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The Uttarakhand Medicare Service Persons and Institutions (Prevention of Violence and Damage to Property) Act, 2013

[Uttarakhand Act No. 21 of 2013]

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to prohibit violence against Medicare Service Persons and damage to Property in Medicare Service Institutions.

Enacted by the Uttarakhand State Legislative Assembly in the Sixty-fourth Year of the Republic of India, as follows :-

Short title, Extent and Commencement	1.	(1)	This Act may be called the Uttarakhand Medicare Service Persons and Institutions (Prevention of Violence and Damage to Property) Act, 2013.
		(2)	It extends to the whole of the State of Uttarakhand.
		(3)	It shall come into force at once.
Definitions	2.		In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires :-
		(a)	'Medicare Service Institutions' means all institutions
			providing medicare to people or through mobile medical unit
			or by arranging medical camps, which are under the control of
			State or Central Government or Local Bodies etc. including
			any private hospital having facilities for treatment of the sick
			and used for their reception or stay, any private maternity
			home where women are usually received and accommodated
			for the purpose of confinement and ante-natal and post-natal
			care in connection with child birth or anything connected
			therewith, and any private nursing home used or intended to
			be used for the reception and accommodation of persons
			suffering any sickness, injury or infirmity whether of body or
			mind, and providing of treatment or nursing or both of them
			and includes a maternity home or convalescent home, etc. and
			an ambulance;
		(b)	'Medicare Service Persons' in relation to a Medicare Service Institutions, shall include :-
			(i) Registered Medical Practitioner, working in Medicare Institutions (including those having provisional registration);

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			(ii) Registered Nurses;
			(iii) Auxiliary Nurse Mid-wife and General Nursing
			Midwife;
			(iv) Trained Dai;
			(v) Medical Students;
			(vi) Nursing Students; and
			(vii) Para medical and other auxiliary workers employed and working in Medicare Service Institutions;
		(c)	'Offender' means any person, who either by himself or as a
			member or as a leader of a group of persons or organization
			commits or attempts to commit or abets or incites the
			commission of violence under this Act;
		(d)	'Property' shall include both moveable and immoveable
			property;
		(e)	'Violence' means activities of causing any harm, injury or
			endangering the life or intimidation, obstruction or hindrance
			to any medicare service person in discharge of duty in the
			Medicare Service Institution or patient or damage to property
			in the Medicare Service Institution.
Prohibition of violence	3.		Any Act of violence against, Medicare Service Persons or damage to property in the Medicare Service Institutions is hereby prohibited.
Penalty	4.	(1)	Whoever commit or attempts to commit any violence under
			section 3, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term
			which may extend to three years or with fine which may
			extend to fifty thousand rupees or with both.
		(2)	Any person in addition to the punishment specified in sub-
		(2)	section (1), shall be also liable to a penalty of double of the
			amount of purchase price of medical equipments damaged and
			loss caused to the property.
		(3)	Whoever, having been convicted of an offence under any
			provision of this Act is again convicted of an offence under
			the same provision, shall be punish, for the second and for
			each subsequent offence, with double the penalty provided for

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			that offence.
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		(4)	If the complaint is frivolous or has been made with malafide
			intention, the competent court after trial may proceed against
			the complainant under the relevant provisions of the Indian
			Penal Code, 1860.
		(5)	If such persons does not pay the penal amount under sub-
			section (2), the said sum shall be recoverable as arrears of land
			revenue.
Cognizance of offence	5.		Any offence committed under section 3, shall be cognizable and non-bailable and shall be triable by the Court of Judicial Magistrate of the First Class.
Act not in derogation of any other law	6.		The provisions of this Act shall be in addition to and not in derogation of the provisions of any other law, for the time being in force.
Savings	7.		Notwithstanding the lapse of the Uttarakhand Medicare Service Persons and Institutions (Prevention of Violence and Damage to Property) Ordinance, 2011 anything done or any action taken under the said Ordinance shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of this Act.