

Sa'adat Hasan Manto: *Nayā Qānūn ('The New Law')*

mangū	m. Mangū (name)
kocvān	m. coach-driver
addā	m. (coach/bus) station
aqlmand	intelligent
go	although
ta'līm	education
haisiyat	f. status, level
sifr	m. zero
ke barābar	equal
tamām	all
xwāhiš	f. wish
ke andar	in, inside
ustād	m. 'teacher, professor'
vasī'	extensive
ma'lūmāt	f.p. knowledge
se vāqif honā	to be acquainted with
savārī	m. passenger, client
ispēn	Spain
char jānā/charnā	to erupt (of war etc.)
afvāh	f. rumour
gāmā caudhrī	Gama Chaudri (name)
caurā	wide
kāndhā	m. shoulder
thapkī	f. thump, slap
mudabbirāna	knowledgeable, wise
andāz	m. way, method
peš-goī	f. prediction
matānat	f. self importance
vilāyat	f. 'England'
(ko) patā cal jānā/calnā	to get to know
halqa banānā	to form a circle
huqqā	m. hookah
dil hī dil meñ	'in his heart of hearts'
barāī	f. greatness, pride
i'tirāf karnā	to confess
māl roḍ	Mall Road (Lahore)
camkīlā	shiny, bright
satah	f. level, side
tāṅga	m. tonga
tāza	fresh
fasād	m. skirmish, trouble
tabādala-e xayāl	m. exchange of opinions
cahra	m. face
gair-mā'mūlī tāur par	unusually
tamtamānā	to get red (of the face)
xākī	khaki
pagrī	f. turban

bağal	f. arm(pit)
dābnā	to squash
mufikkarānā	caring, anxious
lahja	m. accent, tone of voice
pīr	m. religious leader
bad-du'ā	f. curse
natīja	m. result
āe din	day after day
cāqu	m. knife
churī	f. cleaver, large knife
barā (bare)	m.(p.) elder(s)
akbar bādsāh	Akbar the Emperor
darvesh	m. a Muslim mystic, dervish
jalnā	(here) to become angry
fasād	m. disruption
rāj	m. rule
ṭhāndī sāns bharnā	to heave a sigh
huqqa kā dam lagānā	to puff at a hookah
kāṅgresī	m. 'a member of the Congress'
āzād karānā	to free, make independent
sar paṭaknā	to knock their heads together
iṭālī	f. Italy
rūs	m. Russia
kī bābat meñ	about, concerning
tagrā	strong
sadā	always
gulām	m. slave
nafrat	f. hatred
sabab	m. cause, reason
batlānā	to tell, relate
sikka	m. coin
sikka calānā	to rule
zulm	m. tyranny, oppression
zulm dhānā	to tyrannize, oppress
tanaffur	m. hatred
chāunī	f. cantonement
gorā (gore)	m.(p.) white people (i.e. English)
satānā	to vex, tease
sulūk	m. behaviour
goyā	as if
zalil	miserable, despicable
kuttā	m. dog
surx	red
saped/suped	white
matlī	f. vomit, sickness
jhurrī	f. wrinkle (on the face)
lāš	f. corpse
jhilli	f. skin, membrane
galnā	to melt, decay

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jharnā	to fall off
śarābī	drunk
jhagrā	m. fight, conflict
mukaddar	upset
hal-mārka	'hal marka' a brand of cigarettes
kaś lagānā	to puff at (a hookah)
jī bharkar sunānā	to vent one's anger/spleen
moṭā	fat
moṭī gālī	f. obscenity abuse
ḍhilā	loose
pagrī	f. turban
jhaṭkā denā	to jerk, pull back
mālik	m. master
nāk	f. nose
nāk meñ dam karnā/kar rakhnā	to get on someone's nerves
bandar	m. monkey
aulād	f. children, offspring
ru'b gāñṭhnā	to put on airs, lord it over, bully
bāvā	m. father, ancestor
gussa	m. anger
gussa ḥandā honā	of anger to abate, to calm down
sāthī	m. companion
ugalnā	to spew out
śakal	f. looks, face
korh	m. leprosy
murdār	m. corpse
dhappā	m. blow, hit, kick
mār	f. blow, hit
giṭ-piṭ	'incomprehensible Urdu'
baknā	to talk rubbish
terī jān ki qasm	'I swear by your life'
qasm	f. oath
pahle pahal	first of all
malā'ūn = mala'ūn	cursed, damned, bastard
khoprī	f. skull
purza	m. bit, piece
urā dena	make fly, smash to bits
ṭalnā/ṭal jānā	to hesitate
mardūd	m. bastard
hatak	f. insult
qamīs/qamīz	f. shirt
āstīn	f. sleeve
baṛbarānā	to babble, mumble
bhagvān	m. God
lāṭ sāhib	m. 'Lord' i.e. English
nāz uṭhānā	to suffer insults
tang ā jānā	to get fed up
manhūs	frightening, unlucky
rag	f. vein, artery

xūn	m. blood
khaulnā	to boil
najāt	f. escape
jān meñ jāñ āñā	to come to life, to be blissfully happy
kacahri	f. court (of law)
lādnā	to load, bung in
guftagū	f. conversation
jadīd	new, modern
āñ	m. constitution
nafaz	m. proclamation
intihā	f. limit
mārvāri	m. Marvari
dīvāni	civil (court action)
muqaddama	m. court case
ke silsile meñ	concerning
indiyā aikt	'India Act' (1935)
ke mut 'alliq	in accordance with
āpas meñ	amongst themselves
āzādī	f. independence
byāj	m. interest (on money)
(se) daryāft karnā	to enquire (from)
nāqābil-e bayān	indescribable
čābuq	m. whip
pītnā	to strike, hit
pīche murnā	to turn round
mūnchen	f.p. moustaches
safāi	f. neatness, cleanliness
pīth	f. back
bāg	f. rein
dhilā	loose
havā se bateñ karnā	'to talk to the wind', to run fast
ṭhikānā	m. residence, place, address
anārkali	Anarkali (district of Lahore)
dīnū	Dinu (name)
halvāi	m. sweet seller
ādh ser	'half a ser' (ser = roughly 2 lb)
dahī	m. yoghurt
lassī	f. a drink made from yoghurt
dakār lenā	to burp
dabānā	to suppress, put down
cūsnā	to suck
buland āvāz meñ	loudly
hat terī aisi kī taisi	a vulgar phrase something like 'go to hell!'
xilāf-e ma'mul	unusually
jān-pahcān (kā ādmī)	(someone) with whom one is well acquainted
sīna	m. breast
'ajib o garib	strange, unknown
tūfān	m. storm
xabar	f. news

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saxt	(here) very, urgently
majbūr	compelled
vo saxt majbūr thā	'he just had to...'
bağal	f. side, under the arm
āhinī	iron (adj.)
chat	f. roof
be-qarārī	f. anxiety
hālat	f. state (of mind)
ṭahlnā	to walk up and down
xayālāt	m.pl. ideas
nafāz	m. proclamation, promulgation
rośan karnā	to light, make bright
gaur o fikr	m. deep thoughts
andeśa	m. concern, apprehension
gūnjnā	to echo
jism	m. body
masarrat	f. joy
lahr	f. wave (of emotion)
ghanā	thick, bushy
khuṭiyā	f. hut
ghusnā	to enter, crawl into
khaṭmal	m. louse
behad	extremely
masrūr	happy, ecstatic
xās-kar	especially
ṭhandak	f. coolness, relief
cūhā	m. mouse, rat
thūthnī	f. snout
billā	m. tom cat
gāib honā	to disappear
nattū ganjā	Natthu Ganjā (name)
dāxil honā	to enter
ganjā	bald
khoprī	f. head (slang)
ugnā/ug ānā	to grow
maza/maze lenā	to enjoy, to savour the movement
daurān-e...meñ	during
zor se	strongly, warmly
rūsvälā	'Russian chap'
maujūda	present
soviet	Soviet
nizām	m. regime
ištirāqī	communist
sargarmī	f. enthusiasm
(ke sāth) milā denā	to mix up
tabdili	f. charge
asar	m. effect, result
pešāvar	Peshawar
dīgar	different, other

surx-poš	m. 'Red-Shirts'
tahrīk	f. movement
jārī honā	to be in operation
dimāg	m. brain
xalat-malat karnā	to mix up
fulān	a certain, some
bam-sāz	m. 'bomb-maker'
bağavat	f. revolution, unrest
ilzām	m. accusation
vāqi'āt	m.p. events
peş-xaima	m. forerunner
bairiştār	m. barrister
tanqīd	f. criticism
hissa	m. part
fedareşan	'Federation'
tārīx	f. history
siyāsī	political
nazariya	theory
ke i'tibār se	from the point of view of
balke	or rather
yūn	thus, so
beştar	most of
jumla	m. sentence
kisi qadr	sort of, more or less
āmad	f. coming, promulgation
cunānce	so, therefore
ke zer-e asar	under the influence of
hiqārat	f. despising
nigāh	f. look, glance, eye
ṭodī	'toady'
dabī zabān meñ	'under his breath'
sahīh	honourable
tamīz	f. distinction
ahlīyat	f. capability
gavarment kālij	Government College (Lahore)
tulabā/talabā	m.p. students
mazang	Mazang (area of Lahore)
barhānā	to increase
asamblī	assembly
mimbar	m. member
mulāzimat	f. employment
garbār	f. confusion
hāth ā jānā	to get (something)
bekār	useless
gredueṭ	m. graduate
māre māre phirnā	to idle around
kamī	f. lack, weakness
ahmīyat	f. importance
camaknā	to shine

sāz	m. (here) harness
caudhūrī xudā baxš	Chaudhuri Khuda Bakhsh
ṭhoṇk bajāna	to strike a bargain
lohā	m. iron, metal
nikal-carhā	nickle-plated
kīl	f. nail, stud
pītal	m. copper, brass
sonā	m. gold
damaknā	to sparkle, shine
daraxšān	bright
tābān	sparkling
haq	m. right, favour
tasavvyr	m. idea, imagination
zahn	m. mind
qāim karnā	to establish
āxirkār	finally
cand	a few
sard	cold
tāzagī	f. freshness
astabal	m. stable
jotnā	to yoke harness
gair-ma'mūlī taur par	unusually
dhundalkā	m. twilight, early morning light
cakkar lagānā	to go around
kalgī	f. plume, headgear
par	m. feather
jamnā	to fit on, get together
ānā	m. anna (16th of a rupee)
ṭāp kā khambā	m. electric lamp post
bord	m. board
ghunghrū	m. bell
jhunjhunāhaṭ	f. tinkling
māyūs	sad
taskīn	f. consolation
hāī korṭ	m. high court
gharyāl	m. clock tower
ra'unnat	f. arrogance
xuš-poš	well dressed
na jāne	for some reason or other
mailā	dirty, soiled
xīrakun	blinding
jalvā	m. effulgence, bright light
nazzāra	m. sight, view
āmad o raft	f. coming and going
gāhak	m. customer
manhārī-vālā	m. bangle maker
numāišī	on display
śīśā	m. glass
almārī	f. case, cupboard

da'vat-e nazzāra	f. invitation to view
bijlī	f. electricity
tār	m. wire
kabūtar	m. pigeon
lar-jhagarñā	to fight, squabble
beqarārī	f. anxiety
ghariān kātnā	to be patient
gair-maglūb	irrepressible
ke zer-e asar	by the effect of, because of
pet̄	m. stomach
dabānā	to press
nākām	unsuccessful
tang ā jānā	to get fed up
par baras pañnā	to rain down upon, to shout at
murda	m. corpse
ang	m. limb, body
tāqat	f. strength
taxta	m. plank of wood
letnā	to lie down
jan denā	to give birth to
tab'an	by nature
jald-bāz	impatient, hasty
vāqi' honā	turn out to be
sabab	m. cause, matter
'amalī	practical
taškil	form, shape
xwāhišmand	desirous, wanting
mutajassis	seeking, enquiring
kuān	m. well
khodnā	to dig
piyās	f. thirst
be-hāl	suffering
ke lihāz se	from the point of view of
gāndhī	Gandhi
javāhar-lāl	Jawaharlal (Nehru)
jurūs	m. procession
līdar	m. leader
'azmat	f. dignity, importance
andāza karnā	to guess at, weigh up
hangāma	m. confusion, excitement
hār	m. garland
gendā	m. marigold
se ladā huā	laden with
ke nazdīk	according to
ke bā'is	because of
fasād	m. eruption, skirmish
tarāzū	m. scale
tolnā	to weigh
māl rod	the Mall (Lahore)

camkilā	shining
satah	surface
motor	f. motor-car
kirāya	m. fare
tai karnā	to settle, arrange
cābuk dikhānā	to urge on with a whip
manzil-e maqsūd	f. destination
jeb	f. pocket
sulgānā	to light a cigarette
naśist	f. seat
gaddā	cushion
bītā huā	past
itmīnān	m. relief, comfort
ke gird	around
lapeṭnā	to wrap (around)
hīnhīnānā	to whinny
dhīmā	slow
cāl	f. movement
bhāg-daur	racing, running
sust	slow, lazy
qayās/qayāsāt	m.(m.p.) idea(s), thought(s)
myūnisipal kamītī	municipal committee
maujūdagī	f. presence
par ǵaur karnā	to concentrate on
qābil-e ǵaur	worthy of consideration
āīn-e jadīd	m. 'the new constitution'
rośanī	f. light
sa'ī karnā	to try (hard)
soc-bicār	f. thoughts
garq	immersed
palaṭnā	to turn round
behad	extreme
śakal	f. form
jazbāt	m.p. emotions
us ke jī meñ āī ki	'he felt like'
tavajjuh	f. attention
bevuqūfi	f. stupidity
muft meñ	for nothing
vusūl karma	to get, acquire
āñkh jhapakte meñ	'in the twinkling of an eye'
khencnā	to pull
ṭhahrānā	to bring to a halt
sāhib bahādur	'my Lord' (ironic)
kahān jānā māñgtā hai	'where do you want to go?' (imitating the Urdu of the English)
balā kā	extreme
tanziya	ironic
andāz	(here) innuendo
hon̄t	m. lip

khincnā, khinc jānā	to be pulled (down)
gāl	m. cheek
maddham	faint, low
lakīr	f. line
nathnā	m. nostril
ṭhorī	f. chin
bālāī	higher
larziś	f. tremor, quiver
gahrā	deep
nokilā	pointed, sharp
cāqū	m. knife, dagger
śīśam (= sīsū)	m. the wood of a tree native to South Asia, known as <i>Dalbergia Sisu</i> . The wood is commonly used in the manufacture of wooden artefacts.
sāñvalā	dark brown
lakrī	f. wood
dhārī	f. stripe
jalānā	to burn
bhasam	m. ashes
oṭ	f. shelter
rux	m. direction
paīdān	m. footboard, step
nigāheṇ cār honā	to meet eyeball to eyeball
ba-yak vaqt	at one and the same time
āmne sāmne	in front of (each other)
bandūq	m. gun
golī	bullet
xārij honā	(here) to be let off
ṭakrānā	to confront
ātaśīn	fiery, emotional
bagolā	m. whirlwind
bal	m. power
bāg ke bal kholnā	to give full rein to
zarra	m. atom, particle, element
cabānā	to chew
vujūd	m. existence
patlūn	f. trousers
gair-marī	invisible
jhārnā	to brush (off), sweep
hamla	m. attack
mahfūz rakhnā	to preserve
dhuān	m. smoke
nigalnā	to swallow
garbār	f. trouble, confusion
caurā	wide
chātī	f. chest, breast
nācnā	to dance
duhrānā	to repeat

baras	m. year
jharap	f. argument
xwah maxwāh (xāmxāh)	in vain
cāṛhī hūī šarāb	wine that had gone to his head
tau'an o karhan	whether one likes it or not; without any choice
sahnā	to put up with, endure
(kisi kā) dimāg durust kar denā	to bring someone to his senses; put someone down
purza	m. part (of a machine)
purze uṛā denā	to make mincemeat of someone
maslahut	prudence
kī binā par	on the grounds of
'adālat	f. court (of law)
nazala	m. (here) wrath
lahja	m. accent, tone of voice
tezī	f. (here) lash
hīrā mandī	Hira Mandi (the red-light district of Lahore)
thartharānā	to tremble, bristle
hairānā	amazed, angry
cillānā	to scream, shout loudly
dāhnā (= dāyānī)	right
bāloṇ bharā	hairy
bhincnā	to be clenched
ghuṇsā	m. blow of the fist, punch
vazanī	heavy
ixtiyār karnā	to adopt, take on
bekār	useless, stupid
peš-e nazar rakhnā	to consider, put forward
caurāī	f. breadth, girth
nazar-andāz karna	to ignore
khoprī	skull, head
khujlānā	to itch
khoprī khujlānā	to be itching (for a fight)
hauslā-afzā	encouraging
akarkar	haughtily
akarnā	to become rigid
charī	walking stick, cane
iśāra	sign
bed	m. willow
pāliš kiyā huā	polished
patlā	thin
rān	f. thigh
chūnā	to touch
past-qad	squat, dwarfish
pīsnā, pīs dālnā	to grind
kamān	f. bow
tīr	m. arrow
časm-zadan meñ	in the twinkling of an eye
ṭhuddý (= ḥorī)	f. chin

dhakhā denā	to push
pare haṭānā	to send flying, lay low
dhara-dhar pītnā	to hit mercilessly, land one blow after another
šašdar	astounded
mutahayyar	amazed
simaṭnā	to shrink
muxālif	m. opponent
divānagī	f. madness, rage
tārī honā	to come down, assail
šarāra	spark
barasnā	to rain
zor zor se	loudly
cīx-pukār	f. screaming and calling
bāhan	f. arm
jī bharke	to his heart's content
akarpan	f. pride, haughtiness
rāj	m. rule
polis	f. police
girift	f. clutches
churānā	to release
sipāhī	m. soldier, policeman
phūlā huā	panting (breath)
sāñs	f. breath
jhāg	m. foam
bahnā	to flow, pour out
muskarānā	to smile
hairatzada	amazed, stunned
majma'	m. crowd
hāñpnā	to pant
xalil xān	Khalil Khan
fāxta	f. dove
urānā	to fly, send flying
miyān	'mister'
bigrā huā	angry, spoilt
kī mānand	like, as
hujūm	m. crowd
thānā	m. police station
havālāt	m.p. prison