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PART IV (A) – PROVINCIAL COUNCILS

Provincial Councils Notifications

CENTRAL PROVINCE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

Resource Centre Draft Statute No. 01 of 2018 of the Central Provincial Council

I, do hereby notify to the General Public to express their views and suggestions regarding the above mentioned Draft Statute, to enact within the Central Province. It is hereby notified that the Draft Statute is to be tabled in the Central Provincial Council after 10 days of publication of this notification. If anyone have an intention to present any views and suggestions regarding the matters contained therein, it is hereby announced to forward them in written form within 10 days of this notification to the address given below.

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Law and Order, Local Government and Provincial Administration,
Manpower, Education, Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Lands,
Co-operative Development, Trade and Commerce, Food Supplies and
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CENTRAL PROVINCIAL COUNCIL**Resource Centre Statute No. 01 of 2018 of the Central Provincial Council****Introduction.**

A statute to provide for the establishment of a Resource Centre and make Consequential Provisions for the matters connected therewith or incidental thereto for the uplift of competencies and productivity of the Local Authorities in the Central Province, development of human resources targeting the Peoples' Representatives and the management staff of the local authorities, coordinating the matters related to access knowledge of information technology required by the local authorities and implementation of development measures related to the human resource of the other Government and private institutions thereto.

Be it enacted by the Provincial Council of the Central Province of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:–

Short title and date of functions.

1. This Statute may be cited as the Statute for the establishment of Central Province Resource Centre of Local Authorities No. 01 of 2018, hereinafter referred to as the Resource Centre and shall come into operation from the date of receiving the assent of the Governor of the Central Province.

PART I**Establishment of the Local Government Resource Centre**

2. This Resource Centre may be cited and known as the Local Government Resource Centre for the purpose of carrying out the objects and functions referred in this Statute.
3. Hereinafter referred Officer in charge of the Centre shall be the Director of the Centre and shall be appointed by the Governor with the recommendation of the Minister in charge and he shall be an officer of the Executive Grade in the approved cadre.
4. For the purpose of implementing the objects of the Centre, the Commissioner shall attach the working staff from the approved cadre of the Department staff.
5. The objects of the Centre shall be,

Objectives of the Centre.

- (1) To transfer the Local Authorities of Central Province the institutions providing productive and competent service to the public through the peoples representatives and the management staff of the local authorities empowering their knowledge, skills and attitudes.
- (2) To implement empowering programmes regarding Local Government making awareness of active participation of the public and peoples' organizations.
- (3) To develop the capacities of the Local Authorities through coordination and obtaining finance and technical contributions from the Government institutions, Provincial Council, national and international states, local and international Non Government Organizations, institutions, private sectors and individuals for the development of Local Government sector in the Province, according to the provisions of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.
- (4) To function as a sharing centre of knowledge related to the Local Government in the local authorities, Provincial, national and international levels.
- (5) To provide facilities on request from the external institutions on human resource development.

Powers of the Centre

6. The Centre shall have the powers to,

- (1) Control the staff of the Resource Centre of the Local Government Institutions.
 - (2) Regular maintenance of accounts of the Resource Centre of the Local Government Institutions.
 - (3) Presentation of all account reports of the Resource Centre of the Local Government Institutions.
 - (4) Acquiring assets and responding assets of the Resource Centre of the Local Government Institutions.
 - (5) Entering in to agreements among external bodies relating to the activities of the Resource Centre of the Local Government Institutions.
7. The Centre shall execute functions such as,
- (1) Provide technical knowledge and training on Information Technology to all Local Authorities, Assistant Commissioner's office and the Department of Local Government of the Central Province to practice the Information Technology at a maximum level.
 - (2) Organize and conduct various courses for the development of Local Government field in the Province.
 - (3) Collect information and implementation of decisions taken by the Board of Management.
 - (4) Create coordination between Management Committee and the Advisory Committee.
 - (5) Generate income sources through providing services and conducting training programmes.
 - (6) Levy of charges from the clients for the registration in the Resource Centre.
8. A Management Committee shall be established (hereinafter) referred to as the 'Committee') for controlling, operation and making supervision of the activities of the Centre. Management committee.
- (1) The Management Committee shall consist of the following officially nominated members:
 - (a) Secretary to the Ministry in charge or an officer nominated by him.
 - (b) Commissioner
 - (c) Assistant Commissioner of the Kandy, Matale and Nuwara Eliya Districts.
 - (d) Assistant Commissioner of Local Government (Departmental level)
 - (e) Director
9. The Secretary to the Ministry shall be the Chairman of the Committee. If the Secretary nominate an officer, then the Commissioner shall be the Chairman of the Committee and the Director shall be the Secretary of the Committee. Chairman and the Secretary to the Committee.
10. The Management Committee shall have the powers and functions to;
- (1) Make all administrative decisions to achieve its goals and preparation, implementation, feedback programmes and make supervisions of development plans of the Centre. Powers and functions of the Committee.
 - (2) Take all measures required for the development of the Centre.
 - (3) Decide the ways of utilizing funds to achieve the goals of the Centre.
 - (4) Seek advices from the Advisory Board when needed and function appropriate.

Meetings of the Committee.

11. The Committee shall meet at least once in two months.

Quorum of the Committee
Advisory Committee.

12. The quorum for any meeting shall be four members of the Management Committee.

13. (1) There shall be an Advisory Committee nominated by the Minister hereinafter referred to as the Advisory Committee to execute the duties of the Management Committee shall consist of members:

Officially nominated:

- (a) Chief Secretary to the Central Province.
- (b) Secretary to the Chief Ministry of the Central Province.
- (c) Commissioner of Local Government.

Nominated by the Minister in charge of Local Government subject:

- (a) One of the Mayors of the Municipal Council.
- (b) One of the Chairman of the Central Province.
- (c) Two Chairman of the Pradeshiya Sabha Councils representing Central Province Pradeshiya Sabha Councils.

(2) The Chief Secretary shall be the Chairman of the Committee and the Secretary to the Committee shall be the Secretary to the Ministry in charge of Local Government.

(3) The Advisory Board shall hold office for the three years.

(4) The membership falls vacant due to following situations.

- (a) Death of a member of the Advisory Committee, resignation of the post or abolishment of the post.
- (b) Any member holding membership in the Advisory Committee may be vacated any time from his office by prior notice in writing by the Minister.

Payment of remuneration.

14. The Chief Minister may determine the remuneration that may be paid to members of the Committee, authorized by the Governor.

Part - II

Finance and Account activities of the Resource Centre of the Local Government

Finance Activities.

15. (1) As per Orders of the Provincial Treasury, a separate account shall be maintained and there shall be credited the receipt to that account.

- (a) All such sums of money as may be voted from time to time by the Provincial Council for the use of the Centre.
- (b) All such sums of money as may be received from Government and Non Government organizations for the Purpose for Achieving the goals of this Statute.
- (c) All such sums of money contributions received from the Local Government Institutions.

- (d) All such sums of money collected and charged on performing duties of the Centre.
- (e) All such grants and contributions received by the centre.
- (2) The fund required for the performance of duties shall be utilized according to the decision of Management Committee. Other aids and grants.
- (3) The financial year shall be commenced from first day of the month January and ended in the Thirty first day of the month in December of the year. Financial Year.
- (4) The income and Expenditure Account, Balance Sheet and Annual Account Statement including all Transactions shall be prepared and the accounts reports shall be tabled to the Provincial Council by the Minister before the thirty first day of the month of March in every year. Account statements.
16. Activities and accounts of the Centre shall be audited by the Auditor General. Auditing.
17. The Centre shall be treated as a specified Centre scheduled under the Bribery Act and shall be act according to the provisions of the Act. Scheduled under Bribery Act Provisions.
18. (1) The Minister has the power to enact necessary regulations for the purpose of carrying out directions for achieving the objective of the Centre. Minister enact necessary regulations.
- (2) Every regulation to be formed, shall be published in the *Gazette* by the Minister and shall be tabled to the Provincial Council within one month of such publication in the *Gazette*.
- (3) Any rule not approved by the Provincial council shall not prejudice the validity of any activity previously done or any Proceedings commenceds commence thereunder and shall be treated null and void and such date of effective should be notified in the *Gazette*.
19. Contravening any of the provisions of this Statute is an offence and any person willfully obstruct any officer of the Centre in the performance of any of his function or in the exercise of any power vested on him under this Statute shall be guilty or an offence. When convicted in a court of Law having jurisdiction shall imposable a fine of Rupees no exceeding ten thousand or six month imprisonment or the fine and imprisonment. Guilty and offence.
20. In the event of any discrepancy arising between the Sinhala, English and Tamil texts of this Statute, the Sinhala text shall be deemed final. Interpretation.
21. In this Statute, unless the context otherwise require,
- The provincial Council means the Central Province Council.
- The Governor means the provincial Governor of Central Province.
- The Minister means the Minister in charge the subject of Local Government.
- The Secretary means the Secretary to the subject of the Ministry of Local Government of the Central Province.
- The Commissioner means the Commissioner of Local Government of the Central Province.
- The Department means the Department of Local Government of the Central Province.
- The Advisory Committee means the Advisory Committee of the Resource Centre.