maliciously give false information shall on conviction be
	liable for imprisonment for a term which may extend to 2 or with fine which may
	extend to ₹ 50,000 or both.
	(2) If any person:
	(a) being legally bound to state truth of any matter relating to an offence u/s 3,
	refuses to answer any question put to him; or
	(b) refuses to sign any statement made by him in the course of any proceedings
	under this Act, which an authority may legally require to sign; or
	(c) to whom a summon is issued either to attend or to give evidence or produce
	books of account or other documents at a certain place and time, omits to
	attend or produce books of account or documents at the place or time,
	he shall pay, by way of penalty, a sum which shall not be less than ₹ 500 but
	which may extend to $₹$ 10,000 for each such default or failure.
	(c) <u>Recovery of fine or penalty</u> (Sec. 69)
	Where any fine or penalty imposed on any person u/ss 13 or 63 is not paid within 6
	months from the day of imposition of fine or penalty, the Director or any other officer
	authorised by him may proceed to recover the amount from the said person in the same
	manner as prescribed in Schedule II of the I-tax Act, 1961 for the recovery of
	arrears and he or any officer authorised by him in this behalf shall have all the powers
	of the Tax Recovery Officer mentioned in the said Schedule for the said purpose.



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(c	d) <u>Continuation of proceedings in the event of death or insolvency</u> (Sec. 72)
	Where: (a) any property of a person has been attached u/s 8 and no appeal
	against the order attaching such property has been preferred; or
	(b) any appeal has been preferred to the Appellate Tribunal,
	and -
	(i) in (a), such person dies or is adjudicated an insolvent before preferring an appeal
	to the Appellate Tribunal; or
	(ii) in (b), such person dies or is adjudicated an insolvent during the pendency of the
	appeal,
	then, it shall be lawful for the legal representatives of such person or the official
	assignee or the official receiver, as the case may be, to prefer an appeal to the
	Appellate Tribunal or as the case may be, to continue the appeal before the Appellate
	Tribunal, in place of such person and the provisions of section 26 shall, so far as may
	be, apply, or continue to apply, to such appeal.
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(e	2) <u>Other Provisions</u> : Self Study from Book
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