

PARLIAMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA

SAMURDHI (AMENDMENT)

A

BILL

to amend the Samurdhi Act, No. 1 of 2013

Presented by the Minister of Rural Development, Social Security and Community Empowerment on 17th of June, 2025

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STATEMENT OF LEGAL EFFECT

Clause 2: This clause inserts new section 28A to the Samurdhi Act, No. 1 of 2013 (hereinafter referred to as the "principal enactment") and the legal effect of that section as inserted is to make provisions to audit accounts of samurdhi community based banks.

Clause 3: This clause inserts new section 35A to the principal enactment and the legal effect of that section as inserted is to make provisions to audit accounts of samurdhi community based banking societies.

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE SAMURDHI ACT, NO. 1 OF 2013

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Samurdhi (Amendment) Short title Act. No. of 2025.

- 2. The following new section is hereby inserted Insertion of 5 immediately after section 28 of the Samurdhi Act. No. 1 of new section 28_A in Act, 2013 (in this Act referred to as the "principal enactment") No. 1 of 2013 and shall have effect as section 28A of that enactment:-
- "Audit of **28**A. The provisions of Article 154 of the accounts of 10 Constitution relating to audit of accounts of samurdhi public corporations and the provisions of community based banks the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018 shall apply to the audit of the accounts of samurdhi community based banks.".
- 15 3. The following new section is hereby inserted Insertion of immediately after section 35 of the principal enactment and shall have effect as section 35_A of that enactment: –

new section 35_A in the principal enactment

35A. The provisions of Article 154 of the "Audit of accounts of Constitution relating to audit of accounts of samurdhi community public corporations and the provisions of 20 based the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018 shall banking apply to the audit of the accounts of samurdhi societies community based banking societies.".

4. In the event of any inconsistency between Sinhala and Sinhala text to prevail 25 Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail. in case of