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| **Anonymous Inner Class** | **Lambda-Expression** |
| It is a class without name | It is a function without name |
| It can extend abstract-class & concrete-class. | It cannot extend abstract-class & concrete-class. |
| It can implement an interface which contains any number of abstract-methods. | It can only implement an Interface which contains S.A.M. i.e. @Functional-Interface. |
| Inside Anonymous-Inner-class, “this” keyword always refers to current Anonymous-Inner-class Object. | But in Lambda-Expression, “this” always refers to current-class-outer-object. |
| At the time of compilation, a separate  “.class” file will be generated. | At the time of compilation no separate  “.class” file will be generated. |
| It is the best choice when we have multiple methods() to handle. | It is the best choice when we have @Functional-Interface to handle. |