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**AN ACT TO AMEND THE AGRARIAN RESEARCH AND TRAINING  
INSTITUTE ACT, No. 5 of 1972.**

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Agrarian Research and  
Training Institute (Amendment) Act, No. 29 of 1981.

Short title

2. Section 6 of the Agrarian Research and Training  
Institute Act, No. 5 of 1972, (hereinafter referred to as the  
“principal enactment”) is hereby amended as follows :—

Amendment  
of section  
6 of Act  
No. 5 of  
1972.

(1) by the repeal of subsection (1) of that section and the  
substitution therefor of the following subsection :—

‘ (1) The Institute shall have a Board of Gover-  
nors (hereinafter referred to as “the Board”)   
consisting of—

(a) the Secretary to the Ministry of the Minister in  
charge of the subject of Agriculture, who shall  
be the Chairman ;

(b) the following members appointed by the  
Minister, namely—

(i) a representative of the Ministry of the  
Minister in charge of the subject of  
Agriculture ;

(ii) a representative of the Ministry of the  
Minister in charge of the subject of  
Lands ;

(iii) a representative of the Ministry of the  
Minister in charge of the subject of  
Land Development ;

(iv) a representative of the Ministry of the  
Minister in charge of the subject of  
National Planning ;

(v) a representative of the Ministry of the  
Minister in charge of the subject of  
Regional Development ;

(vi) a representative of the Ministry of the  
Minister in charge of the subject of  
Rural Industrial Development ;

- (vii) a representative of the Ministry of the Minister in charge of the subject of Plantation Industries;
- (viii) a representative of the Ministry of the Minister in charge of the subject of Education;
- (ix) a representative of the Ministry of the Minister in charge of the subject of Mahaweli Development;
- (x) a representative of the Ministry of the Minister in charge of the subject of Internal Trade;
- (xi) a representative of the Central Bank of Ceylon; and
- (xii) a representative of the Faculty of Agriculture in the University of Peradeniya, nominated by the Minister in charge of the subject of Higher Education:

Provided that where two or more of the subjects specified in sub-paragraph (i) to (x) of this paragraph are assigned to or remain in charge of, one Minister, then there shall be only one representative nominated by the Minister in respect of such subjects; and

(c) the following ex officio members—

- (i) the Director of the Institute;
- (ii) the Director of Agriculture or his nominee;
- (iii) the Land Commissioner or his nominee;
- (iv) the Commissioner of Agrarian Services or his nominee;
- (v) the Director of Irrigation or his nominee;
- (vi) the Commissioner of Co-operative Development or his nominee;
- (vii) the Director of Rural Development or his nominee; and
- (viii) the Country Representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization or his nominee; and

(2) by the repeal of subsection (4) of that section

3. Section 7 of the principal enactment is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor:—

“Term of office of members of the Board.

7. Every member appointed under paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 6 shall, unless he vacates office earlier by death, resignation or removal, hold office for a period of three years.”

Replacement of section 7 of the principal enactment.

4. Section 12 of the principal enactment is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor:—

“Remuneration and reimbursement of expenses of members of the Institute.

12. The members of the Institute shall be paid such remuneration for attending meetings as may be determined by the Institute, with the approval of the Minister. The members shall also, be reimbursed by the Institute for such travelling, hotel and incidental expenses as they may incur for the purpose of attending meetings of the Institute or for such other purpose connected with the activities of the Institute as may be approved by the Institute.”

Replacement of section 12 of the principal enactment.

5. Section 16 of the principal enactment is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor:—

Appointment of Vice-Chairman and presidency at meetings.

16. (1) The Minister may in consultation with the Chairman, appoint a Vice-Chairman from among the members appointed by the Minister, under paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 6.

Replacement of section 16 of the principal enactment.

(2) The Chairman or in his absence the Vice-Chairman shall preside at meetings of the Board and in the absence of both the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman, from any such meeting, the members present shall elect one of the members present to preside at such meeting.

(3) Where there is an equality of votes on any matter or thing decided at a meeting of the Board the Chairman at such meeting shall in addition to his vote, have a second or casting vote

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of section  
17 of the  
principal  
enactment**

6. Section 17 of the principal enactment is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after subsection (3) thereof of the following new subsection :—

“ (3A) Where at any time, a person removed from the office of Director under subsection (3), otherwise than on disciplinary grounds, is a person who had been permanently appointed to the staff of the Institute under subsection (3) of section 19—

(a) he shall be paid six months' salary as compensation for loss of career ; and

(b) if at the time of his permanent appointment to the staff of the Institute, he had been eligible for the award under the Minutes on Pensions, then for the purposes of such award, his employment in the staff of the Institute shall be deemed to have been terminated on the ground of the abolition of the post of Director held by him. ”