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(AMENDMENT)**

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS ACT, NO. 44
OF 1980

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Registration of Electors (Amendment) Act, No. 10 of 1989. Short title.

2. The following new section is hereby inserted immediately after section 17, and shall have effect as section 17A of the Registration of Electors Act, No. 44 of 1980 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal enactment") :— Insertion of new section 17A in Act No. 44 of 1980.

"Supplementary Register.

17A. (1) Any person who becomes entitled, after the expiration of the period referred to in section 14(3) for the making of claims, to have his name entered in the register by reason of his being granted the status of a citizen of Sri Lanka under the Indo-Ceylon Agreement (Implementation) Act, No. 14 of 1967 or the Grant of Citizenship to Stateless Persons Act, No. 5 of 1986, or the Grant of Citizenship to Stateless Persons (Special Provisions) Act, No. 39 of 1988, may apply to the registering officer before May 8th of the succeeding year, to have his name entered in the register of the electoral district in which such person was resident on the 1st day of June of the preceding year.

(2) The registering officer shall prepare a list of claims received by him under subsection (1) and shall give notice in the Gazette and in at least one newspaper in each of the official languages that such list has been completed and is open for inspection at all reasonable hours of the day at the office of the registering officer.

(3) The provisions of subsection (7) to (16) of section 14 and section 15 shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply to objections against names in the list of claims and to appeals against decisions of the registering officer on such objections.

(4) The registering officer of each electoral district shall prepare and certify a Supplementary Register containing the names of the persons whose names appear in the list of claims as soon as may be after the objections made under subsection (3) have been adjudicated upon :

Provided that the registering officer may certify the Supplementary Register during the pendency of an appeal and shall thereafter enter in, or expunge from, such Register, the name of any person in accordance with the decision of the revising officer on the determination of such appeal.

(5) Upon the certification of the Supplementary Register for an electoral district under subsection (4), such Supplementary Register shall be deemed, for all purposes, to form part of the register for that electoral district.

(6) The provisions of this section shall cease to operate with effect from May 31, 1991."

Amendment
of section
20 of the
principal
enactment.

3. Section 20 of the principal enactment is hereby amended in subsection (2) of that section, by the substitution, for the words and figures "in accordance with section 15 (4) or section 18", of the words and figures "in accordance with section 15 (4) or section 17A or section 18".

Amendment
of section
23 of the
principal
enactment.

4. Section 23 of the principal enactment is hereby amended in subsection (2) of that section as follows:—

(a) by the substitution, for the words and figures "section 15 or section 22", of the words and figures "section 15 or section 17A or section 22"; and

(b) by the substitution, for the words and figures "expunged from the register, under section 15 the", of the words and figures "expunged from the register under section 15 or section 17A the".

Sinhala
text to
prevail in
case of
inconsistency.

5. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.