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AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF MEMBERS OF CERTAIN LOCAL AUTHORITIES; AND FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH OR INCIDENTAL THERETO

WHEREAS nominations were submitted for the purpose of elections to certain local authorities; Preamble.

WHEREAS it became necessary to postpone the poll for such elections, due to reasons of public order:

WHEREAS provision was made by the Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Act, No. 43 of 1987, to extend the term of office of members of those local authorities, and to make further provision for the continuation of Local Government functions in these local government areas:

AND WHEREAS it is now necessary to further extend the term of office of these local authorities:

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

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Act, No. 38 of 1988.

Short title
and date
of
operation.

(2) The provisions of this Act, other than the provisions of section 5 thereof, shall come into operation on the date of commencement of this Act.

(3) The provisions of section 5 of this Act, shall come into operation on such date as may be appointed by the Minister, by Order published in the *Gazette*.

2. The term of office of the elected members of every Development Council specified in Schedule I to this Act, holding office on the date preceding the first day of January, 1989, is hereby extended from the first day of January, 1989, until the first day of January, 1990, or such earlier date as the Minister may appoint, by Order published in the *Gazette*.

Extension
of term of
office of
members of
Development
Councils.

3. (1) Notwithstanding anything in section 10 of the Municipal Councils Ordinance or in the Order made under that section and published in *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 453/4 of May 12, 1987, the term of office of members of each of the Municipal Councils specified in Schedule II to this Act holding office on the day preceding the first day of January, 1989, is hereby extended from the first day of

Extension
of term of
office of
members of
certain
Municipal
Councils, and
Urban
Councils.

January, 1989, until the first day of January, 1990, or such earlier date as the Minister may appoint, by Order published in the *Gazette*; and such first day of January or the date so appointed shall, for the purposes of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 10 of the Municipal Councils Ordinance, be the date of commencement of the term of office of the new members elected to each such Council.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in section 10 of the Urban Councils Ordinance or in the Order made under that section and published in *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 453/4 of May 12, 1987, the term of office of the members of each of the Urban Councils specified in Schedule III to this Act, holding office on the day preceding the first day of January, 1989, is hereby extended from the first day of January, 1989, until the first day of January, 1990, or such earlier date as the Minister may appoint by Order published in the *Gazette*; and such first day of January or the date so appointed shall for the purposes of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 10 of the Urban Councils Ordinance, be the date of commencement of the term of office of the new members elected to each such Council.

Special
Commissioners to
administer
affairs of
certain
Pradeshia
Sabhas.

4. (1) Notwithstanding anything in the Order made under section 6 of the Pradeshia Sabha, Act, No. 15 of 1987, and published in *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 453/4 of May 12, 1987, the term of office of every Pradeshia Sabha specified in Schedule IV and Schedule V to this Act shall commence on the first day of January, 1990, or on such earlier date as the Minister may appoint, by Order published in the *Gazette*; and such first day of January or the date so appointed shall for the purposes of this Act, be deemed to be the date of commencement of the term of office of each such Sabha and not the first day of January, 1989, as specified in that Order.

(2) The Minister may, by Order published in the *Gazette*, appoint a Special Commissioner to administer the affairs of any Pradeshia Sabha specified in Schedule IV or Schedule V to this Act, during the period commencing on the first day of January 1989, and ending on the date of commencement of the term of office of such Sabha (as provided in subsection (1)); and for that purpose, and subject to such conditions as may be specified in that Order, to exercise the powers and perform the duties of a Pradeshia Sabha or the Chairman of a Pradeshia Sabha under the Pradeshia Sabhas Act, No. 15 of 1987:

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Provided however a Special Commissioner appointed under subsection (2) of section 4 of the Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Act, No. 43 of 1987, to administer the affairs of a Pradeshiya Sabha specified in Schedule IV or Schedule V of this Act, and holding office on December 31, 1988, shall continue to administer the affairs of such Pradeshiya Sabha, during the period commencing on January 1, 1989, and ending on the date of commencement of the term of office of such Sabha and for that purpose and subject to such conditions as may be specified in that Order, to exercise the powers and perform the duties of a Pradeshiya Sabha or the Chairman of a Pradeshiya Sabha under the Pradeshiya Sabhas Act, No. 15 of 1987.

(3) Upon the commencement of the term of office of a Pradeshiya Sabha specified in Schedule IV or Schedule V to this Act, such Pradeshiya Sabha shall be the successor to any Special Commissioner appointed, under subsection (1) to administer the affairs of such Pradeshiya Sabha.

5. (1) Notwithstanding anything in section 35 of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262) or in any notice published under that section, the Commissioner, of Elections shall, within two weeks of the date of the coming into operation of this section publish a notice in the *Gazette*, specifying a period during which nomination papers will be received by the respective returning officers for each of the electoral areas specified in Schedule V to this Act, being an electoral area in respect of which no nomination papers were received, or all the nomination papers received were rejected, in previous nomination periods specified under the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance, with respect to that electoral area.

Special provision relating to nominations for elections to certain local authorities.

(2) Where any nomination papers are submitted to the returning officer in respect of any such electoral areas during the period specified under subsection (1) the provisions of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance shall thereupon apply. Where on the other hand no nomination papers are received within that period in respect of any electoral area, or all the nomination papers received, within that period in respect of any electoral area are rejected, the provision of subsections (2) and (3) of section 35 of that Ordinance shall apply.

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SCHEDULE I

(Section 2)

**DEVELOPMENT COUNCILS THE TERM OF OFFICE OF WHOSE MEMBERS IS
EXTENDED**

1. The Colombo Development Council
2. The Gampaha Development Council
3. The Kalutara Development Council
4. The Kandy Development Council
5. The Matale Development Council
6. The Nuwara Eliya Development Council
7. The Galle Development Council
8. The Matara Development Council
9. The Hambantota Development Council
10. The Ampara Development Council
11. The Kurunegala Development Council
12. The Puttalam Development Council
13. The Anuradhapura Development Council
14. The Polonnaruwa Development Council
15. The Badulla Development Council
16. The Moneragala Development Council
17. The Ratnapura Development Council
18. The Kegalle Development Council

SCHEDULE II

(Section 3)

**MUNICIPAL COUNCILS THE TERM OF OFFICE OF WHOSE MEMBERS IS
EXTENDED**

1. The Colombo Municipal Council
2. The Dehiwela-Mt. Lavinia Municipal Council
3. The Negombo Municipal Council
4. The Kandy Municipal Council
5. The Galle Municipal Council
6. The Kurunegala Municipal Council
7. The Badulla Municipal Council
8. The Ratnapura Municipal Council

SCHEDULE III

(Section 3)

URBAN COUNCILS THE TERM OF OFFICE OF WHOSE MEMBERS IS EXTENDED

1. The Sitawaka Pura Urban Council
2. The Kolonnawa Urban Council
3. The Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte Urban Council
4. The Moratuwa Urban Council
5. The Gampaha Urban Council

6. The Ja-Ela Urban Council
7. The Katunayake Seeduwa Urban Council
8. The Minuwangoda Urban Council
9. The Peliyagoda Urban Council
10. The Beruwala Urban Council
11. The Horana Urban Council
12. The Kalutara Urban Council
13. The Panadura Urban Council
14. The Gampola Urban Council
15. The Kadugannawa Urban Council
16. The Nawalapitiya Urban Council
17. The Wattegama Urban Council
18. The Hatton-Dickoya Urban Council
19. The Talawakelle-Lindula Urban Council
20. The Ambalangoda Urban Council
21. The Matara Urban Council
22. The Hambantota Urban Council
23. The Tangalle Urban Council
24. The Ampara Urban Council
25. The Chilaw Urban Council
26. The Puttalam Urban Council
27. The Anuradhapura Urban Council
28. The Bandarawela Urban Council
29. The Haputale Urban Council
30. The Kegalle Urban Council

SCHEDULE IV

(Section 4)

**PRADESHIYA SABHAS COMMENCEMENT OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF WHOSE
MEMBERS IS POSTPONED**

1. The Homagama Pradeshiya Sabha
2. The Kaduwela Pradeshiya Sabha
3. The Kesbewa Pradeshiya Sabha
4. The Kotikawatte-Mulleriyawa Pradeshiya Sabha
5. The Maharagama Pradeshiya Sabha
6. The Sitawaka Pradeshiya Sabha
7. The Attanagalle Pradeshiya Sabha
8. The Divulapitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
9. The Dompe Pradeshiya Sabha
10. The Gampaha Pradeshiya Sabha
11. The Ja-Ela Pradeshiya Sabha
12. The Katana Pradeshiya Sabha
13. The Kelaniya Pradeshiya Sabha
14. The Mahara Pradeshiya Sabha

15. The Minuwangoda Pradeshiya Sabha
16. The Mirigama Pradeshiya Sabha
17. The Agalawatta Pradeshiya Sabha
18. The Bandaragama Pradeshiya Sabha
19. The Beruwela Pradeshiya Sabha
20. The Bulathsinhala Pradeshiya Sabha
21. The Dodangoda Pradeshiya Sabha
22. The Horana Pradeshiya Sabha
23. The Kalutara Pradeshiya Sabha
24. The Matugama Pradeshiya Sabha
25. The Panadura Pradeshiya Sabha
26. The Walallawita Pradeshiya Sabha
27. The Akurana Pradeshiya Sabha
28. The Ganga Ihala Korale Pradeshiya Sabha
29. The Harispattuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
30. The Kandy Four Gravets and Ganga-Wata Korale Pradeshiya Sabha
31. The Kundasale Pradeshiya Sabha
32. The Minipe Pradeshiya Sabha
33. The Panwila Pradeshiya Sabha
34. The Pasbage Korale Pradeshiya Sabha
35. The Pathadumbara Pradeshiya Sabha
36. The Pathahewaheta Pradeshiya Sabha
37. The Pujapitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
38. The Uda Dumbara Pradeshiya Sabha
39. The Udapalatha Pradeshiya Sabha
40. The Yatinuwara Pradeshiya Sabha
41. The Dambulla Pradeshiya Sabha
42. The Galewela Pradeshiya Sabha
43. The Naula Pradeshiya Sabha
44. The Pallepola Pradeshiya Sabha
45. The Rattota Pradeshiya Sabha
46. The Yatawatta Pradeshiya Sabha
47. The Hanguranketa Pradeshiya Sabha
48. The Kotmale Pradeshiya Sabha
49. The Walapane Pradeshiya Sabha
50. The Akmeemana Pradeshiya Sabha
51. The Ambalangoda Pradeshiya Sabha
52. The Baddegama Pradeshiya Sabha
53. The Balapitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
54. The Bentota Pradeshiya Sabha
55. The Elpitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
56. The Habaraduwa Pradeshiya Sabha
57. The Hikkaduwa Pradeshiya Sabha
58. The Karadeniya Pradeshiya Sabha

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59. The Labuduwa Pradeshiya Sabha
60. The Nagoda Pradeshiya Sabha
61. The Neluwa Pradeshiya Sabha
62. The Niyagama Pradeshiya Sabha
63. The Tawalama Pradeshiya Sabha
64. The Yakkalamulla Pradeshiya Sabha
65. The Akuressa Pradeshiya Sabha
66. The Devinuwara Pradeshiya Sabha
67. The Dickwella Pradeshiya Sabha
68. The Hakmana Pradeshiya Sabha
69. The Kamburupitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
70. The Kotapola Pradeshiya Sabha
71. The Malimboda Pradeshiya Sabha
72. The Pasgoda Pradeshiya Sabha
73. The Thihagoda Pradeshiya Sabha
74. The Weligama Pradeshiya Sabha
75. The Ambalantota Pradeshiya Sabha
76. The Beliatta Pradeshiya Sabha
77. The Hambantota Pradeshiya Sabha
78. The Lunugamwehera Pradeshiya Sabha
79. The Tissamaharamaya Pradeshiya Sabha
80. The Weeraketiya Pradeschiya Sabha
81. The Vavuniya South (Sinhala) Pradeshiya Sabha
82. The Kattankudy Pradeshiya Sabha
83. The Addalachchenai Pradeshiya Sabha
84. The Damana Pradeshiya Sabha
85. The Kalmunai Pradeshiya Sabha
86. The Karunkoditivu Pradeshiya Sabha
87. The Nintavur Pattu Pradeshiya Sabha
88. The Pottuvil Pradeshiya Sabha
89. The Sammanturai Pradeshiya Sabha
90. The Kantale Pradeshiya Sabha
91. The Kinniya Pradeshiya Sabha
92. The Muttur Pradeshiya Sabha
93. The Alawwa Pradeshiya Sabha
94. The Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha
95. The Galgamuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
96. The Giribawa Pradeshiya Sabha
97. The Ibbagamuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
98. The Kobeigane Pradeshiya Sabha
99. The Kurunegala Pradeshiya Sabha
100. The Mahawa Pradeshiya Sabha
101. The Nikaweratiya Pradeshiya Sabha
102. The Polgahawela Pradeshiya Sabha

103. The Ridigama Pradeshiya Sabha
104. The Arachchikattuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
105. The Chilaw Pradeshiya Sabha
106. The Kalpitiya Pradeshiya Sabha
107. The Nawagattegama Pradeshiya Sabha
108. The Wanathawilluwa Pradeshiya Sabha
109. The Galenbindunuwewa Pradeshiya Sabha
110. The Horowpotana Pradeshiya Sabha
111. The Kahatagasdigiliya Pradeshiya Sabha
112. The Kebetigollewa Pradeshiya Sabha
113. The Medawachchiya Pradeshiya Sabha
114. The M'hintale Pradeshiya Sabha
115. The Nochchiyagama Pradeshiya Sabha
116. The Nuwaragam Palatha (Central) Pradeshiya Sabha
117. The Nuwaragam Palatha (East) Pradeshiya Sabha
118. The Rambewa Pradeshiya Sabha
119. The Thirappane Pradeshiya Sabha
120. The Dimbulagala Pradeshiya Sabha
121. The Hingurakgoda Pradeshiya Sabha
122. The Lankapura Pradeshiya Sabha
123. The Tamankaduwa Pradeshiya Sabha
124. The Bandarawela Pradeshiya Sabha
125. The Ella Pradeshiya Sabha
126. The Hali-Ela Pradeshiya Sabha
127. The Mahiyangana Pradeshiya Sabha
128. The Passara Pradeshiya Sabha
129. The Ridimaliyadda Pradeshiya Sabha
130. The Soranatota Pradeshiya Sabha
131. Uva Paranagama Pradeshiya Sabha
132. The Welimada Pradeshiya Sabha
133. The Badalkumbura Pradeshiya Sabha
134. The Buttala Pradeshiya Sabha
135. The Moneragala Pradeshiya Sabha
136. The Siyambalanduwa Pradeshiya Sabha
137. The Thanamalwila Pradeshiya Sabha
138. The Ayagama Pradeshiya Sabha
139. The Ehaliyagoda Pradeshiya Sabha
140. The Kalawana Pradeshiya Sabha
141. The Kuruwita Pradeshiya Sabha
142. The Pelmadulla Pradeshiya Sabha
143. The Ratnapura Pradeshiya Sabha
144. The Aranayaka Pradeshiya Sabha
145. The Dehiowita Pradeshiya Sabha
146. The Deraniyagala Pradeshiya Sabha
147. The Galigomuwa Pradeshiya Sabha
148. The Kegalle Pradeshiya Sabha

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149. The Mawanella Pradeshiya Sabha
150. The Rambukkana Pradeshiya Sabha
151. The Ruwanwella Pradeshiya Sabha
152. The Warakapola Pradeshiya Sabha
153. The Yatiyantota Pradeshiya Sabha

SCHEDULE V

(Section 5)

LIST OF COUNCILS IN RESPECT OF WHICH NO NOMINATION ARE RECEIVED

1. The Jaffna Municipal Council
2. The Batticaloa Municipal Council
3. The Velvettithurai Urban Council
4. The Point-Pedro Urban Council
5. The Chavakachcheri Urban Council
6. The Vavuniya Urban Council
7. The Chavakachcheri Pradeshiya Sabha
8. The Delit Pradeshiya Sabha
9. The Kayts Pradeshiya Sabha
10. The Nallur Pradeshiya Sabha
11. The Point-Pedro Pradeshiya Sabha
12. The Vadamarachchi (South-West) Pradeshiya Sabha
13. The Valikamam (East) Pradeshiya Sabha
14. The Valikamam (North) Pradeshiya Sabha
15. The Valikamam (South) Pradeshiya Sabha
16. The Valikamam (South-West) Pradeshiya Sabha
17. The Valikamam (West) Pradeshiya Sabha
18. The Valanai Pradeshiya Sabha
19. The Karachchi Pradeshiya Sabha
20. The Pachchilaipalli Pradeshiya Sabha
21. The Poonakary Pradeshiya Sabha
22. The Mannar Pradeshiya Sabha
23. The Manthai (West) Pradeshiya Sabha
24. The Musali Pradeshiya Sabha
25. The Nanaddan Pradeshiya Sabha
26. The Vavuniya (North) Pradeshiya Sabha
27. The Vavuniya (South-Tamil) Pradeshiya Sabha
28. The Venkalacheddikulam Pradeshiya Sabha
29. The Manthai (East) Pradeshiya Sabha
30. The Maritime Pattu Pradeshiya Sabha
31. The Puthikudiyirappu Pradeshiya Sabha
32. The Thunukkai Pradeshiya Sabha
33. The Eravur Pattu Pradeshiya Sabha
34. The Koralai (North) Pradeshiya Sabha
35. The Manmunai (South-West) Pradeshiya Sabha

36. The Manmunai (South) and Eravur Pattu Pradeshiya Sabha
37. The Manmuni (West) Pradeshiya Sabha
38. The Manmuai Pradeshiya Sabha
39. The Porativu Pattu Pradeshiya Sabha
40. The Alayadiwembu Pradeshiya Sabha .
41. The Tirukkovil Pradeshiya Sabha
42. The Kuchchaveli Pradeshiya Sabha