



**PARLIAMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF
SRI LANKA**

**REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS
(SPECIAL PROVISIONS)**

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**to make special provisions to exempt internally displaced persons from
certain requirements of the Registration of Electors Act, No. 44 of 1980;
and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.**

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Registration of Electors (Special Provisions)

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AN ACT TO MAKE SPECIAL PROVISIONS TO EXEMPT INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS FROM CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS ACT, NO. 44 OF 1980; AND TO PROVIDE FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH OR INCIDENTAL THERETO.

WHEREAS certain persons have been internally displaced as a result of any actions of a terrorist militant or other group during the recent past: Preamble.

AND WHEREAS the State has formulated a policy to enable
5 internally displaced persons and their children eligible to vote to exercise their right to franchise in the electoral district in which their permanent places of residence were situated prior to being internally displaced:

AND WHEREAS it has now become necessary to make
10 special legal provision in order to give effect to such policy:

BE it therefore enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Registration of Electors (Special Provisions) Act, No. of 2017. Short title.

- 15 2. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Registration of Electors Act, No. 44 of 1980, and subject to the Article 89 of the Constitution, any citizen of Sri Lanka— Internally displaced persons eligible to be registered.
- (a) who is or had been an internally displaced person;
- (b) whose name appeared in the register of electors for
20 any electoral district in the Northern Province or Eastern Province for any year, until the end of the year 2009; and

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