

The Ministry of Law and Justice notified, 9-10-2023, as the date on which certain provision of the Mediation Act, 2023 came into force.

Provisions that came into force on 09-10-2023:

1. **Section 1** which lays down the "Short Title, extent and commencement of the Act".
2. **Section 3** enumerates various "Definitions".
3. **Section 26** relates to "Proceedings of Lok Adalat and Permanent Lok Adalat not to be affected".
4. **Section 31 to 38:** Chapter 8 relating to "**Mediation Council of India**" consisting of 9 sections out of which 8 has been enforced:
 - Section 31 relates to "Establishment and incorporation of Mediation Council";
 - Section 32 relates to "Composition of Council";
 - Section 33 relates to "Vacancies, etc., not to invalidate proceedings of Council";
 - Section 34 relates to "Registration";
 - Section 35 relates to "Removal";
 - Section 36 relates to "Appointment of experts and constitution of Committees";
 - Section 37 relates to "Secretariat and Chief Executive Officer of Council";
 - Section 38 relates to "Duties and functions of Council".
5. **Sections 45 to 47:**
 - Section 45 relates to "Mediation Fund";
 - Section 46 relates to "Accounts and Audit";
 - Section 47 relates to "Power of Central Government to issue directions".
6. **Sections 50 to 54**
 - Section 50 relates to "Protection of action taken in good faith";
 - Section 51 relates to "Power to make Rules";
 - Section 52 relates to "Power to make Regulations";
 - Section 53 relates to "Laying";
 - Section 54 relates to "Power to remove difficulties".
7. **Sections 56 to 57**
 - Section 56 relates to "Act not to apply to pending proceedings";
 - Section 57 relates to "Transitory provision".