

*Sri Lanka Tea Board (Amendment) Act, No. 44 of 1990*

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**AN ACT TO AMEND THE SRI LANKA TEA BOARD LAW, No. 14  
of 1975**

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 Tea Board (Amendment) Act, No. 44 of 1990. Short title.

2. The following new sections are hereby inserted immediately after section 5 and shall have effect as sections 5A, 5B and 5C respectively, of the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law, No. 14 of 1975 :- Insertion of  
new sections  
5A, 5B and  
5C in Law  
No. 14 of  
197-5.

**“ Tea  
Council.**

5A. (1) There shall be a Tea Council (hereinafter referred to as “ the Council ”) with not more than twenty members nominated by the Minister, from among persons who have a knowledge of, or experience in the tea industry, with special reference to planting, manufacture, sale, advertising and marketing, ‘export and finance.

(2) A member of the Council may at any time resign from office by a letter in that behalf addressed to the Minister.

(8) The Minister may, at any time and without assigning a reason therefor, remove a member of the Council from office.

(4) Where a member of the Council vacates office by death, resignation or removal from office, the Minister may, having regard to the provisions of subsection (1), **appoint** another person to act in the place of such member. The member so appointed shall hold office for the remainder of the period of office of the member who he succeeds.

(5) Where a member of the Council is temporarily unable to discharge his functions due to illness, absence from Sri Lanka or other cause, the Minister may, **having** regard to the provisions of subsection (1), appoint another person to act in his place.

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(6) Subject to the provisions of subsections (2) and (3), the term of office of a member of the Council shall be three years,

(7) A member vacating office by effluxion of time shall be eligible for re-appointment,

(8) The Minister shall appoint a member of the Council as the Chairman of the Council and another member as a Vice-Chairman of the Council.

(9) The Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Council may resign from his office by a letter in that behalf addressed to the Minister.

(10) The Minister may, at any time and without assigning a reason therefor, remove the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Council from office.

(11) The term of office of the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Council shall be the period of his membership of the Council.

(12) Where the Chairman of the Council is temporarily unable to discharge his functions due to illness, absence from Sri Lanka or other cause, the Minister may appoint another member of the Council to act in his place.

(13) The Council may regulate the procedure in regard to its meeting and the transaction of business at such meetings.

**Function  
of the  
Council.**

513. The function of the Council shall be to advise the Minister on all aspects of the tea industry, including planting, manufacture, sales and manufacture and export.

**Duties  
of  
Council.**

5c. It shall be the duty of the Council to advise the Minister on all such matters relating to the tea industry or the administration of this Law as may be referred to it for advice by the Minister :

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Provided however that nothing in this section shall be read or construed as prohibiting the Council from making any recommendation to the Minister on any aspect of the tea industry or the administration of this Law, notwithstanding that such matter may not have been referred to the Council for its advice. ”.

3. 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.**