

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

**IMMIGRANTS AND EMIGRANTS (AMENDMENT) ACT, No. 27 OF 2021**

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| *Immigrants and Emigrants (Amendment)* | 1 |

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L.D.—O. 24/2018   
 AN ACTTOAMENDTHE IMMIGRANTSAND EMIGRANTS ACT

(CHAPTER 351)

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

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| **1.** | This Act may be cited as the Immigrants and | Short title  Amendment of section 14 of  Chapter 351 |
| Emigrants (Amendment) Act, No. 27 of 2021. | |
| **2.** | Section 14 of the Immigrants and Emigrants Act |
| (Chapter 351) is hereby amended as follows:– | |

(1) in subsection (1) thereof, by the substitution for the words, “two years,” of the words “five years,”;   
(2) in subsection (2) thereof, by the substitution for the words, “exceeding two years but not exceeding five years,” of the words “exceeding five years but not exceeding ten years,”; and   
(3) by the insertion immediately after subsection (3) thereof, of the following subsection:-  
 “(3*A)* (*a*) Notwithstanding the time limits specified in subsections (1) and (2), the period of permanent residence visa may be determined by the Minister.

(*b*) For the purpose of paragraph (*a*), “permanent   
residence visa” means, a visa granted under   
regulations made under this Act.”.

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| **3.** | In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala | Sinhala text to  prevail in case of inconsistency |
| and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail. | |

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