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AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE CALLING OF FRESH NOMINATIONS AND THE HOLDING OF ELECTIONS IN RESPECT OF CERTAIN LOCAL AUTHORITIES WHERE THE ELECTIONS OF SUCH LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN CALLED AND POSTPONED; AND TO PROVIDE FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH OF INCIDENTAL THERETO.

WHEREAS notices of nominations were published under section 26 of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262), that nomination papers will be received in respect of elections to the Local Authorities set out in the Schedule hereto:

Preamble

AND WHEREAS March 9, 2023 was fixed for the holding of elections for the aforesaid Local Authorities :

AND WHEREAS the said elections were not conducted on such date:

AND WHEREAS the submission of nominations for the aforesaid local authorities was concluded in January 2023 and it has become necessary to provide for those who have registered in the register of electors in the year 2024 as new voters, who would otherwise be deprived of their right to vote at the new date of polls fixed and their right to submit nomination papers for the elections for the aforesaid Local Authorities set out in the Schedule hereto:

AND WHEREAS the local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Act, No. 30 of 2023 has come into operation on November 17, 2023 and it has become necessary to provide for the nominations by the youth candidates in accordance with the provisions relating to the nomination of youth candidates under section 28 of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance, (Chapter 262), when holding fresh elections in respect of such Local Authorities set out in the Schedule hereto:

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AND WHEREAS due to the period of time that has elapsed since the submission of nominations in respect of such Local Authorities set out in the Schedule hereto, it has become necessary to provide for the calling of fresh nominations and to make provisions for the holding of fresh elections in respect of such Local Authorities set out in the Schedule hereto:

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

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Local Authorities Elections (Special Provisions) Act, No. 1 of 2025.

Provisions relating
to nominations,
notices and deposits
in respect of
elections to certain
Local Authorities

2. (1) Nomination papers submitted for the Local Authorities elections due to be held on March 9, 2023 under section 28 of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262) (hereinafter referred to as the “Ordinance”) in respect of the Local Authorities set out in the Schedule hereto in response to the notices of nominations published under section 26 of the Ordinance are hereby deemed to be of no force and effect as if such nomination papers had never been submitted.

(2) The notices published under subsection (1) of section 38 of the Ordinance, in respect of elections to the Local Authorities set out in the Schedule hereto are hereby revoked.

(3) Deposits made under section 29 of the Ordinance in respect of candidates nominated by any recognized political party or an independent group for elections to the Local Authorities set out in the Schedule hereto, shall notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section 30 of the Ordinance, be refunded to the person by whom the deposit was made, on the production by such person, of the receipt issued to such person under subsection (3) of section 29 of the Ordinance.

3. Steps shall be commenced under the provisions of the Ordinance for the holding of elections to the Local Authorities set out in the Schedule hereto:

Steps to be commenced for holding of elections

Provided that, the notices of nominations in terms of section 26 of the Ordinance shall be published on such date as the Election Commission may determine by Order published in the *Gazette* and such date shall however, be a date not later than three months from the date of coming into operation of this Act.

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

SCHEDULE

District	Local Authority
(01) Colombo	1 Colombo Municipal Council
	2 Dehiwala - Mt. Lavinia Municipal Council
	3 Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte Municipal Council
	4 Kaduwela Municipal Council
	5 Moratuwa Municipal Council
	6 Kollonnawa Urban Council
	7 Seethawakapura Urban Council
	8 Maharagama Urban Council
	9 Kesbewa Urban Council
	10 Boralesgamuwa Urban Council
	11 Kotikawatta Mulleriyawa Pradeshiya Sabha
	12 Seethawaka Pradeshiya Sabha
	13 Homagama Pradeshiya Sabha

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District		Local Authority
(02) Gampaha	1	Negombo Municipal Council
	2	Gampaha Municipal Council
	3	Wattala - Mabola Urban Council
	4	Katunayaka - Seeduwa Urban Council
	5	Minuwangoda Urban Council
	6	Ja - Ela Urban Council
	7	Peliyagoda Urban Council
	8	Wattala Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Katana Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Divulapitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Mirigama Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Minuwangoda Pradeshiya Sabha
	13	Attanagalla Pradeshiya Sabha
	14	Gampaha Pradeshiya Sabha
	15	Ja-Ela Pradeshiya Sabha
	16	Mahara Pradeshiya Sabha
	17	Dompe Pradeshiya Sabha
	18	Biyagama Pradeshiya Sabha
	19	Kelaniya Pradeshiya Sabha
(03) Kalutara	1	Panadura Urban Council
	2	Horana Urban Council
	3	Kalutara Municipal Council
	4	Beruwalla Urban Council
	5	Panadura Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Bandaragama Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Horana Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Madurawala Pradeshiya Sabha

District		Local Authority
(03) Kalutara	9	Bulathsinhala Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Mathugama Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Dodangoda Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Kalutara Pradeshiya Sabha
	13	Beruwala Pradeshiya Sabha
	14	Palindanuwara Pradeshiya Sabha
	15	Agalawaththa Pradeshiya Sabha
	16	Walallawita Pradeshiya Sabha
	17	Millaniya Pradeshiya Sabha
(04) Kandy	1	Kandy Municipal Council
	2	Wattegama Urban Council
	3	Kadugannawa Urban Council
	4	Gampola Urban Council
	5	Nawalapitiya Urban Council
	6	Thumpane Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Harispattuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Akurana Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Poojapitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Pathadumbara Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Panwila Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Udadumbara Pradeshiya Sabha
	13	Minipe Pradeshiya Sabha
	14	Medadumbara Pradeshiya Sabha
	15	Kundasale Pradeshiya Sabha
	16	Pathahewaheta Pradeshiya Sabha
	17	Kandy Gravets and Gangawata Korale Pradeshiya Sabha

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District	Local Authority
(04) Kandy	18 Yatinuwara Pradeshiya Sabha
	19 Udunuwara Pradeshiya Sabha
	20 Udalalatha Pradeshiya Sabha
	21 Ganga Ihala Korale Pradeshiya Sabha
	22 Pasbage Korale Pradeshiya Sabha
(05) Matale	1 Dambulla Municipal Council
	2 Matale Municipal Council
	3 Pallepola Pradeshiya Sabha
	4 Galewela Pradeshiya Sabha
	5 Dambulla Pradeshiya Sabha
	6 Ambanganga Korale Pradeshiya Sabha
	7 Naula Pradeshiya Sabha
	8 Laggala Pallegama Pradeshiya Sabha
	9 Wilgamuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	10 Matale Pradeshiya Sabha
	11 Yatawatta Pradeshiya Sabha
	12 Ukuwela Pradeshiya Sabha
	13 Rathgota Pradeshiya Sabha
(06) Nuwara Eliya	1 Nuwara Eliya Municipal Council
	2 Hatton - Dickoya Urban Council
	3 Thalawakele Lindula Urban Council
	4 Maskeliya Pradeshiya Sabha
	5 Norwood Pradeshiya Sabha

District		Local Authority
(06) Nuwara Eliya	6	Ambagamuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Agarapathana Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Kotagala Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Nuwareliya Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Kothmale Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Hanguranketha Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Walapane Pradeshiya Sabha
(07) Galle	1	Galle Municipal Council
	2	Ambalangoda Urban Council
	3	Hikkaduwa Urban Council
	4	Balapitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Ambalangoda Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Welivitiya - Divithura Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Karandeniya Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Bentota Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Neluwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Thawalama Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Nagoda Pradeshiya Sabha
	13	Niyagama Pradeshiya Sabha
	14	Baddegama Pradeshiya Sabha
	15	Yakkalamulla Pradeshiya Sabha
	16	Rajgama Pradeshiya Sabha
	17	Akmeemana Pradeshiya Sabha
	18	Bope Poddala Pradeshiya Sabha
	19	Imaduwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	20	Habaraduwa Pradeshiya Sabha

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District	Local Authority
(08) Matara	1 Matara Municipal Council
	2 Weligama Urban Council
	3 Pitabeddara Pradeshiya Sabha
	4 Kotapola Pradeshiya Sabha
	5 Kirinda Puhulwella Pradeshiya Sabha
	6 Mulatiyana Pradeshiya Sabha
	7 Pasgoda Pradeshiya Sabha
	8 Athuraliya Pradeshiya Sabha
	9 Akuressa Pradeshiya Sabha
	10 Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha
	11 Hakmana Pradeshiya Sabha
	12 Kamburupitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	13 Thihagoda Pradeshiya Sabha
	14 Devinuwara Pradeshiya Sabha
	15 Dikwella Pradeshiya Sabha
	16 Matara Pradeshiya Sabha
	17 Weligama Pradeshiya Sabha
(09) Hambantota	1 Hambantota Municipal Council
	2 Tangalle Urban Council
	3 Weeraketiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	4 Katuwana Pradeshiya Sabha
	5 Beliatta Pradeshiya Sabha
	6 Tangalle Pradeshiya Sabha
	7 Angunakolapelessa Pradeshiya Sabha
	8 Ambalantota Pradeshiya Sabha
	9 Tissamaharama Pradeshiya Sabha
	10 Sooriyawewa Pradeshiya Sabha

District		Local Authority
(09) Hambantota	11	Hambantota Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Lunugamvehera Pradeshiya Sabha
(10) Jaffna	1	Jaffna Municipal Council
	2	Valvettithurai Urban Council
	3	Point Pedro Urban Council
	4	Chavakachcheri Urban Council
	5	Karainagar Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Kayts Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Delft Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Velanai Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Walikamam West Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Walikamam North Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Walikamam South West Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Walikamam South Pradeshiya Sabha
	13	Walikamam East Pradeshiya Sabha
	14	Vadamarachchi South West Pradeshiya Sabha
	15	Point Pedro Pradeshiya Sabha
	16	Chawakachcheri Pradeshiya Sabha
	17	Nallur Pradeshiya Sabha
(11) Kilinochchi	1	Pachchilaipalli Pradeshiya Sabha
	2	Karachchi Pradeshiya Sabha
	3	Punakari Pradeshiya Sabha
(12) Mannar	1	Mannar Urban Council
	2	Mannar Pradeshiya Sabha
	3	Nanattan Pradeshiya Sabha

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District		Local Authority
(12) Mannar	4	Musali Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Manthai West Pradeshiya Sabha
(13) Vavuniya	1	Vavuniya Municipal Council
	2	Vavuniya North Pradeshiya Sabha
	3	Vengalasettikulam Pradeshiya Sabha
	4	Vavuniya South Tamil Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Vavuniya South Sinhala Pradeshiya Sabha
(14) Mullaitivu	1	Manthai East Pradeshiya Sabha
	2	Thunukkai Pradeshiya Sabha
	3	Pudukudirippu Pradeshiya Sabha
	4	Maritimepattu Pradeshiya Sabha
(15) Batticaloa	1	Batticaloa Municipal Council
	2	Eravur Urban Council
	3	Karthankudy Urban Council
	4	Koralaipattu West Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Eravur Pattu Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Koralaipattu Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Koralaipattu North Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Manmunai South and Eruvil Pattu Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Manmunai Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Manmunai West Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Manmunai South West Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Porathivu Pattu Pradeshiya Sabha
(16) Ampara	1	Akkaripattu Municipal Council
	2	Ampara Urban Council
	3	Dehiattakandiya Pradeshiya Sabha

District		Local Authority
(16) Ampara	4	Damana Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Uhana Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Mahaoya Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Namaloya Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Padiyathalawa Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Navithanveli Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Sammanthurai Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Irakkamam Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Akkaraipattu Pradeshiya Sabha
	13	Pothuvil Pradeshiya Sabha
	14	Addalaichenai Pradeshiya Sabha
	15	Alayadivembu Pradeshiya Sabha
	16	Lahugala Pradeshiya Sabha
	17	Karaithivu Pradeshiya Sabha
	18	Ninthavur Pradeshiya Sabha
	19	Thirukkivil Pradeshiya Sabha
(17) Trincomalee	1	Trincomalee Municipal Council
	2	Kinniya Urban Council
	3	Verugal Pradeshiya Sabha
	4	Seruwila Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Kantale Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Morawewa Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Gomarankadawala Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Padavi Sri Pura Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Trincomalee Town and Gravets Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Kuchchaveli Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Thambalagamuwa Pradeshiya Sabha

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District		Local Authority
(17) Trincomalee	12	Muththur Pradeshiya Sabha
	13	Kinniya Pradeshiya Sabha
(18) Kurunegala	1	Kurunegala Municipal Council
	2	Kuliyapitiya Urban Council
	3	Giribawa Pradeshiya Sabha
	4	Galgamuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Polpithigama Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Nikaweratiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Kobeigane Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Mahawa Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Ibbagamuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Wariyapola Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Panduwasnuwara Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha
	13	Udubaddawa Pradeshiya Sabha
	14	Pannala Pradeshiya Sabha
	15	Kuliyapitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	16	Alawwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	17	Narammala Pradeshiya Sabha
	18	Polgahawela Pradeshiya Sabha
	19	Kurunegala Pradeshiya Sabha
	20	Mawathagama Pradeshiya Sabha
	21	Ridigama Pradeshiya Sabha
(19) Puttalam	1	Puttalam Municipal Council
	2	Chilaw Urban Council
	3	Kalpitiya Pradeshiya Sabha

District		Local Authority
(19) Puttalam	4	Puttalam Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Wanathawilluwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Karuwalagaswewa Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Nawagattegama Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Anamadua Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Arachchikattuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Chillaw Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Naththandiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Wennappuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
(20) Anuradhapura	1	Anuradhapura Municipal Council
	2	Medawachchiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	3	Rambewa Pradeshiya Sabha
	4	Kebithigollewa Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Padaviya Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Kahatagasdigiliya Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Horowpothana Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Galenbindunuwewa Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Thalawa Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Nuwaragam Palatha East Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Nuwaragam Palatha Central Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Nochchiyagama Pradeshiya Sabha
	13	Rajanganaya Pradeshiya Sabha
	14	Galnewa Pradeshiya Sabha
	15	Ipalagama Pradeshiya Sabha
	16	Mihintale Pradeshiya Sabha
	17	Thirappane Pradeshiya Sabha
	18	Kekirawa Pradeshiya Sabha
	19	Palagala Pradeshiya Sabha

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District	Local Authority
(21) Polonnaruwa	1 Polonnaruwa Municipal Council
	2 Elahera Pradeshiya Sabha
	3 Hingurakgoda Pradeshiya Sabha
	4 Medirigiriya Pradeshiya Sabha
	5 Lankapura Pradeshiya Sabha
	6 Welikanda Pradeshiya Sabha
	7 Dimbulagala Pradeshiya Sabha
	8 Polonnaruwa Pradeshiya Sabha
(22) Badulla	1 Badulla Municipal Council
	2 Bandarawela Municipal Council
	3 Haputale Urban Council
	4 Mahiyanganaya Pradeshiya Sabha
	5 Rideemaliyadda Pradeshiya Sabha
	6 Soranathota Pradeshiya Sabha
	7 Meegahakivula Pradeshiya Sabha
	8 Kandaketiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	9 Passara Pradeshiya Sabha
	10 Lunugala Pradeshiya Sabha
	11 Badulla Pradeshiya Sabha
	12 Hali Ela Pradeshiya Sabha
	13 Uva Paranagama Pradeshiya Sabha
	14 Welimada Pradeshiya Sabha
	15 Bandarawela Pradeshiya Sabha
	16 Ella Pradeshiya Sabha
	17 Haputale Pradeshiya Sabha
	18 Haldummulla Pradeshiya Sabha

District		Local Authority
(23) Moneragala	1	Bibila Pradeshiya Sabha
	2	Medagama Pradeshiya Sabha
	3	Madulla Pradeshiya Sabha
	4	Siyambalanduwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Monaragala Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Badalkumbura Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Buttala Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Kataragama Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Wellawaya Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Thanamalvila Pradeshiya Sabha
(24) Rathnapura	1	Ratnapura Municipal Council
	2	Balangoda Urban Council
	3	Embilipitiya Urban Council
	4	Eheliyagoda Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Ratnapura Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Kuruwita Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Pelmadulla Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Balangoda Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Imbulpe Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Godakawela Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Kahawatta Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Weligepola Pradeshiya Sabha
	13	Nivithigala Pradeshiya Sabha
	14	Ayagama Pradeshiya Sabha
	15	Kalawana Pradeshiya Sabha
	16	Embilipitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	17	Kolonna Pradeshiya Sabha

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District		Local Authority
(25) Kegalle	1	Kegalle Municipal Council
	2	Warakapola Pradeshiya Sabha
	3	Galigamuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
	4	Kegalle Pradeshiya Sabha
	5	Rambukkana Pradeshiya Sabha
	6	Mawanella Pradeshiya Sabha
	7	Aranayaka Pradeshiya Sabha
	8	Yatiantotoa Pradeshiya Sabha
	9	Bulathkohupitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
	10	Ruwanwella Pradeshiya Sabha
	11	Deraniyagala Pradeshiya Sabha
	12	Dehiowita Pradeshiya Sabha

