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### Government Notifications

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#### MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS ACT, No. 25 OF 2002

##### Order under Section 2

BY virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 2 of the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act, No. 25 of 2002, I, Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe, Minister of Justice, Prison Affairs and Constitutional Reforms, do by this Order declare that the provisions of the aforesaid Act, shall apply in respect of the countries that are Parties to the BIMSTEC (Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation) Convention on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. This Convention which was signed between the countries specified in the Schedule hereto was entered into to provide mutual legal assistance in criminal matters. The Convention concerns *inter alia* the improved effective cooperation in relation to the prevention, investigation, prosecution and suppression of crimes, including crimes relating to terrorism, transnational organized crime, drug trafficking, money laundering and cybercrimes and the taking of measures to locate, restrain, forfeit, freeze or confiscate funds intended to be used for the financing of such crimes and of any proceeds of crime and instruments of crime, was made in Colombo on the thirtieth day of March Two Thousand and Twenty Two.

**DR. WIJEYADASA RAJAPAKSHE, P. C.,**  
Minister of Justice, Prison Affairs  
and Constitutional Reforms.

Colombo,  
07th October, 2022.



## SCHEDULE

1. Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka
2. Kingdom of Bhutan
3. Kingdom of Thailand
4. Nepal
5. People's Republic of Bangladesh
6. Republic of India
7. Republic of the Union of Myanmar

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