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**COCONUT DEVELOPMENT (AMENDMENT)**

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**BILL**

**to amend the Coconut Development Act, No. 46 of 1971**

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*STATEMENT OF LEGAL EFFECT*

*Clause 2:* This clause amends section 2 of the Coconut Development Act, No. 46 of 1971 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal enactment”) in order to appoint a Working Director to the Board.

*Clause 3:* This clause inserts a new section 2A in the principal enactment to provide for the matters relating to the Working Director and is consequential to the amendment made by clause 2.

*Coconut Development (Amendment)*

L.D.—O. 28/2017

AN ACT TO AMEND THE COCONUT DEVELOPMENT  
ACT, No. 46 OF 1971

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

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Coconut Development Short title.  
(Amendment) Act, No. of 2019.

5      **2.** Section 2 of the Coconut Development Act, No. 46 Amendment  
of 1971 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal enactment”) of Section 2  
is hereby amended in subsection (1) of that section as 46 of 1971.  
follows:-

10      (1) by the substitution in paragraph (ix), for the words  
“the Board; and” of the words “the Board;”; and

(2) by the insertion immediately after paragraph (ix) of  
that subsection, of the following new paragraph:-

15      “(ixa) appoint a Working Director, in  
accordance with the provisions of section  
2A, who shall not be a member of the  
Board; and”.

**3.** The following new section is hereby inserted Insertion of  
immediately after section 2 of the principal enactment and new section  
shall have effect as section 2A of that enactment:- 2A in the  
principal  
enactment.

20      “Working      2A. (1) The Minister may appoint to any  
Director of      Board established under the provisions of  
a Board.      section 2 of this Act, a Working Director from  
among persons who have had wide experience  
in the area of coconut development.

(2) The Working Director shall-

(a) be a full time officer;

5                      (b) assist the Chairman in the  
                         promotion of the development  
                         of coconut cultivation and  
                         marketing; and

10                    (c) assist the Chairman in the  
                         administration, management  
                         and operation of the affairs of  
                         the Board including the co-  
                         ordination of the activities of  
                         the Board.

15                    (3) The Minister may remove the Working  
Director from office after assigning reasons  
therefor.

20                    (4) The term of office of the Working  
Director shall be for a period of three years  
from the date of appointment and he shall be  
eligible for reappointment unless has been  
removed from office as referred to in subsection  
(3). Such reappointment shall be for not more  
than one further term, whether consequent or  
not.

25                    (5) The office of the Working Director shall  
become vacant upon the death, removal from  
office under subsection (3) or resignation by  
letter in that behalf addressed to the Minister.

30                    (6) Where the Working Director by reason  
of ill health, infirmity or absence from Sri Lanka  
is temporarily unable to perform the duties of  
his office, the Minister shall appoint another  
member of the Board to act in his place.

(7) The Working Director shall be paid such remuneration as may be specified in the relevant Public Enterprise Circulars issued by the Ministry of Finance.” .

- 5      **4.** In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.
- Sinhala text to prevail in case of inconsistency.

