



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

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**MARRIAGES (GENERAL) (AMENDMENT)**

**A**

**BILL**

**to amend the Marriages (General) Ordinance No. 19 of 1907**

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*Presented by Hon. (Ven.) Athuraliye Rathana Thero, M.P.  
on 08th of January, 2020*

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*Marriages (General) (Amendment)*

AN ACT TO AMEND THE MARRIAGES (GENERAL)  
ORDINANCE NO. 19 OF 1907

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Marriages (General) Short title.  
(Amendment) Act, No. of 2020.
- 5 2. The Preamble of the Principle enactment is hereby Amendment  
amended by deletion of the words “other than the marriages of the  
of Muslims”. preamble of  
the Principle  
enactment.
3. Notwithstanding anything contrary to the provisions Repeal and  
of the Principle enactment or the provisions of any other law, savings.  
10 the Marriages (General) Ordinance No. 19 of 1907 shall  
prevail.
4. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala Sinhala text  
and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail. to prevail in  
case of  
inconsistency.

