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PART I: SECTION (I) — GENERAL

Government Notifications

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THE STATE INDUSTRIAL CORPORATIONS ACT, No. 49 OF 1957

Order under Section 3

BY virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 3 of the State Industrial Corporations Act, No. 49 of 1957, I, Mahinda Amaraweera, Minister of Wildlife and Forest Resources Conservation with the approval of the Government do, by this Order amend the Order made under Subsection (1) of Section 2 of the aforesaid Act and published in *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 14796 dated April 4, 1968, establishing the State Timber Corporation, as amended from time to time, by the repeal of the First Schedule thereto and the substitution therefor of the following, without prejudice anything previously done thereunder:—

"FIRST SCHEDULE

The purposes for which the said State Timber Corporation is constituted shall be:

- (1) extraction of timber from forests, conversion of such timber into sawn timber and finished products, sale of logs, sawn timber and finished products and construction of forest roads for the above purposes;
- (2) acquisition, construction and operation of logging units, saw mills, impregnation and preservation plants, seasoning and drying kilns and other necessary equipment and installations;
- (3) operation of timber and firewood sales depots;
- (4) manufacture and marketing of any by-products from timber;
- (5) import of timber;



- (6) afforestation, reforestation, scientific management of forests and forest plantations;
- (7) export of timber related finished and semi-finished products;
- (8) purchase of timber from private lands and sale at depots or waysides;
- (9) processing of forest related products;
- (10) import of cane;
- (11) identification and certification of local and imported timber species through sample testing;
- (12) conducting training programmes on timber industry related subjects and awarding certificates and organizing environmental awareness programmes;
- (13) planning and making investments to obtain the full potential of the lands and buildings owned by the Corporation;
- (14) export of furniture in which ebony timber has not been used as the main timber and has been used only for decorative purpose, under the approval of conservator General of Forests;
- (15) purchase and sale of wooden products, wooden furniture and wooden craft from private sector;
- (16) export of furniture under contracts entered into with business establishments having foreign showroom;
- (17) storage and sale of confiscated timber and timber products, in consideration of directives made by the Secretary to the Ministry of the Minister assigned the subject of Justice; and
- (18) storage and sale of non-confiscated timber and timber products offered by courts subject to such Orders made by such Courts.".

MAHINDA AMARAWEERA, Minister of Wildlife and Forest Resources Conservation.

Battaramulla, 12th January, 2023.

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