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SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF
SRI LANKA**

SRI LANKA ELECTRICITY (AMENDMENT)

**A
BILL**

to amend the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 20 of 2009

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STATEMENT OF LEGAL EFFECT

Clause 2: This clause amends section 28 of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 20 of 2009 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal enactment”) by the repeal of subsection (3) thereof and the legal effect of the section as amended is to remove the liability of the distribution licensee to pay interest on a security provided by a person who requires electricity supply.

Clause 3: This clause amends section 43 of the principal enactment in subsections (4), (6) and (8) of that section and the legal effect of the section as amended is–

- (a) to extend the application of the exemptions granted under paragraph (b) of the proviso to subsection (4), to new generation plants or existing generation plants generating electricity through non-conventional renewable energy sources for which non-conventional energy resource maps are not available and be operated at the Standardized Tariff approved by the Cabinet of Ministers;
- (b) to make consequential amendments to subsection (6), by replacing that subsection;
- (c) to replace the definition of the expression “Standardized Power Purchase Agreement with a new definition and to include the definition of the expression “Standardized Tariff”.

Sri Lanka Electricity (Amendment)

L.D.—O. 19/2014

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SRI LANKA ELECTRICITY
ACT, No. 20 OF 2009

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Sri Lanka Electricity Short title.
(Amendment) Act, No. of 2018.

5 **2.** Section 28 of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 20 of Amendment
2009 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal enactment”) is of Section 28
hereby amended by the repeal of subsection (3) of that of Act, No.
section. 20 of 2009.

10 **3.** Section 43 of the principal enactment is hereby Amendment
amended as follows:- of Section 43
of the
principal
enactment.

(1) in subsection (4) -

15 (a) in the proviso to paragraph (a) thereof, by the
substitution for the words “to be operated at
least cost;” of the words “to be operated at
least cost; or”;

(b) by the repeal of paragraph (b) thereof and the
substitution therefor of the following:—

20 “(b) on a permit issued by the Sri Lanka
Sustainable Energy Authority
established by the Sri Lanka
Sustainable Energy Authority Act, No.
35 of 2007 under section 18 of that Act
for the generation of electricity
25 through non-conventional renewable
energy sources, for which no open
bidding process is possible due to non-
availability of non-conventional
renewable energy resource maps and to

be operated at the Standardized Tariff approved by the Cabinet of Ministers and governed by a Standardized Power Purchase Agreement; or”;

- 5 (2) by the repeal of subsection (6) thereof and the substitution therefor of the following:—

“(6) Notwithstanding an exemption granted to any person, from the submission of a tender-

- 10 (a) under paragraph (b) of the proviso to subsection (4), the transmission licensee shall satisfy itself, that such person is capable of developing the new generation
15 plant or expansion of the generating capacity of an existing generation plant, in compliance with the technical and economical parameters of the transmission licensee and is capable of selling
20 electrical energy or electricity generating capacity generated using a non – conventional renewable energy source, at the standardized tariff approved by the
25 Cabinet of Ministers, in compliance with the terms and conditions of a Standardized Power Purchase Agreement; or
- 30 (b) under paragraph (a) or (c) of the proviso to subsection (4), the transmission licensee shall negotiate with the person concerned and satisfy itself, that
35 such person is capable of developing the new generation

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(3) in subsection (8) thereof —

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- (b) by the addition immediately after the definition of the expression “Standardized Power Purchase Agreement” of the following definition:-

5 “Standardized Tariff” means the price
payable by the transmission licensee
to purchase electrical energy from a
power plant generating electricity of
10 MW or less than that in capacity,
10 authorized by a permit issued by the
Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy
Authority, under section 18 of the Sri
Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority
Act, No.35 of 2007, through the non-
15 conventional renewable energy
sources, for which open bidding process
is not possible due to non-availability
of non-conventional renewable energy
resource maps and recommended by
20 the non-conventional renewable energy
purchase price determination
Committee while taking into
consideration, the financial viability
and affordability of the transmission
25 licensee and the consumers, approved
by the Cabinet of Ministers.”.

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.

