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**SRI LANKA**

**MAHAPOLA HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP TRUST FUND (AMENDMENT) ACT, No. 1 OF 2022**

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AN ACTTOAMENDTHE MAHAPOLA HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP TRUST FUND ACT, NO. 66 OF 1981

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 Mahapola Higher Education | Short title |

Scholarship Trust Fund (Amendment) Act, No. 1 of 2022.

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| **2.** | The long title of the Mahapola Higher Education | Amendment of the long title to Act, No.66 of 1981 |
| Scholarship Trust Fund Act, No. 66 of 1981 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal enactment”) is hereby amended by the substitution for the words “MAHAPOLA HIGHER | |

EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP TRUST FUND”, of the words,“LALITH ATHULATHMUDALI MAHAPOLA HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP TRUST FUND”.

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| **3.** | (1) In the principal enactment and in any other written | General  amendment to  the principal  enactment and  other written law |
| law, there shall be substituted –  (*a*) for the words “Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund Act”, of the words, “Lalith | |

Athulathmudali Mahapola Higher Education   
Scholarship Trust Fund Act”; and

(*b*) for the words “Mahapola Higher Education   
Scholarship Trust Fund”, of the words, “Lalith   
Athulathmudali Mahapola Higher Education   
Scholarship Trust Fund”,

wherever such words appear in the principal enactment and other written law.

(2) Every reference to the “Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund Act” and “Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund” in any notice, notification, contract, communication, agreement, form or

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other document shall be read and construed as a reference to the “Lalith Athulathmudali Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund Act” and “Lalith Athulathmudali Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund”.

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| Amendment of section 3 of the principal  enactment | **4.** | Section 3 of the principal enactment is hereby amended |
| as follows:- | |
| (1) | by the repeal of subsection (2) thereof and the |

substitution therefor of the following subsection:-

“(2) The Board of Trustees of the Fund (hereinafter   
referred to as the “Board”) shall consist of the   
following members:-

(*a*) the founder or his nominee;

(*b*) a retired Judge of the Supreme Court or a   
retired Auditor General appointed by the   
President for a period of three years who shall   
be the Chairman of the Board;

(*c*) the persons for the time being holding office   
 as–

(i) the Secretary to the Ministry of the   
Minister to whom the subject of Higher   
Education is assigned;

(ii) the Secretary to the Ministry of the   
Minister to whom the subject of   
Education is assigned;

(iii) the Secretary to the Ministry of the   
Minister to whom the subject of Trade   
is assigned; and

(*d*) two persons appointed by the founder   
(hereinafter referred to as the “appointed   
members”) for a period of five years.”; and

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| (2) | by the repeal of subsection (3) thereof. | | Amendment of section 15 of the principal  ecnactment  Insertion of new section 15A in  the principal  enactment |
| **5.** | Section 15 of the principal enactment is hereby | |
| amended by the substitution for the words, “All officers and servants of the Fund” of the words, “All officers, servants and Trustees of the Fund”. | | |
| **6.** | The following new section is hereby inserted | |
| immediately after section 15 of the principal enactment and shall have effect as section 15A of that enactment: - | | |
| “Provisions  of Offences  Against  Public  Property Act, | | 15A. All movable and immovable property of the Fund shall be deemed to be public property within the meaning of, and for the purposes of, the Offences Against Public |
| No. 12 of  1982 to | | Property Act, No. 12 of 1982.”. |

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| **7.** | For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that | Avoidance of doubt |
| the “Lalith Athulathmudali Mahapola Higher Education | |

Scholarship Trust Fund”, shall, for all purposes be deemed to be the successor to the “Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund”.

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| **8.** | 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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