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AN ACT TO AMEND THE KANDYAN MARRIAGE AND
DIVORCE ACT (CHAPTER 113)

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist
Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:-

1. This Act may be cited as the Kandyan Marriage and
Divorce (Amendment) Act, No. 23 of 2013 and shall be deemed
to have come into operation on January 1, 2013.

Short title and
date of
operation.

2. Section 16 of the Kandyan Marriage and Divorce Act
(Chapter 113) (hereinafter referred to as the “principal
enactment”) is hereby amended in subsection (6) thereof, by
the repeal of paragraph (d) of that subsection and the
substitution therefor of the following paragraph :-

Amendment of
section 16 of the
Kandyan
Marriage and
Divorce Act
(Chapter 113).

“(d) shall be accompanied by a receipt issued by
the Divisional Registrar or the District Registrar as
the case may be, in proof of payment of the
prescribed fee; and.” .

3. Section 18 of the principal enactment is hereby amended
in subsection (5) thereof, by the substitution for the words
“the declaration shall bear a stamp or stamps of the prescribed
value which shall be supplied by the party making the
declaration” of the words “the declaration shall be
accompanied by a receipt issued by the District Registrar in
proof of payment of the prescribed fee which shall be made by
the party making the declaration.” .

Amendment of
section 18 of
the principal
enactment.

4. Section 19 of the principal enactment is hereby amended
by the repeal of subsection (4) of that section, and the
substitution therefor of the following subsection:-

Amendment of
section 19 of the
principal
enactment.

“(4) Where the declaration is made before the
District Registrar or the Divisional Registrar it shall
be accompanied by a receipt issued by the District

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Registrar in proof of payment of a sum of rupees one hundred or such other amount as may be prescribed by the Minister. Such fees shall be paid by the party making the declaration.”.

Amendment of section 24 of the principal enactment.

5. Section 24 of the principal enactment is hereby amended by the repeal of subsection (2) of that section and the substitution therefor of the following subsection:-

“(2) Every application authorised to be made under the preceding provisions of this section, shall be accompanied by a receipt issued by the District Registrar or the Divisional Registrar in proof of payment of the prescribed value.”.

Validation.

6. Any fees charged or collected by or on behalf of the Registrar- General or any person authorised under this Act, for any purpose authorised by this Act to charge or collect, during the period commencing on January 1, 2013 and ending on the date on which the certificate of the speaker is endorsed in respect of this Act, shall be deemed to have been validly charged or collected by the Registrar- General or by any such person authorised under this Act:

Provided that, the aforesaid provisions shall not affect any decision or Order made by any Court or any proceedings pending in any Court in respect of any fee charged or collected during the aforesaid period.

Sinhala text to prevail in case of inconsistency.

7. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil Texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

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