



**PARLIAMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC  
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF  
SRI LANKA**

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**EXCISE (AMENDMENT)**

**A  
BILL**

**to amend the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52)**

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*Presented by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media  
on 11th of December, 2017.*

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*STATEMENT OF LEGAL EFFECT*

*Clause 2* : This clause amends section 15 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52), and the legal effect of the section as amended is to include the requirement of obtaining a license for tapping any palmyrah tree and coconut tree which produces toddy.

*Excise (Amendment)*

L.D.—O. 63/2016

AN ACT TO AMEND THE EXCISE ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 52)

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Excise (Amendment) Act, No. of 2017 and shall come into operation on 5 January 1, 2018. Short title and date of operation.
2. Section 15 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) is hereby amended by the repeal of paragraphs (b) and (c) of that section, and the substitution therefor of the following:— Amendment of section 15 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52).
- 10 “(b) no tree producing toddy, other than kithul tree shall be tapped;
- (c) no toddy shall be drawn or lowered from any tree other than the kithul tree.”.
3. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail. Sinhala text to prevail in case of inconsistency.

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