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PART IV (A) — PROVINCIAL COUNCILS

Provincial Councils Notifications

WESTERN PROVINCE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

The revised Statute of the Western Provincial Agro Services Authority is attached herewith.

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Minister of Agriculture, Land, Irrigation,
Fisheries, Animal Product & Health,
and Agrarian Development of the Western Province.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Land, Irrigation, Fisheries,
Animal Product & Health and Agrarian Development
of the Western Province Provincial Council,
Sir Marcus Fernando Mawatha,
Colombo 07,
20th June 2018.

Agro Services Authority (Amendment) Statute of Western Province No.... of 2018

A Statute to amend the Agro Services Authority Statute of Western Province No. 01 of 2012.

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

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| Short Title and
Date of
Enforcement | 1. This statute shall be cited as Agro Services Amendment Authority Statute of Western Province Provincial Council No.... of 2018 and it will be enforced from the date of assent of Hon. Governor of Western Province. |
| Amending
Section 3 | 2. Having removed Section 03 of the Agro Services Authority Statute No. 01 of 2012 which shall be cited hereinafter as the Main Statute, and by substituting the following section instead, that Section will be amended hereby. |

Providing facilities to improve the economy of farmer community of the province through agricultural development, providing the required knowledge, modern technology and support services to cultivate lands efficiently would be the objective of the Authority.



Amending
Section 4

3. Sub section (2) of Section 4 in the Main Statute shall be removed hereby and by substituting the following Sub section instead, that Section shall be amended hereby.

(2) The Management Board shall comprise the following mentioned seven members.

(a) The following mentioned four members shall be appointed ex-officio.

- I. Secretary to the Ministry in charge of the subject or his representative ;
- II. Provincial Director of Agriculture ;
- III. Provincial Director of Irrigation ;
- IV. Deputy Chief Secretary (Finance) ;

(b) The following members appointed by the Provincial Minister in Charge of the subject (hereinafter referred to as "Appointed Members")

- I. A person from the agriculture sector with practical experience ;
- II. A person excelled either in the subject of Environmental Science or Environmental Protection ;
- III. A person with knowledge on marketing of agricultural products.

Amending
Section 6

4. Sub section (8) of Section 6 of the Main Statute shall be removed hereby and that Section will be amended hereby by inserting the following Sub section instead.

(8) Chief Executive Officer or other suitable officer may be appointed as the Secretary of the Management Board.

Amending
Section 8

5. Immediately after sub section (12) of Section 8 of the Main Statute, the following Sub sections will be inserted and they shall be enforced as Sections (13), (14), (15), (16), (17), (18), (19) respectively.

(13) Encouraging the community to cultivate cultivatable land plots which have not been cultivated.

(14) Making available space to uplift the living conditions of the community through provision of knowledge, inputs, skills and assistance for subsistence crops or commercial crops, or crops or cultivations that are important in terms of environmental science.

(15) Providing technical assistance and training on selection of crops, preparation of nurseries, and distribution of seeds and method of cultivation.

(16) Encouraging and promoting environmental friendly cultivation.

(17) Providing agricultural technological services on commercial basis.

(18) Providing financial facilities for agricultural commercial entrepreneurs.

(19) Providing the necessary assistance to programs implemented by the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture.

Amending
Section 9

6. Section 9 of the Main Statute will be amended hereby as follows.

(1) By removing Sub-section (5) of Section 9 in the Main Statute and by substituting the below mentioned Sub-section ;

(5) Prescribing allowances and remunerations as per provisions issued from time to time by the Provincial Authority, ordering specific Rules of Procedures and Disciplinary Procedures relevant to service regulations and conditions, regulations

pertaining to financial control of the Authority's Fund to be ordered by the regulations made under this statute.

However, the Disciplinary Procedure adopted for officers of Western Provincial Public Service and Financial Rules of Western Province shall be adopted to required level respectively until the Authority formulates disciplinary procedures for the control of Authority's officers and with regard to financial control of Authority's Fund.

and ;

(2) By inserting the following Sub-section as Section 9(11) immediately after Sub-section 9 (10)

(11) All the powers required for accomplishment of objectives under this statute.

7. Sub-section (1) of Section 11 of the Main Statute is removed hereby and by substituting the following stated Sub-section instead, that Section shall be amended hereby. Amending
Section 11

(1) There shall be a Chief Executive Officer for the Authority and the Director shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Authority. The Authority's Director shall be appointed by the Secretary to the Ministry according to the Recruitment Procedure.

8. Section 12 of the Main Statute will be amended by removing it. Removal
Section 12

9. Section 16 of the Main Statute shall be amended hereby after removing Section 16 and substituting the following section instead. Amending
Section 16

All the officers and employees of the Authority shall be considered as Public Service Officers and employees with regard to provisions of the Penal Code, the Authority shall be considered as a scheduled institute as interpreted by the Bribery Act wherein provisions of the said Act shall be applicable.

10. Having removed the words "Provincial Council means the Western Provincial Council" in Section 17 of the Main Statute and by substituting "Provincial Council means the Western Province Provincial Council" instead, that section is amended hereby. Amending
Section 17