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PART I : SECTION (I) — GENERAL

Government Notifications

STAMP DUTY (SPECIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, No 12 of 2006

Order Under Section 5

BY virtue of the powers vested in me under Section 5 of the Stamp Duty (Special Provisions) Act, No. 12 of 2006 read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, President, of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, do by this Order exempt from Stamp Duty the instruments specified in the Schedule hereto-

MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA,
President,
Minister of Finance and Planning.

Ministry of Finance and Planning,
Colombo 01,
03rd April, 2006.

SCHEDULE

1. Affidavit made on the request of any public officer or in compliance with any requirement imposed by any written law;
2. Bond or mortgage given by any public officer or his sureties for due execution of his office;
3. Instrument executed by, or on behalf of, or in favour of the Government of any country; being a country in respect of which an Order under Section 67 (3) of Act, No.43 of 1982 is in force;
4. Any deed for the mortgage of food crops;
5. Share certificate issued in lieu of share certificate lost or destroyed, or new share certificate for a greater or less number of shares in lieu of existing share certificates but not exceeding in value of the existing share certificates;
6. Share certificate issued, in relation to which Share Transaction Levy under Part II of the Finance Act, No.5 of 2005 has been charged;
7. Any share certificate issued in pursuance of the issue, transfer or assignment of any share in the Credit Information Bureau of Sri Lanka established by Act No.18 of 1990;
8. Instrument executed in pursuance of the provisions of the Farmers Pension and Social Security Benefit Scheme Act No.12 of 1987;

9. Instrument executed by, or on behalf of, or in favour of, a registered co-operative society within the meaning of the Co-operative Societies Law, No.5 of 1972;
10. Instrument executed by a member of a registered co-operative society within the meaning of the Co-operative Societies law, No.5 of 1972 in favour of and relating to the business of such registered society;
11. Any specified Instrument in respect of supply of any good or service to a Diplomatic Mission of any State or any organization to which the provisions of the Diplomatic Privileges Act No 9 of 1996, apply provided that reciprocal benefits are available to their counterparts from Sri Lanka;
12. (a) Policy of life or medical insurance; or
(b) Policy of insurance on
 - (i) plant, machinery or equipment used in the construction industry or agriculture; or
 - (ii) any motor vehicle other than any motor vehicle used for private traveling .
13. Any deed of Mortgage affecting any air-craft registered under the Air Navigation Act (Chapter 365);
14. Mortgage executed in respect of any loan for Rs. 3,000,000 or less taken for the -
 - (a) construction of a house or
 - (b) purchase of a house or site for the construction of a house, where the mortgagee is any bank registered under the Banking Act, No. 30 of 1988 or any finance company registered under the Finance Company Act, No. 78 of 1988, or any provident fund approved by the Commissioner General of Inland revenue for the purposes of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006;
15. A finance lease executed in respect of any property (other than any such finance lease in respect of motor vehicles used for travelling);
16. Any lease or rent in respect of a building where such lease or rent payment does not exceed Rs.5, 000.00 per month.
17. Receipt or discharge given for any money or other property amounting to not more than 1000 rupees, or for remuneration amounting to not more than 25,000 rupees payable by any employer to any employee.
18. A receipt given for monies withdrawn from a current or savings account in a commercial or specialized bank registered under Banking Act. No.30 of 1988.
19. Conveyance or transfer by the Government or by any person, for or on behalf of the Government; where no consideration was received;
20. The following documents filed in legal proceedings:-
 - (a) documents filed in any court, by public officers suing, or being sued or intervening, virtute officii, in any proceedings in such court;
 - (b) documents filed in any court, by a person duly admitted to sue, defend or intervene, as a pauper in any proceedings instituted in such court;
 - (c) documents filed in any court, by a person applying to be declared an insolvent by such court;
 - (d) all documents filed in any court for the purposes of an application for an order in the nature of a writ of habeas corpus;
 - (f) all documents filed by or on behalf of any person, who is certified by a prescribed officer as suing, defending or intervening with legal aid provided under the Legal Aid Law, No.27 of 1978;
 - (g) all documents filed in any court by, or on behalf of any person claiming damages arising from death or damage caused by a motor vehicle;
 - (h) motions filed in any court;
 - (i) warrant issued by any court, whether on application or on its own motion.