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Government Notifications

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PETROLEUM RESOURCES ACT, No. 21 OF 2021

REGULATIONS made by the Minister of Energy under section 48 read with section 17 of the Petroleum Resources Act, No. 21 of 2021 and approved by the Cabinet of Ministers.

Minister of Energy.

Colombo,
27th January, 2026.

Regulations

1. These regulations may be cited as the Petroleum Resources Agreement Regulations No. 01 of 2026.
2. Any person who is desirous of exploring or developing petroleum resources within one or more identified blocks shall submit an investment proposal (in these regulations hereinafter referred to as the “bid”), together with the payment of an administrative fee, specified in the relevant invitation to bid.
3. The bid referred to in regulation 2, shall include the accurate information in the similar format as specified in the invitation to bid.



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4. The bids submitted under regulation 2, shall be evaluated by the Project Committee appointed by the Secretary to the Treasury on the request made by the line Ministry, in accordance with the criteria specified in the corresponding invitation to bid.
5. The Project Committee shall forward its recommendations to the Petroleum Development Authority of Sri Lanka (hereinafter referred to as the “Authority”) and the Negotiating Committee appointed by the Cabinet of Ministers.
6. The Authority shall, where necessary, in consultation with the Negotiating Committee and the Project Committee, negotiate with contractors the terms and conditions to be incorporated into each Petroleum Resources Agreement based on the relevant Model Petroleum Resources Agreement.
7. The Authority shall forward the final negotiated Petroleum Resources Agreement, to the Minister and the Minister shall submit the same to the Cabinet of Ministers for approval.
8. The Cabinet of Ministers shall authorize the designated individual to enter into the Petroleum Resources Agreement on behalf of the Government of Sri Lanka.

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