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SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF
SRI LANKA**

COCONUT DEVELOPMENT (AMENDMENT)

A

BILL

to amend the Coconut Development Act, No. 46 of 1971

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STATEMENT OF LEGAL EFFECT

Clause 2: This clause amends section 2 of the Coconut Development Act, No. 46 of 1971 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal enactment”) in order to appoint a Working Director to the Board.

Clause 3: This clause inserts a new section 2A in the principal enactment to provide for the matters relating to the Working Director and is consequential to the amendment made by clause 2.

Coconut Development (Amendment)

L.D.—O. 28/2017

AN ACT TO AMEND THE COCONUT DEVELOPMENT
ACT, No. 46 OF 1971

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Coconut Development Short title.
(Amendment) Act, No. of 2019.

5 **2.** Section 2 of the Coconut Development Act, No. 46 Amendment
of 1971 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal enactment”) of Section 2
is hereby amended in subsection (1) of that section as 46 of 1971.
follows:-

10 (1) by the substitution in paragraph (ix), for the words
“the Board; and” of the words “the Board;”; and

(2) by the insertion immediately after paragraph (ix) of
that subsection, of the following new paragraph:-

15 “(ixa) appoint a Working Director, in
accordance with the provisions of section
2A, who shall not be a member of the
Board; and”.

3. The following new section is hereby inserted Insertion of
immediately after section 2 of the principal enactment and new section
shall have effect as section 2A of that enactment:- 2A in the
principal
enactment.

20 “Working 2A. (1) The Minister may appoint to any
Director of Board established under the provisions of
a Board. section 2 of this Act, a Working Director from
among persons who have had wide experience
in the area of coconut development.

(2) The Working Director shall-

(a) be a full time officer;

5 (b) assist the Chairman in the promotion of the development of coconut cultivation and marketing; and

10 (c) assist the Chairman in the administration, management and operation of the affairs of the Board including the co-ordination of the activities of the Board.

15 (3) The Minister may remove the Working Director from office after assigning reasons therefor.

20 (4) The term of office of the Working Director shall be for a period of three years from the date of appointment and he shall be eligible for reappointment unless has been removed from office as referred to in subsection (3). Such reappointment shall be for not more than one further term, whether consequent or not.

25 (5) The office of the Working Director shall become vacant upon the death, removal from office under subsection (3) or resignation by letter in that behalf addressed to the Minister.

30 (6) Where the Working Director by reason of ill health, infirmity or absence from Sri Lanka is temporarily unable to perform the duties of his office, the Minister shall appoint another member of the Board to act in his place.

(7) The Working Director shall be paid such remuneration as may be specified in the relevant Public Enterprise Circulars issued by the Ministry of Finance.” .

- 5 **4.** 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.

