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### PART I: SECTION (I) — GENERAL

#### **Government Notifications**

L. D. B. 2/1976 (iv)

#### SRI LANKA TEA BOARD LAW No. 14 OF 1975

REGULATION made by the Sri Lanka Tea Board under Section 25 of the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law No. 14 of 1975 and approved by the Minister of Plantation.

JAYAMPATHY MOLLIGODA, Chairman, Sri Lanka Tea Board.

Colombo. 31st December, 2020.

#### REGULATION

The Sri Lanka Tea Board (Plantations, Estates and Smallholdings Development and Maintenance) Regulations, No. 3 of 2010, published in *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 1684/48 dated December 17, 2010, are hereby rescinded with effect from the date of publication of this *Gazette* without prejudice to anything done thereunder.

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L. D. B. 44/1957 (iii)

#### TEA CONTROL ACT, No. 51 OF 1957

REGULATIONS made by the Minister of Plantation under section 49 of the Tea Control Act, No. 51 of 1957 read with Sections 11A, 11B and 11C of that Act and approved by the Parliament of Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Dr. RAMESH PATHIRANA (M. P.)
Minister of Plantaion.

Colombo. 02nd March, 2021.

#### REGULATIONS

- 1. These Regulations may be cited as Tea Control (Estates and Smallholdings Development and Maintenance) Regulations No. 01 of 2021.
- 2. These Regulations shall apply to proprietors of estates and smallholdings involved in cultivation of Tea.
- 3. Every person to whom the provisions of regulations 2 apply and who is engaged in the cultivation of tea, shall develop, an estate or smallholding up to the required standard of production and management, which shall be determined from time to time by the Commissioner.
- 4. In determining whether and estate or smallholding is developed and maintained at the required standard of production and management, the Commissioner shall *inter alia*, take into consideration the following:-
  - (a) The quantity and quality of the tea produced therein;
  - (b) Whether Sufficient Fertilizer has been applied thereto, at the dosages and frequencies recommended by the Tea Research Board, in order to ensure a high yield;
  - (c) Whether re-planting with high yield varieties of approved clones by maintaining the recommended two per centum, (2%) annual norm has been undertaken thereon;
  - (d) the proper construction of drains and terraces, filling of vacancies, control of pests and diseases, removal of weeds, and planting of wind belts;
  - (e) Whether harvesting, leaf handling and leaf transportation are carried out in accordance with the Sri Lanka standard 1315: Part 1: 2007 of the Good Agricultural Practices for the cultivation of tea;
  - (f) The provision of suitable living accommodation for employees and the carrying out of repairs necessary to maintain them in proper condition;
  - (g) The Construction of roads, where necessary and maintaining them in good conditions.
  - (h) The diversification to other approved crops in areas which are unsuitable for cultivation of tea and identification of marginal lands for alternate crops;
  - (i) Assurance of good health status of workers, provision of medical assistance during illness, and injuries.
- 5. Registered Proprietors of estates and smallholdings shall maintain records in respect of the matters specified in regulation 4.

- 6. The Commissioner may issue directions from time to time to all such registered proprietors of estates and small holdings who shall comply with such directions.
- 7. The Commissioner may, where he is of the opinion, that estates and smallholdings, which have not been developed to or maintained at the required standard of production or management, require the proprietors in writing to effect such improvement or carry out such requirements.
- 8. The proprietors to whom the Commissioner issues a written communication in terms of the provisions of regulation 7, shall forthwith take necessary steps to comply with the required standard of production or management as the case may be.
- Any person aggrieved by any decision of the Commissioner under these regulations may within twenty-eight days of the communication of such decision, appeal in writing to the Minister to whom the subject of Plantation is assigned.
- 10. In these regulations -

"Commissioner", "Estate" and "Small Holding" shall have the same meaning assigned to them by the Tea Control Act, No. 51 of 1957.

"Sri Lanka Tea Research Board" means the Tea Research Board established under the Tea Research Board Act, No. 52 of 1993.

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L. D. B. 2/1976 (iv)		

#### SRI LANKA TEA BOARD LAW No. 14 OF 1975

REGULATION made by the Sri Lanka Tea Board under Section 25 of the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law No. 14 of 1975 and approved by the Minister of Plantation.

JAYAMPATHY MOLLIGODA, Chairman, Sri Lanka Tea Board.

Colombo.

31st December, 2020.

#### REGULATION

The Sri Lanka Tea Board (Quality standard of Green Leaf) Regulations, No. 2 of 2010, published in *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 1684/48 dated December 17, 2010, are hereby rescinded with effect from the date of publication of this *Gazette* without prejudice to anything done thereunder.

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L. D. B. 44/1957 (iii)

#### TEA CONTROL ACT, No. 51 OF 1957

REGULATIONS made by the Minister of Plantation under Section 49 read with Sections 11A, 11B, 11C and 17 of the Tea Control Act, No. 51 of 1957 and approved by Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Dr. RAMESH PATHIRANA (M. P.)
Minister of Plantaion.

Colombo. 02nd March, 2021.

#### REGULATIONS

- 1. These Regulations may be cited as Tea Control (Quality standard of Green Tea Leaf) Regulations No. 02 of 2021.
- These Regulations shall apply to all registered manufacturers of tea and licensed dealers of green tea leaf as raw material to tea factories.
- 3. Every such manufacture who operates a tea factory for the production of made tea shall -
  - (a) Ensure the procurement of a minimum of Sixty per centum (60%) of green tea leaf in conformity with the quality standard determined by the Commissioner for use in the manufacture of tea; and
  - (b) ensure that the green tea leaf so procured for manufacture shall not be damaged due to post harvest operations of suppliers of such green tea leaf.
- 4. Every such licensed dealers of green tea leaf shall -
  - (a) Endeavor to supply a minimum of Sixty per centum (60%) of green tea leaf in conformity with the quality standard determined by the Commissioner, to be used for the manufacture of tea; and
  - (b) Take measures to ensure the handling and transportation of green tea leaf to the factory is done without damages to the green tea leaf.
- 5. Every such manufacturer shall make arrangements to procure a minimum of Sixty per centum (60%) quality standard green tea leaf through licensed dealers and shall initiate a proper mechanism to ensure continuous supply of undamaged green tea leaf.
- 6. Every such manufacturer who operates a tea factory for the production of made tea and every licensed dealer who supplies green tea leaf to such factory shall utilize containers approved by the Commissioner for transportation of green tea leaf from farm gate to tea factory.
- 7. All tea factories, which are owned and managed by registered manufactures of tea and licensed dealers of green tea leaf shall comply with such directions as may be issued by the Commissioner from time to time shall also maintain such records as are required by the Commissioner.
- 8. Any person aggrieved by any decision of the Commissioner under these regulations may within twenty-eight days of the communication of such decision, appeal in writing to the Minister to whom the subject of Plantation is assigned.
- 9. In these regulations "Commissioner", "green tea leaf", "made tea", "manufacturer", "proprietor", "tea factory" and "licensed dealer" shall have the same meaning assigned to them by the Tea Control Act, No. 51 of 1957.

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