1. These rules may be called the Indian Coinage Rules.

2. In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context-
the “Act” means the Indian Coinage Act, 1906,
“the Reserve Bank” means the Reserve Bank of India constituted under the Reserve Bank of
India Act (ii of 1934).

3. A loss of 6 ½ per cent below standard weight in the case of the rupee and of 12 ½ per cent in
the case of the half rupee and quarter-rupee shall be the limit of reasonable wear ; and a loss of
25 per cent below standard weight shall be the future percentage referred to in section 17 of the
Act, in the case of all silver coins.

4. Where a rupee or half-rupee, which has been diminished in weight so as to more than 2 per
cent, but not than 6 ¼ per cent res., below standard weight , and which has not been fraudulently
defaced , is tendered to any person authorised to act under section 16 of the Act, such person
accept the coin at its nominal value , and the coin shall there upon be withdrawn from circulation
at the cost of the Central Government.

5. Where a rupee or half-rupee diminished in weight so as to more than 6 ¼ per cent or 12 ½ per
cent. Respectively, but not more than 25 per cent below standard weight ,and which has not been fraudulently defaced, is tendered to any person authorised to act under section 16 of the Act, such person shall , if the tender so requests, instead of returning the cut coin accept it at the
following rates, namely:-

rupees weighing between 15/16th and 7/8th of their proper weight, at the rate of 14 annas:
rupees weighing between 7/8th and 13/16ths of their proper weight, at the rate of 13 annas:
rupees weighing between 13/16ths and 3/4ths of their proper weight, at the rate of 12 annas: and
half rupees at the rate of 6 annas.

6. Where the quarter-rupee which has been diminished in weight so as to be more than 12 ½ per
cent but not more than 25 per cent below standard weight and which has not been fraudulently
defaced, is tendered to any person authorised to act under section 16 of the Act, such person
shall if the tender so requests instead of returning the cut coin accept it at its nominal value, and
it shall thereupon be withdrawn from circulation at the cost of the Central Government.

7. Silver coin received by Government officers under these rules as withdrawn from circulation
shall, whether or not it has been cut or broken under these rules, be sent by first convenient
opportunity to the Mint at Alipor (Calcutta) or Bombey or to any principal treasury appointed by
the Reserve Bank to receive such coin for remittance to the Mint. Such coin will be credited in the
officer’s cash balance as ‘uncomment coin’ at the actual value at which it has been received and
on transfer to the Mint will be credited at the rates prescribed in these rules, any loss incurred being taken as a charge of the Mint.

8. Silver coin received by a person other than a Government officer under these rules and withdrawn from circulation shall, whether or not it has been cut or broken these rules, be sent to nearest treasury, where it will be paid for at the rates respectively prescribed in these rules, and thereafter it will be dealt with in manner prescribed in rule 7 above.

9. In cutting or breaking any diminished, defaced or counterfeit coin, Government officers and other persons authorised in this behalf shall not, unless specially empowered by the Central Government so to do, completely divide the coin.

10. Persons authorised under section 20 of the act to cut or break counterfeit silver coins should not received and pay for the coin according to the value of the silver bullion contained therein as permitted under that section, save where from the excellence of the execution or for any other cause it seems desirable that the coin should be acquired as a specimen. The cost of paying for the coin will be changed to the Government. The broken pieces of coins so paid for should be forwarded to the Mint at Alipor (Calcutta) or Bombay.

11. In determining the loss of weight in the case of silver coins, to which solder or metal has been attached the weight of such solder or other metal shall not be taken into account.

Note—In exercise of the powers conferred by rule 9 above the Central Government have authorised the Mint Masters, Alipore (Calcutta) and Bombay, to cut or break and diminished, defected or counterfeit coin compliantly so as to divide the coin.