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IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICES FOR PUBLICATION IN THE WEEKLY "GAZETTE"

ATTENTION is drawn to each of the 'Notices' appearing in the 1st week of every month, regarding the latest dates and times of acceptance of notices for publication in the weekly *Gazette* at the end of each Part of the *Gazette of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka*.

All notices to be published in every Part of the *Gazette* shall close at 12 noon of each Friday, *a fortnight before the date of publication*. All Departments, Corporations, Boards, etc., are advised that any notification fixing specific dates for closing times of applications in regard to vacancies, tender notices and the dates and times of auction sales, etc., should be prepared with due regard to this change, i.e., by giving adequate time both from the time of despatch of notice to the Government Press and from the date of publication thus enabling those interested in the contents of the notices to actively and positively participate.

All notices to be published in the weekly *Gazette* should reach this Department positively by 12 noon of the Friday, two weeks prior to date of publication, e.g., Notices for publication in the weekly *Gazette* of August 23, 1991 should reach the Government Press on or before 12 noon on August 09, 1991.

Department of Govt. Printing,
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Provincial Council Notifications

CENTRAL PROVINCE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

IT is hereby notified that the following Statute has been approved by the Central Province Provincial Council on 26th May, 1991 and the Honourable Governor's assent has been received on 31st May, 1991.

P. R. RANASINGHE,
 Assembly Secretary,
 Central Provincial Council.

Central Provincial Council,
 Assembly Secretariat,
 P.O. Box 92,
 Pallekele,
 Kundasale.

Agriculture Statute, No. 11 of 1990 of the Central Province

A STATUTE TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE IN THE CENTRAL PROVINCE OF SRI LANKA IN RESPECT OF FUNCTIONS DEVOLVED AS SET OUT IN ITEM NINE (9) OF LIST NO. 1 IN THE NINTH SCHEDULE OF 13TH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA

Be it passed by the Provincial Council of the Central Province of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows.

Short title.

1. This Statute may be cited as the Agriculture Statute No. 11 of 1990 of Provincial Council of the Central Province of Sri Lanka and shall come into operation on the date of Governor's assent.

Administration of the Statute.

2. For the purpose of this Statute, there shall be a Department of Agriculture consisting of the Director of Agriculture, Additional Director of Agriculture, Deputy Directors of Agriculture and Assistant Directors of Agriculture and such other officers and servants may be appointed from time to time.

Responsibilities of the Director.

3. (1) The Director shall be responsible for the development and promotion of agriculture in the Central Province as provided in paras. of 9 : 1 and 9 : 3 in item Nine of list 1 (Provincial Council list) in the Ninth Schedule of the 13th Amendment of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Powers of the Minister.

(2) It shall be lawful for the Minister on appeal or otherwise to rescind, alter or revise any order or determination made by the Director or his officers in the exercise of their discretion under any of the provisions of this Statute or any regulations made thereunder. The decision of the Minister shall be final and shall be binding on the Director, his officers and all other persons affected thereby.

PART I

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Provincial Advisory Committee.

4. (1) There shall be established a Provincial Advisory Committee consisting of such persons not being less than seven in number as may be appointed by the Minister with the concurrence of the Chief Minister of the Province.

(2) The Minister shall nominate the Secretary of the Ministry as Chairman of the said Advisory Committee.

(3) An officer of the Department nominated in that behalf by the Minister shall act as Secretary to the Committee.

(4) The function of the Advisory Committee shall be to advise the Minister on all such matters relating to agriculture as may be referred to by the Minister or the Secretary of the Ministry to the Committee for such advice or in respect of which the Committee may think fit to tender advice.

(5) The Minister may make rules of procedure with approval of the Provincial Council for the summoning and holding of meetings of the Advisory Committee and for the conduct of business at the meetings of the Committee.

(6) Any member of the Advisory Committee may at any time be removed from office by the Minister or any member of the Advisory Committee may resign by a letter addressed to the Minister.

(7) The Minister can appoint another person to cover up duties of the Chairman or any member who cannot perform duties of his post due to ill-health or being away from Sri Lanka or is unable to perform his duties due to other reasons as the case may be.

(8) Every member of the Advisory Committee shall, unless he earlier resigns or vacates his office or is removed from office by the Minister, hold office for a term of two years from the date of his appointment.

5. (1) The Minister may appoint Divisional Advisory Committees for the purpose of advising the Director upon matters connected with agriculture in the Divisions of the Province and the agricultural needs thereof.

Divisional
Advisory
Committees.

(2) The Divisional Advisory Committee shall consist of—

- (a) The Divisional Secretary of the Provincial Council ;
- (b) The Chairman of the Pradeshiya Sabha of the Division ;
- (c) The Chairman of the Agrarian services Committees of the Division ;
- (d) All the Divisional Officers of Agrarian Services of the Division .
- (e) All the Agricultural Instructors of the Division ;
- (f) All Grama Niladharies of the Division.

(3) The Divisional Secretary of the Division shall be the Chairman of the Divisional Advisory Committee.

(4) At the first meeting of the Advisory Committee, the Advisory Committee shall elect the Secretary from its members who is an officer of a Government Department or an Authority.

(5) All matters referred to a Divisional Advisory Committee for consideration by the Director or the Assistant Director shall be dealt with and disposed of by the Divisional Advisory Committee meetings summoned and held in the prescribed manner at the prescribed times.

(6) The Divisional Advisory Committee constituted for any Division under this Statute shall not be deemed for any purpose to be vested with any executive or administrative duties or covers or with any functions other than that of advising or recommending on such matters, relating to agriculture in that Division or the agricultural needs thereof.

6. The Provincial and Divisional Advisory Committees may appoint Sub-Committees for the discharge of specific agricultural function or functions. The Sub-Committees should perform their duties under the general direction and control of the relevant Committee.

Sub-Committees
of Provincial
and Divisional
Advisory
Committees.

PART II

POWERS OF MINISTER TO MAKE REGULATIONS

7. (1) The Minister may make regulation for the purpose of giving effect to the directions and provisions of this Statute with the approval of the Provincial Council.

Powers of
Minister.

PART III

GENERAL

8. (1) In the Statute, unless the context otherwise requires :

- “ Provincial Council ” means the Provincial Council of the Central Province.
- “ The Governor ” means the Governor of the Central Province.
- “ Chief Minister ” means the Chief Minister of the Central Province.
- “ The Minister ” means the Minister in-charge of the subject of Agriculture in the Province.
- “ Secretary ” means the Secretary of the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture.

Interpretation.

- " Divisional Secretaries " means the Divisional Secretaries of each Divisions duly appointed by the Provincial Council to act as administrative heads of such Divisions.
- " Department " means the Department of Agriculture in the Province.
- " Director " means the Provincial Director of Agriculture and includes any officer of the department to the extent to which he is, by the authority of the Director empowered to exercise or perform any of the powers and duties of the Director under this Statute.
- " Additional Director " means the Additional Provincial Director of Agriculture.
- " Deputy Directors " means Deputy Provincial Directors of Agriculture.
- " Assistant Directors " means the Assistant Directors of Agriculture.
- " Provincial Advisory Committee " means the Provincial Advisory Committee established under Section 4 (1).
- " Divisional Advisory Committees " means the Divisional Advisory Committees established under Section 5 (1).

9. In this Statute, if there is any contradiction between Sinhalese and Tamil or English versions Sinhalese language version should be effective.

Effectiveness
of Sinhalese
language
version.

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