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Provincial Councils Notifications

SOUTHERN PROVINCE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

Draft Statute No. of 2013 Pawn Brokers of the Southern Province Provincial Council

I, Gustingna Wadu Shan Vijayalal De Silva Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Plan Implementation, Law and Order, Transport, Water Supply & Drainage, Power, Engineering Services, Health & Indigenous Medicine and Local Government of Southern Province, hereby notify that the following Pawn Brokers Draft Statute, No. of 2013 of the Southern Province Provincial Council will be presented to the Southern Province Provincial Council after two weeks of the publication of this notice in the *Gazette*. If anyone wishes to make any representations regarding this statute, they should be forwarded to me within two weeks of the publication of this notice.

GUSTINGNA WADU SHAN VIJAYALAL DE SILVA,
Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Plan Implementation,
Law and Order, Transport, Water Supply & Drainage, Power,
Engineering, Health & Indigenous Medicine and Local Government.

Chief Minister's Office,
Upper Dickson Road,
Galle.
24th April, 2013.

A STATUTE TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF THE BUSINESS OF PAWNBROKERS, WHICH IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE PAWN BROKERS ORDINANCE No. 31 OF 1942 AND FOR OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREIN AN INCIDENTAL THERETO

Short title and date of operation. 1. This statute may be cited as the Southern Provincial Pawnbrokers Statute No. of 2013 and shall come into operation on such date as the Governor of the Southern Province may give his assent;

PART I

Duties of Pawnbrokers

Certain persons prohibited from carrying on the business of a pawnbroker. 2. No. persons shall carry on the business of a pawnbroker an appointed date if such person -
(i) is an individual who is not a citizen of Sri Lanka; *or*
(ii) is a foreign company; *or*
(iii) is a foreign firm

and accordingly any licence to carry on such business which was issued to any such individual, foreign company or foreign firm and was in force on the day immediately prior to the appointed due date shall, on and after the said date, be deemed, for all purposes, to be null and void.

Pawnbroker's licence 3. (1) No person shall carry on the business of a pawnbroker unless he is the holder of a licence issued in respect of every shop or branch and issued separately for each shop or branch by the Chief Secretary.
(2) Every licence issued under this section shall be in the Form A set out in the First Schedule.
(3) Every licence shall be dated on the day of which it is issued, and shall expire on the thirty-first day of December next ensuing.

Transfer of business without prior approval Chief Secretary 4. The holder of a licence issued under Section 3 shall not transfer the business to which such licence relates to any other person without the prior approval in writing of the Chief Secretary.

Copies of licence to be sent to Superintendents of Police. 5. The Chief Secretary shall forward a copy of each licence issued under Section 3 to the Superintendent of Police of the district within which the business to which such licence relates, is carried on.

Application for licence 6. (1) Every person desirous of obtaining a licence for carrying on the business of a pawnbroker shall make application in that behalf to the Chief Secretary.

- (2) Every application for a licence shall be accompanied by a prescribed fee.
- (3) The Minister in charge the subject of Finance may decide the licence fee by a notification published in the *Gazette* from time to time.
- (4) If a pawnbroker, who is carrying on business of pawnbroker fails to renew licence annually on due date shall be charged of a late fee at the rate of 10% of the licence fee for every month the business was carried on without a licence.
- (5) The applicant shall produce an affidavit stating that he has not engaged in any unlawful or illegal act.
7. No licence for carrying on the business of a pawnbroker shall be issued to any person who is prohibited from carrying on such business by virtue of the operation of the provisions of Section 2, and accordingly any such license issued to any such person, whether by inadvertence or otherwise, shall be deemed for all purposes to be null and void. Issue of licences to certain persons prohibited.
8. (1) No licence for carrying on the business of a pawnbroker shall be issued to any person if- Refusal of licence.
 - (a) at any time during the five years immediately preceding the date on which he makes his application for such licence, he has been found guilty of any act rendered punishable under Chapter XI, XIII, XVII or XVIII of the Penal Code, or under the provisions of this Statute; or
 - (b) he fails to submit annual statement of accounts under Section 46(2).
9. Where the holder of a licence issued under Section 3 makes an application for a renewal of such licence, the Licensing officer may refuse to renew such licence, if he is of an opinion that such holder has during any period preceding such application, and in relation to his business as a pawnbroker, dealt in practices which are contrary to the provisions of this statute. That person shall be informed in writing of the reason for such refusal within 30 days. Renewal of licence.
10. (1) Any person who is dissatisfied with any decision relating to the issued licence being cancelled or refusal of renewal may appeal within thirty days to the Appeal Board against such decision. Appeal
 - (2) The Appeal Panel shall consist of two retired judicial officers appointed by the Convener.
11. No licence for carrying on the business of a pawnbroker shall be issued to any person unless he furnishes security in cash of Rupees 10,000 as may be ordered by the Chief Secretary. Security to be furnished before licence is issued.
12. Every pawnbroker who intends to be absent from Sri Lanka for any period exceeding three months shall- Notice of pawnbroker's absence from Sri Lanka.
 - (a) give written notice of his intention to the Chief Secretary; and
 - (b) appoint a person (being a person entitled under this Ordinance to a licence for carrying on the business of a pawnbroker) to act for him and on his behalf during his absence from Sri Lanka, and give to the Chief Secretary, written notice of the name of the person so appointed.
13. No pawnbroker shall take any article on pawn before 8 a.m. or after 8 p.m. on any day. Hours of business.
14. No pawnbroker shall act as or carry on the business of an auctioneer. Pawnbroker not to act as auctioneer.
15. Every pawnbroker shall - Notices & c., to be exhibited by pawnbrokers.
 - (a) always keep exhibited in large characters over the outer door of his shop or place of business his name with the word "Pawnbroker" in Sinhala, Tamil and English; and
 - (b) always keep exhibited in a conspicuous part of his shop or place of business so as to be clearly visible to and legible by every person resorting thereto a notice containing in Sinhala, Tamil and English the particulars set out in the Third Schedule.

Language to be used in entering Particulars.	16. Where any particulars are required by this Ordinance to be entered in any book, form or document, such particulars shall be entered in Sinhala or Tamil or English.
Books to be kept by pawnbrokers.	17. Every pawnbroker shall keep and use in his business a pledge book in the form A and a sale book of pledges in the form B set out in the Second Schedule, and shall from time to time, as occasion demands, enter therein in affair and legible manner all the particulars for the recording of which provision is made in such forms, and shall make all inquiries necessary for that purpose.
Pawn tickets.	18. (1) Every pawn ticket shall be executed in foil and counterfoil in the form C set out in the Second Schedule and in accordance with the directions contained in that form. (2) The particulars in the Third Schedule shall be printed legibly in Sinhala, Tamil and English on the back of the foil of every pawn ticket. (3) Where a pledge is pawned for One Thousand Rupees or over, the foil of the pawn ticket relating to that pledge shall bear a stamp according to the value. The expense for providing such stamp shall be borne by the pawnbroker. (4) No article shall be or the deemed to be taken in pawn unless and until - (a) the pawner has signed the counterfoil of the pawn ticket; (b) the pawnbroker has signed the foil of the pawn ticket and has given the foil to the pawner; and (c) the pawner has received and accepted the foil of the pawn ticket from the pawnbroker.
Rate of interest.	19. No pawnbroker shall in respect of a loan on a pledge, charge interest at a rate exceeding the rates specified in the Third Schedule. Provided that where any tax is payable in respect of a loan given on a pledge, nothing in the preceding provisions of this section shall be deemed to prohibit the pawnbrokers from recovering such tax from the pawner. In this Section “pledge” includes a pledge which has been pawned and which has not been redeemed before the appointed date.

PART II

PLEDGES

Pledges redeemable within one year.	20. Every pledge shall be redeemable within a period of twelve months (hereinafter in this statute referred to as the “period of redemption”) from the day of pawning exclusive of that day.
Pledges to continue to be redeemable until sale.	21. Notwithstanding anything in this Statute, every pledge shall continue to be redeemable until is disposed of as in this statute provided, although the period of redemption has expired.
Procedure for redemption of a pledge.	22. (1) The pawner shall be entitled to redeem a pledge if he surrenders to the pawnbroker the foil of the pawn ticket relating to that pledge and signs the foil in the presence of the pawnbroker or his agent or servant. (2) A person other than the pawner shall be entitled to redeem a pledge if such person surrenders to the pawnbroker the foil of the pawn ticket relating to that pledge duly endorsed with the signature of the pawner and if such person signs that foil in the presence of the pawnbroker or his agent or servant. (3) Where by reason of the death or legal disability of the pawner, the holder of the foil of the pawn ticket relating to that pledge (hereinafter in this section referred to as the “holder”) claims to be entitled to redeem that pledge but is unable to surrender to the pawnbroker the foil of the pawn ticket duly endorsed with the signature of the pawner, the pawnbroker shall permit the pledge to be redeemed if such holder surrenders to him the foil of the pawn ticket relating to that pledge together with a declaration in the form E set out in the Second Schedule, duly made before a Justice of the Peace by such holder and by the person identifying him.

- (4) Subject to the provisions of subsections (1), (2) and (3), the pawnbroker shall on payment of the loan, the interest due thereon, and tax, if any, payable in respect of such loan, deliver the pledge to the pawner or holder, as the case may be, who produces the foil of the pawn ticket relating to that pledge;

Provided, however, that if the pawnbroker has reason to suspect that such holder, has sold or otherwise illegally obtained possession of the pawn ticket, the pawnbroker may forthwith inform an officer of police or Grama Seva Niladhari.

23. If a person entitled and offering to redeem a pledge shows to the satisfaction of a civil court of competent jurisdiction that the pledge has become, or has been rendered, of less value than it was at the time of pawning thereof, by or through the default, neglect or willful misbehavior of the pawnbroker, the court may, if it thinks fit, award a reasonable satisfaction to the owner of the pledge. Compensation for depreciation of pledge.
24. (1) Any person claiming to be the owner of a pledge, but not holding the foil of the pawn ticket, or any person claiming to be entitled to hold the foil of the pawn ticket, but alleging that the foil of such ticket has been lost, stolen, mislaid, destroyed, or fraudulently obtained from him, may deliver to the pawnbroker a declaration in the form E set out in the Second Schedule, duly made before a Justice or the Peace by himself and by the person indentifying him, and shall thereupon have as between himself and the pawnbroker, all the same rights and remedies as if he produced the foil of the pawn ticket. Protection of owners and of pawners not having pawn tickets
- Provided that for the purpose of redeeming a pledge he shall sign the counterfoil of the pawn ticket.
- (2) The pawnbroker is hereby indemnified for delivering the pledge or otherwise acting in conformity with the declaration, unless he has actual or constructive notice that the declaration is fraudulent or false in any material particular.
25. (1) Where the foil of a pawn ticket is surrendered to the pawnbroker for the purpose of redeeming a pledge, the pawnbroker shall retain in his possession the foil and counterfoil of that pawn ticket for a period of twelve months reckoned from the date of the redemption of that pledge. Pawn tickets to be retained by pawnbroker after redemption or sale of pledge.
- (2) Where a pledge is redeemed without the surrender of the foil of the pawn ticket relating to that pledge, a pawnbroker shall retain in his possession for a period of twelve months reckoned from the date of the redemption of that pledge the counterfoil of the pawn ticket relating to that pledge and the declaration delivered to him under section 24 for the purpose of such redemption.
- (3) Where a pledge is sold under the provisions of this Ordinance, the pawnbroker shall retain in his possession the counterfoil of the pawn ticket relating to that pledge for a period of twelve months reckoned from the date of sale.
26. (1) Where in any prescribed circumstance any pledge is lost while in pawn with any pawnbroker, the security furnished by such pawnbroker shall be applied in the prescribed manner to the payment of compensation to the pawner or to any other person entitled to redeem such pledge. Application and return of security furnished by pawnbrokers
- (2) Where a person ceases to carry on the business of a pawnbroker, the amount of the security furnished by him less any sum applied therefrom to the payment of such compensation as is referred to in subsection (1) shall be returned to him.
27. (1) Where a pledge is destroyed or damaged by or in consequence of fire, the pawnbroker shall nevertheless be liable, on demand, within the period of redemption, to pay the value of the pledge, after deducting the amount of the loan and interest, and business turnover tax, if any, payable in respect of such loan. Liability of pawnbroker in case of fire.
- (2) Every pawnbroker shall have his business insured to the full extent of the value of the articles pawned with him.
28. Every pawnbroker shall, at the time of redemption of the pledge, give a receipt for the amount of loan and interest paid to him and tax, if any recovered by him and preserve a copy of such receipt with the pledge book. Such receipt shall be in the Form F set out in the Second Schedule. Receipt of pawnbroker
29. (1) Every pledge which is not redeemed within the period of redemption may be disposed of by sale by public auction but shall not be disposed of otherwise, and the regulations in the Fourth Schedule shall be observed with reference to the sale. Pledges to be sold by auction.

- (2) Where a pledge is to be sold by public auction under the preceding provisions of this Section, where a pledge is to be sold by Public Auction under the preceding provisions of this Section, the pawner shall be given two months notice in writing with regard to such sale. The pawnbroker with whom such pledge had been pawned shall give at least twenty one days notice in writing to the Chief Secretary of the date and time fixed for such sale and the place at which such sale is to be held.
- Notice of sale.
30. The pawnbroker shall give to every pawner whose pledge is to be sold under this Statute at least fourteen days notice of the date fixed for the sale of his pledge by public auction and of the place at which the sale is to be held.
- Proceeding at sale of pledge for more than the amount of the loan, interest and any tax.
31. In every case where a pledge is sold under this Statute for more than the amount of the loan and interest due on the date of the sale and any tax, if any, payable in respect of such loan the pawnbroker shall;
- (a) forthwith give to the pawner of that pledge notice of the amount for which the pledge was sold and of the amount lying to the credit of the pawner after deducting the necessary costs and accrued interest charges of the sale and ,
- (b) on demand made within one year from the date of such sale pay to the holder of the pawn ticket relating to that pledge the amount lying to the credit of the pawner; and
- (c) if no such demand is made within the said period of one year, forthwith on the expiry of the said period, deposit the amount lying to the credit of the pawner in the Provincial Council to the credit of the pawner.
- Procedure on sale of pledge before the appointed date for more than the amount due and interest.
32. Where, at any time before the appointed date, any pledge pawned for above Thousand Rupees has been sold under the law then in force for more than the amount of the loan and interest due at the time of the sale, and no demand for the amount lying to the credit of the pawner is made to pawnbroker by the holder of the pawn ticket relating to that pledge within one year after the date appointed date, the pawnbroker shall, forthwith on the expiry of the said period, deposit such amount in the Provincial Council Fund to the credit of the pawner.
- Method of giving notice under sections 29, 30 and 31.
33. Every notice under Section 29, 30 or 31 shall be sent by registered post to the pawner at the address entered in the pledge book and the cost of registration shall be borne by the pawner.
- Purchase of pledges by pawnbroker.
34. A pawnbroker may bid for and purchase at a sale by auction made or purporting to be made under this Statute, a pledge pawned with him; and on such purchase he shall be deemed to be the absolute owner of the pledge purchase.

PART III

INSPECTION, EXAMINATION AND SEIZURE

- Power to inspect sale books.
35. At any time within two years from the date on which a pledge is sold under this Statute, the holder of the pawn ticket may inspect the entry of the sale in the pawnbrokers's book and in the filled-up catalogue of the auction authenticated by the signature of the auctioneer, or in either of them; and the pawnbroker shall permit the holder of the pawn ticket to inspect the entry of the sale in such book and catalogue or in either of them.
- Proceedings where persons offering articles in pawn do not give a good account of themselves.
36. Where any person
- (a) offers to a pawnbroker an article by way of pawn, but refuses or is unable to give a satisfactory account of the means by which he became possessed of it; *or*
- (b) willfully gives false information to a pawnbroker as to whether an article offered by him in pawn to the pawnbroker is his own property or not, or as to his name and address, or as to the name and address of the owner of the article ; *or*
- (c) attempts or endeavors to redeem a pledge not being entitled to redeem; *or*

- (d) offers to a pawnbroker an article by way of pawn and the pawnbroker has reason to suspect that it has been stolen or otherwise illegally.

the pawnbroker may forthwith inform of an officer of police or peace officer, who shall forthwith convey the person and the article before a court of competent jurisdiction to be dealt with according to law.

37. It shall be lawful for a Provincial Revenue Commissioner, by an order served on any pawnbroker, to require such pawnbroker to attend before him on a day and hour to be specified in the order, and to produce for examination all books and papers relating to his business, and every pawnbroker on whom any order is served under this Section shall comply with the requirements of such order. Pawnbroker's book subject to examination.
38. It shall be lawful for any officer of police not below the rank of Sub-Inspector or any public officer authorized in writing in that behalf by the Chief Secretary or any authorized officer to enter any pawnbroker's shop or place of business or residence at any hour of the day and examine and take note of any article pledged with the pawnbroker, or any books and papers kept by him; and no person shall resist any such officer in the execution of his duty. Power to search pawnbroker's shop or residence.

PART IV

OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

39. Every person who - Offences by pawners and other persons.
- (a) offers to a pawnbroker an article by way of pawn but refuses or is unable to give a satisfactory account of the means by which he became possessed of it; *or*
- (b) willfully gives false information to a pawnbroker as to whether an article offered by him in pawn to the pawnbroker is his own property or not, or as to his name and address or as to the name and address of the owner of the article *or*
- (c) attempts or endeavors to redeem a pledge not being a person entitled to redeem such pledge, or
- (d) without lawful excuse pawns with a pawnbroker anything being the property of another person; *or*
- (e) makes a declaration under this Ordinance either for himself or as identifying another, knowing such declaration to be false in any material particular; *or*
- (f) contravenes any provisions of this Statute or fails to do anything which he is required to do by this Statute.

shall be guilty of an offence

40. Every pawnbroker who - Offences by pawnbrokers.
- (a) takes an article in pawn from any person appearing to be under the age of eighteen years or to be intoxicated; *or*
- (b) takes an article in pawn without giving the pawner the foil of the pawn ticket; *or*
- (c) purchases, or takes in pawn or exchange, the foil of a pawn ticket issued by another pawnbroker; *or*
- (d) employs any person apparently under the age of eighteen years to take articles in pawn; *or*
- (e) purchases, except at a sale by public auction under this Statute, any pledge while in pawn with him, *or*

- (f) suffers any pledge while in pawn with him to be redeemed with a view to his purchasing it; *or*
- (g) agrees with any person, pawning or offering to pawn any article, to purchase, sell or dispose of such article within the period of redemption; *or*
- (h) sells or otherwise disposes of any pledge pawned with him except at such time and in such manner as it authorized by this Statute; *or*
- (i) makes any false entry in any book required to be kept by him under this Statute or fails to make therein any entry which he is required to make by this Statute; *or*
- (j) fails to have his business insured to the full extent of the value of all the articles pawned with him; *or*
- (k) contravenes any provision of this Statute or fails to do anything which he is required to do by this Statute.

shall be guilty of an offence.

Prohibition of taking in pawn linen, clothing, unfinished goods, &c., in certain cases.

41. Every pawnbroker who knowingly takes in pawn any linen or apparel, or unfinished goods or materials entrusted to any person shall be guilty of an offence; and where any court convicts any pawn broker of an offence under this section the court may, in addition to any other punishment which it may impose for that offence, order the pawnbroker to restore the pledge to the owner thereof in the presence of the court or as the court directs.

Pawnbroker failing to deposit in Provincial Council money lying to the credit of a pawner.

42. Every pawnbroker who fails to deposit in the Provincial Council Fund the amount lying to the credit of a pawner as required by Section 31 or Section 32 shall be guilty of an offence; and where any court convicts any pawnbroker of such offence, the court may, in addition to any other punishment which it may impose for that offence, order a sum equal to such amount to be recovered from that pawnbroker as though it were a fine imposed by the Court. Every such sum when recovered by the court shall be deposited in the Provincial Council Fund to the credit of the pawner.

Offences by an employee or agent of pawnbroker.

43. Anything done or omitted to be done by an employee or agent of a pawnbroker in the course of or in relation to the business of a pawnbroker shall be deemed to be done or omitted, as the case may be by the pawnbroker.

Provided that where, in the absence of a pawnbroker from his shop or place of business, anything is done or omitted to be done by any servant or agent of the pawnbroker in contravention of any provision of this Statute such servant or agent shall also be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to the penalty prescribed for that offence by this Statute.

Penalty.

- 44 (1) Every person who is guilty of an offence under this Statute shall be liable to a fine not exceeding Twenty Five Thousand Rupees or to imprisonment of either description for a term not exceeding six months or to both such fine and imprisonment.
- (2) Every such fine recovered under subsection (1) shall be credited to the Provincial Council Fund.

Cancellation of pawnbroker's licence

45. Where a pawnbroker or, in his absence, any agent or servant of the pawnbroker is convicted of any offence under this Statute, or of any fraud in his business, or of receiving stolen goods knowing them to be stolen, the Chief Secretary shall cancel the licence issued to that pawnbroker.

Article in unlawful possession of pawnbroker.

46. Wherever, in any proceeding under this Statute, it is made to appear to a court that any article is in the unlawful possession of any pawnbroker, it shall be competent to such court to order the production of the article and its delivery to any person named by such court, under such terms, if any, as it may think proper.

Annual Statement of Account

47. Every pawnbroker shall submit an annual statement of accounts of his business to the Chief Secretary.

PART V

SUPPLEMENTARY

48. Where any sum of money is deposited to the credit of any pawner in pursuance of the provisions of Section 31 and Section 32 that pawner shall be informed there of that person shall be entitled to receive payment of such sum of demand made to the Chief Secretary within one year from the date of such deposit. If so such demand is made within the said period of one year such sum shall, on the expiry of the said period, be credited to the consolidated fund. Sums of money deposited to pawner's credit in Provincial Council
49. Anything by this Statute required or authorized to be done by a pawnbroker may be done by his servant or agent. Agents, employees, &c. of a pawnbroker.
50. For the purposes of this Statute the following persons shall be deemed to be persons carrying on business of taking goods in pawn, that is to say, every person who keeps a shop for the purchase or sale of goods, or for taking in goods by way of security for money advanced thereon, and who purchases or receives or takes in goods and pays or advances or lends thereon any sum of money, with or under an agreement or understanding expressed or implied or to be from the nature and character of the dealing reasonably inferred, that those goods may be afterwards redeemed or repurchased on any terms, and every such transaction, article, payment, advance and loan shall be deemed a pawning, pledge, and loan, respectively, within this Statute. Keepers of certain shops to be deemed pawnbrokers.
51. (1) The Minister may make regulations for giving effect to the provisions of this Statute. Regulations
- (2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the powers conferred by Subsection (1), the Minister may make regulations -
 - (a) Prescribing any matter which is required by this Statute to be prescribed, and
 - (b) providing for any matter incidental or supplemental to the furnishing of security by pawnbrokers.
- (3) No regulation made by the Minister under this section shall have effect until it is approved by Provincial Council and notification of such approval is published in the *Gazette*. Every regulation shall, upon notification of such approval in the *Gazette*, be as valid and effectual as if it were herein enacted.
52. Any power, function or duty of the Chief Secretary under this Statute may be exercised or performed by any public officer who is authorized to do so by writing under the hand of the Chief Secretary. Delegation of powers, &c.,
53. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Statute - Transitional Provisions
 - (a) any licence issued under the Pawn Broker Ordinance (Chapter 99) shall be deemed to be a licence issued under this Statute;
 - (b) any regulation made under the Pawn brokers Ordinance (Chapter 99) shall be deemed to be regulations made under this Statute until regulations under this Statute is made; and
 - (c) any action instituted or any order given by any court regarding such action on the day immediately prior to the appointed date, shall be deemed to be an action instituted or any order given by any court under this Statute.
54. In this Statute, unless the context otherwise requires - Interpretation.

“appointed date” means the date on which this statute cover into force;

“business place” includes a dwelling house, warehouse, place of business and any place where business is transacted;

“Chief Secretary” means Chief Secretary of the Southern Provincial Council or any other officer duly authorized by him;

“Governor” means Government of Southern Provincial Council;

“foreign company” means a company in which Part XI of the Companies Act, No. 7 of 2007 applied;

“foreign firm” means a firm —

- (a) consisting of two partners one of whom is not a citizen of Sri Lanka, or both of whom are not such citizens; or
- (b) consisting of more than two partners at least one of whom is not a citizen of Sri Lanka.

“month” means a period of thirty days for the purpose of charging profit or interest;

“pawnbroker” includes every person who carries on the business of taking goods in pawn except pawning business carried out by bank;

“pawner” means a person delivering an article for pawn to a pawnbroker;

“Provincial Council” means Southern Provincial Council;

“Provincial Council Fund” means the fund established under the Section 19 of Provincial Councils Act, No. 42 of 1987;

“Minister” means Minister in charge of Finance in Southern Provincial Council;

“unfinished goods or materials” include any goods of any manufacture or of any part or branch of any manufacture, either mixed or separate, or any materials whatever plainly intended for the composing or manufacturing of any goods, after such goods or materials are put into a state or course of manufacture, or into a state for any process or operation to be performed thereupon or therewith and before the same are completed or finished for the purpose of wear of consumption.

(Section 3)

FIRST SCHEDULE

Licence

I,.....Chief Secretary for Southern Provincial Council do hereby authorize and license..... ofto carry on the business of a pawnbroker atwithin the limits ofin theSouthern Province, under the provisions of the Pawnbrokers Statute.

This license will expire on

.....,
Chief Secretary.

(Section 17)

SECOND SCHEDULE

Form A

PLEDGE BOOK

Pledge Book of Pawnbroker of.....

No. and date of the issue of Pawn Ticket	No. of Pledge in the Month	Amount of Loan upon each Article	Profit or Interest charged upon each Article	Name of Pawner	Address of Pawner	Name of Owner if other than Pawner	Description of each Article pawned	Weight of Article if Jewellery	Value of each Article pawned	Date of Redemption	Name and address of Person redeeming
		Rs. c	Rs. c						Rs. c		

(Section 17)

FORM B

Sale book of Pledges

Date and place of Sale :

Name and Address of Auctioneer :

No. of Pledge as in Pledge Book	Date of Pawning	Name of Pawner	Amount of Loan	Amount of Interest due	Amount for which each Pledge was sold by Auctioneer	Name and Address of Purchaser
			Rs. c	Rs. c	Rs. c	

(Section 18)

FORM C

Pawn Ticket

Counterfoil	No:.....	Foil.	No.
To be retained by Pawnbroker			Date
	Date :.....		
Name and address of Pawnbroker:.....	(name and address of pawner) has this day pawned with the undersigned.....(name and address of pawnbroker) worth Rs. for Rs.	
I, the undersigned..... of (address of pawner)have this day pawned with the aforesaid pawnbrokerworth Rs.for Rs.			
Signature of pawner or left Thumb impression of pawner if unable to write his name	}	Signature of pawnbroker or an employee or agent of pawn broker }	

(Section 22)

FORM D

**Declaration where the foil of the pawn ticket is surrendered under Section 20
without the signature of the pawner endorsed thereon**

I, A. B. of in pursuance of the Pawnbrokers Statute, do solemnly and sincerely declare that
pledged at the shop of Pawnbroker, the article/s described below and received the foil of a pawn ticket for the same and that
for the purpose of redeeming the pledge I am unable to surrender the foil of the pawn ticket to the pawnbroker with the signature of the
said (pawner) duly endorsed thereon, because the said (pawner) is dead/under a legal disability, to
wit (nature of legal disability).

The article/s above referred to is/are.....

I, C. D. in pursuance of the same Statute, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I know the person now making
the foregoing declaration to be A. B. of

Declared before me thisday of, 20

Signature of A. B.

Signature of C, D

.....
Justice of the Peace.

(Section 24)

FORM E

Declaration where the foil of the pawn ticket is Lost, & c.

Take notice, if this declaration is false the person making its is punishable.

I, A. B. of in pursuance of the Pawnbrokers Statute, do solemnly and sincerely declare that pledged at the shop of Pawnbroker, the article(or articles) described below, being..... property and received the foil of the pawn ticket for the same, which has since been by and that the foil of the pawn ticket has not been sold or transferred to any person by or to knowledge or belief.

The article(or articles) above referred to is(or are) the following:.....

And , I, C. D of in pursuance of the same Statute, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I know the person now making the foregoing declaration to be A. B., of.....

Declared before me thisday of 20

.....
Justice of the Peace.

(Section 28)

FORM F

Receipt

Date

Received on redemption of Pledge No

Rs. cts.

Amount of loan
Profit or interest
Business Turnover Tax

Total

THIRD SCHEDULE

1. Rate of Interest

The rate of interest on every Rupees Thousand shall be for every month or part thereof.

2. Relevant Tax

Where the any tax under any written law is payable by the pawnbroker on a loan on a pledge, such tax may be recovered from the pawner.

3. Restriction on recovery of enhanced interest.

Where a pawnbroker is entitled to enhanced interest as from any date, such enhanced shall not be recoverable if the pawner shows to the satisfaction of a civil court of competent jurisdiction that he failed to redeem the pledge before such date only because the pawnbroker's shop remained closed between 8 a.m. and 8 p. m. on the day preceding that date.

If the pawn to which this ticket relates is not redeemed within a period of twelve months from the day of pawning, It is liable to be sold public auction.

If the surplus profits if any from the sale are not claimed by the pawner within oneyear from such sale, the said profits will be placed to his credit inthe Provincial Council or one year.

FOURTH SCHEDULE

REGULATIONS RELATING TO AUCTIONS OF PLEDGES

1. The auctioneer shall cause all pledges to be exposed to public view.

2. He shall publish catalogues of the pledges, stating –

- (a) the pawnbroker's name and place of business;
- (b) the month in which each pledge was pawned;
- (c) the number of each pledge as entered at the time of pawning in the pledge book.

3. The pledges of each pawnbroker in the catalogue shall be separate from any pledges of any other pawnbroker.

4. The auctioneer shall give notice of the sale by advertisements inserted in at least one Sinhala, Tamil and English newspaper and by notices displayed in places resorted to by the public in the area where the sale is to be held and such advertisements and notices shall state –

- (a) the pawnbroker's name and place of business; and
- (b) the months in which the pledges were pawned.

5. The advertisement shall be inserted on two several days in the same newspaper and the second advertisement shall be inserted at least ten clear days before the first day of sale.

6. Where a pawnbroker bids at a sale, the auctioneer shall not take the bidding in any other form than that inwhich he takes the biddings of other persons at the same sale; and the auctioneer on knocking down any article to a pawnbroker shall forthwith declare audibly the name of the pawnbroker as purchaser.

7. The auctioneer shall, within fourteen days after the sale, deliver to the pawnbroker a copy of the catalogue, or of so much thereof as relates to the pledges of that pawnbroker, filled up with the amount for which the several pledges of that pawnbroker were sole, and authenticated by the signature of the auctioneer.

8. The pawnbroker shall preserve every such catalogue for two years at least after the auction.

KOBEIGANE PRADESHIYA SABHA

Declaration as a Developed Area

IT is hereby notified at the general public that W. M. M. B. Weerasekara the commissioner of Local Government for North Western Province have give the approval to the above resolution, adopted by sabha under the decision No. (04) iv of Sabha meeting held on 25th May, 2012 by Kobeigane Pradeshiya Sabha in terms of Sub Section 1 of Section 134 of Pradeshiya Sabha Act No. 15 of 1987 under the powers vested in Commissioner of Local Governments by the above sub Section of aforesaid Act.

W. M.M. B. WEERASEKARA,
Commissioner of Local Government,
Department of Local Government,
Kurunegala.

Office of Commissioner of Local Government,
20th March 2013.

RESOLUTION

Kobeigane Pradeshiya Sabha proposes that the area described in schedule below which are in the jurisdiction of Kobeigane Pradeshiya Sabha shall be accepted to be a developed area and that

02. Arrangement shall be made to obtain the approval of Commissioner of Local Government for North Western Province to the said adopted resolution.

SCHEDULE

Area belongs to No. 129 Pannawa Grama Niladhari's Division of Kobeigane Pradeshiya Sabha Limits and is bounded on the North by Properties claimed by M. M. M. Suhail on the possession of deed No. 9118 and by A. M. M Kaasim on the possession of deed No. 77773, on the East by properties lie with in 1000 meters limit from center point, on the South by Pannawa school and properties claimed by A. W. Nazar on the possession of deed No. 34048 and on the West by properties lie within 100 meter's limit from center point.

NOMINATION OF NEW ASSESSMENT ZONES

This assessment area starts from house of Mr. M. L. M. Kasim (left side) and house of Mr. M. I. M. Suhaib (right side) and covers area (1400m) either side of the road up to Sinhala School and it is kindly in formed that those listed below should come to mosque on 03.06.2011 with plan and deed numbers.

<i>Serial No.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Deed No.</i>	<i>Plan No.</i>
01.	Mr. M. I M. Suhaib	9118	1644
02.	Mr. A. H. M. Smail	18818	1644
03.	Mr. S. M. Paris	8291	1644
04.	Mr. A. H. M. Ebrahim	8291	1644
05.	Mr. A. M. M. Kasim	Kuru/Pu 77773	1644
06.	Mr. M. C. M. Ameen	Kuru/Pu 77773	1644
07.	Mr. A. H. M. Razak	Kuru/Pu 77773	1644
08.	Mr. M. C. L. Kaleel	Kuru/Pu 77773	1644
09.	Mr. A. I. Piridawus	45569 B	1644
10.	Mr. A. I. Herj Asrad	45569 A	1644
11.	Mr. U. L. Alisbrahim	not settled	1644
12.	Mr. U. L. M. Risvi	7475	1644
13.	Mr. A. H. M. Uduma Labbe	7475	1645
14.	Mr. A. L. Ismi	30987	1645
15.	Mr. S. H. M Saul Hameed	2107	1645
16.	Mr. M. C. S. Abdeen	144	1645
17.	I. Sitthi Hamsiya	13220	1645
18.	Mr. I. L. Thahir		

<i>Serial No.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Deed No.</i>	<i>Plan No.</i>
19.	Mrs. M. C. Ripana		
20.	Mr. M. C. Abul Jaiwar		
21.	Mr. Sewlabdeen		
22.	Mr. Najibdeen	25619	1645
23.	Mrs. M. L. Meera Lebbe	25619	1645
24.	Co-operative Shop	crown land	1645
25.	Pre-school	crown land	1645
26.	Co-operative Stores	crown land	1645
27.	Community hall	crown land	1645
28.	Mrs. A. C. Anida	1434	1645
29.	Mr. A. S. Rashandeen	323 transfer	1645
30.	Mr. Ismail		
31.	Mr. M. R. Sapiulla	1777 tranger	1645
32.	Mr. U. L. Suwais		
33.	Mr. Rahuman		
34.	Mr. M. C. M. Abdul Kadar	2512 tranger	1645
35.	Mr. Ishhath Lebbe	9181 tranger	1645
36.	Mr. M. C. M. Nazir		
37.	Mr. Hanifa		
38.	Mr. Y. M. Nipahir		
39.	Mr. U. L. Hazis		
40.	Mrs. .U.L. Mahir		
41.	Mr. N. Mohomed		
42.	Mr. I. L. M. Mahir		
43.	Mr. M. R. A. Nazar	577	1645
44.	Mr. M. H. Rizwan		
45.	Mr. Kadar		
46.	Mr. Habeeb	6465	1645
47.	Mr. Imthiyas	6465	1645
48.	Mr. A. L. Azim	6465	1645
49.	Mr. A. C. M. Nazar (One Land)	1850 tranger	1645
50.	Mr. A. C. M. Nazar (One Land)	1850 tranger	1645
51.	Mr. A. C. M. Thaslim	1886 tranger	1645
52.	Mr. P. Abdul Kadar		
53.	Mr. Arshad		
54.	Mr. Apoor		
55.	Mr. Nijabdeen		
56.	Mrs. Ummu Latheesa		
57.	Mr. Ismile		
58.	Mrs. Seha Umma		
59.	Mr. A. P. Abubakar		
60.	Mr. Nazeem		
61.	Mr. Huzein		
62.	Mr. Pahim		
63.	Mr. M. L. M. Kazim	Hereditary Pannawa	1644
64.	Mr. Kazlim		
65.	Mr. M. C. M. Haneepa	10988 Pannawa	1644
66.	Mr. Ayyub	951	1644
67.	Mr. M. S. M. Ismil	1196	9053

<i>Serial No.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Deed No.</i>	<i>Plan No.</i>
68.	Mrs. Leyya Umma	10112	1644
69.	Mrs. A. H. Shareepa Umma	13953	1644
70.	Mr. A. A. M. Razik	665	1764
71.	Mr. J. M. Hazim	13952	1644
72.	Mrs. Sapeeda Umma	992	1644
73.	Mr. C. L. Abubalib	993	1644
74.	Mr. S. L. N. Neina Mohomed	994	
75.	Mrs. Najeema		
76.	Mr. M. L. Muzthalin		
77.	Mr. A. W. Nazeer	34048	1645
78.	Mr. M. I. M. Razik	34048	1645
79.	Mr. P. Mohommadu		
80.	Mr. P.M. M. Hazim		
81.	Mr. A. P. M. Samin		
82.	Mr. Hazim		
83.	Mr. Naupar		
84.	Mr. Saleem		
85.	Mrs. I. L. M. Miriyat Bibi	219 Meti	1645
86.	Mrs. I. L. M. Aisha Umma		
87.	Mr. A. H. M. Unduma Lebbe	213	1645
88.	Mr. A. H. M. Nazim	213	1645
89.	Mr. Abdul Razik		
90.	Mr. Mubarak	216	1645
91.	Mr. S. M. Ismiyath	216	1645
92.	Mrs. I.L. Nadeeja Umma	Kuru/Pu 8028	1644
93.	Block belong to mosque		
94.	Mr. I.L. M. Razik	Kuru/Pu 25394	1442
95.	Mr. I. L. M. Mahilar	Kuru/Pu 25395	1442
96.	Mr. I. L. M. Nizar	Kuru/123396	1442
97.	Mr. I. L. M. Thahir	Kuru/Pu 123397	1442
98.	Mr. Isak Lebbe		
99.	Mr. Isak		
100.	Mr. A. H. M. Niyaz	Kuru/Pu 21092	1645
101.	Mr. A.B. Suhu		
102.	Mr. Abdul Laththur	3938	1645
103.	Mr. A. L. Nilar	1191	1645
104.	Mr. I. L. Ahamadu Lebbe	1191	1645
105.	Mr. I. L. Thamzeer	6702	1645
106.	Mr. A. H. Ameer Akbar	32702	1645
107.	Mr. I. B. Hardeen	4371	1645
108.	Mr. M. H. M. Niyaz	4371	
109.	Mr. U. L. Shareep	13757	6667
110.	Mr. Buhari	13758	6667
111.	Mr. Ramshan		
112.	Mr. Humaise		
113.	Mr. Abdul Kadar		

Secretary,
Kobeigane Pradeshiya Sabha.

Map of proposed new Assessment Tax Zone in Pannawa

