



**PARLIAMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC  
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF  
SRI LANKA**

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**BIRTHS AND DEATHS REGISTRATION  
(AMENDMENT)**

**A**

**BILL**

**to amend the Births and Deaths Registration Act (Chapter 110)**

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*Presented by the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and  
Religious Affairs on 08th March, 2013*

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*STATEMENT OF LEGAL EFFECT*

The amendments made to sections 24,27,27A, 28, 36, 52 and 61 of the Births and Deaths Registration Act (Chapter 110) by clauses 2,3,4,5,6,7,8, of this Act revises the fees payable and specifies the mode of payment.

*Births and Deaths Registration (Amendment)*

L.D.—O. 17/2013

AN ACT TO AMEND THE BIRTHS AND DEATHS REGISTRATION ACT  
(CHAPTER 110)

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Births and deaths  
Registration (Amendment) Act, No.      of 2013 and shall be  
5 deemed to have come into operation from January 1, 2013.
2. Section 24 of the Births and Deaths registration Act,  
(Chapter 110) (hereinafter referred to as the “principal  
enactment”) is hereby amended in subsection (2) of that  
section, by the substitution for all the words from “every  
10 such declaration shall” to the words “the stamps shall be  
supplied by the declarant” of the words “every such  
declaration shall be accompanied by a fee of rupees fifty or  
such other amount as may be prescribed by the Minister,  
which shall be paid by the declarant.”
- 15 3. Section 27 of the principal enactment is hereby  
amended in subsection (2) of that section by the substitution  
in paragraph (b) from the words “and bearing a stamp,” to the  
words “two years have so elapsed.” of the words “together  
with a fee of rupees fifty or such other amount as may be  
20 prescribed by the Minister, which shall be paid by the  
applicant.”
4. Section 27A of the principal enactment is hereby  
amended in subsection (2) of that section by the substitution  
for the words “shall bear a stamp of the value of five rupees  
25 supplied” of the words “together with a fee of rupees fifty to  
be paid”.
- Short title  
and date of  
operation.
- Amendment  
of section 24  
of the Births  
and deaths  
Registration  
Act (Chapter  
110)
- Amendment  
of section 27  
of the  
principal  
enactment.
- Amendment  
of section  
27A of the  
principal  
enactment.

2      *Births and Deaths Registration (Amendment)*

5. Section 28 of the principal enactment is hereby amended by the repeal of subsection (2) of that section and the substitution therefor of the following:—

Amendment  
of section 28  
of the  
principal  
enactment.

5      “(2) Every application made under subsection (1) shall be accompanied by a fee of rupees five or such other amount as may be prescribed by the Minister, which shall be paid by the applicant.”.

6. Section 36 of the principal enactment is hereby amended in subsection (2) by the substitution for all the words from “Every such declaration shall” to the words “The stamp shall be supplied by the declarant.” of the words “ Every such declaration shall be accompanied by a fee of rupees fifty or such other amount as may be prescribed by the Minister which shall be paid by the declarant.”.

Amendment  
of section 36  
of the  
principal  
enactment.

15      7. Section 52 of the principal enactment is hereby amended in subsection (3) of that section by the substitution in paragraph (c) of that subsection, for the words “bear a stamp of the value of one rupee”, of the words “be accompanied by a fee of rupees fifty or such other amount as may be prescribed by the Minister,”.

Amendment  
of section 52  
of the  
principal  
enactment.

8. Section 61 of the principal enactment is hereby amended:—

Amendment  
of section 61  
of the  
principal  
enactment.

25      (1) In subsection (1) of that section by the substitution for all the words from “and the amount of the stamp duty in respect of” to the words “ or shall be paid to the” of the words “ and the amount of fees in respect of such declaration payable under this Act shall be transmitted to the Registrar General or appropriate District Registrar, or shall pay to the”;

30      (2) In subsection (2) of that section by the substitution for the words “a stamp of the proper value.” of the words “ a receipt of payment of the proper value.”.

9. Any fees charged or collected by or on behalf of the Registrar- General or any person authorised under this Act, for any purpose authorized by this Act to charge or collect, from January 1, 2013 and ending on March 31, 2013, shall  
5 be deemed to have been validly charged or collected by the Registrar- General or by any such person authorised under this Act:

Validation  
and  
indemnity

Provided that the aforesaid provisions of this section shall not affect any decision or order made by any Court or any  
10 proceedings pending in any Court in respect of any fee charged or collected during the aforesaid period.

10. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and tamil text of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

Sinhala text  
to prevail in  
case of  
inconsistency.

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