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An Act to amend the Requisitioning of Land Act, No. 33 of 1950, and, in regard to certain lands of which possession is deemed to be taken under that Act and in respect of which proceedings under the repealed Land Acquisition Ordinance are pending in any District Court, to provide for the method of determination of the market value of such lands for the purposes of the award of compensation.

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BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Representatives of Ceylon in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Requisitioning of Land (Amendment) Act, No. 55 of 1961.

Short title.

2. Section 2 of the Requisitioning of Land Act, No. 33 of 1950, (hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act"), is hereby amended in sub-section (1) of that section as follows:—

Amendment of section 2 of Act No. 33 of 1950.

- (1) by the relettering of paragraph (b) of that sub-section as paragraph (c); and
- (2) by the insertion, immediately after paragraph (a) of that sub-section, of the following paragraph:—
 - "(b) for the purpose of implementing any such scheme as is approved by the Prime Minister for the importation, storage or distribution of essential commodities by any Government department, local authority, corporation or co-operative society; or ".
- 3. Section 4 of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—

Amendment of section 4 of the principal Act.

(1) by the substitution, for the word and letter "paragraph (b)", of the words and letters "paragraph (b) or paragraph (c)";

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- (2) by the substitution, for the words "authorise a person", of the words "authorise a person or co-operative society"; and
- (3) by the substitution, for the words "between such person", of the words "between such person or co-operative society".

Amendment of section 6 of the principal Act.

- 4. (1) Section 6 of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—
 - (a) in sub-section (1) of that section, by the insertion, immediately after the first Proviso to that sub-section, of the following new Proviso:—
 - "Provided, further, that in the case of the land or lands specified in each entry in column I of the Schedule to this Act the rent payable for the purposes of paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) during the period for which possession of such land or lands is retained by virtue of this Act shall be the amount specified in the corresponding entry in column II of that Schedule:";
 - (b) by the insertion, immediately after subsection (2) of that section, of the following new sub-section:—
 - " (2A) No compensation shall be payable under paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) for any damage done to any land of which possession is deemed to be taken under section 2 of this Act by reason of the demolition of any building or structure which was erected on that land before the appointed date by a competent authority or any person acting on his behalf during the period for which that land was in the occupation of such competent authority or person Defence (Miscellaneous) theRegulations as having effect whether before or after February 24, 1946.";
 - (c) by the renumbering of sub-section (4A) of that section (as amended by Act No. 20 of 1953) as sub-section (4B); and

- (d) by the insertion, immediately after subsection (4) of that section, of the following new sub-section: --
 - " (4A) In determining for the purposes of sub-section (4) the market value of any land of which possession is deemed to be taken by virtue of section 2 of this Act, no account shall be taken of any appreciation in the value thereof due to any building or structure erected, or any work done, on that land before the appointed date by a competent authority or any person acting on his behalf during the period for which that land was in the occupation of such competent authority or person under the Defence (Miscellaneous) Regulations as having effect whether before or after February 24, 1946.".
- (2) The amendments made in the principal Act by sub-section (1) of this section shall be deemed to have come into force on the date on which the principal Act came into operation.
- 5. Section 16 of the principal Act is hereby amended in sub-section (1) of that section by the substitution, for the words "authority or person", of the words "authority, person, local authority or cooperative society ".

Amendment of section 16 of the principal Act.

Section 21 of the principal Act is hereby amended by the insertion, immediately after the definition of "land", of the following new definition:—

Amendment of section 21 of the principal

- " "local authority" means any Municipal Council, Urban Council, Town Council or Village Committee;'.
- Where rent in excess of the amount payable under section 6 (1) (a) of the principal Act was paid in respect of any land of which possession was deemed to have been taken by virtue of section 2 of the principal Act and was terminated before the date of commencement of this Act, such payment shall be deemed to have been valid.

Validation of payment of rent in excess of that payable under section 6 (1) (a) of the principal Act.

Addition of Schedule to the principal Act.

8. (1) The principal Act is hereby amended by the addition, at the end thereof, of the following Schedule:—

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Column I		lumn II
Description of land	Rent	per month
Western Province		Rs. c.
1. Tonbridge situated in Katunayake		8 50
2. Goluwapokuna Estate situated in Katunaya	ake S	21,520 87
3. Warrings Bungalow Estate (Lot A) situated		1,010 01
Katunayake	•••	438 63
4. Warrings Bungalow Estate (Lot C) situated Katunayake	. in	1,446 00
5. Warrings Bungalow Estate (a portion extent 52A. 3R. 22P.) situated in Kanayake		1,071 19
6. Kadirana Group (portion) situated	in	•
Katunayake		3,156 30
7. Kadirana Estate situated in Katunayake 8. Dambuwa Estate (part) situated in Ka		174 00
nayake	• • •	88 00
9. Land depicted as lot 16 in Requisition Sur- Plan 69 and situated in Katunayake	vey	10 00
10. Land depicted as lot 21 in Requisition Sur Plan 69 and situated in Katunayake	v ey 	12 00
11. Land depicted as lot 23 in Requisition Sur Plan 69 and situated in Katunayake	-	2 00
12. Land depicted as lot 30 in Requisition Surv		
Plan 69 and situated in Katunayake 13. Land depicted as lot 31 in Requisition Sur	vey	5 0
Plan 69 and situated in Katunayake		2 25
14. Land depicted as lot 32 in Requisition Sur Plan 69 and situated in Katunayake	•••	5 66
15. Land depicted as lot 113 in Requisition S vey Plan 69 and situated in Katunay		50
16. Land depicted as lots 118 and 120 in Rec sition Survey Plan 69 and situated Katunayake	qui- in	5 50
17. Land depicted as lot 121 in Requisition S vey Plan 69 and situated in Katunay		5 00
18. Land depicted as lot 122 in Requisition 8	Sur-	,
vey Plan 69 and situated in Katunay 19. Land depicted as lot 19 in Requisition Sur		58
Plan 69 and situated in Katunayake 20. Land depicted as lot 21 in Requisition Sur	•••	18 15
Plan 69B and situated in Katunayake		25
21. Land depicted as lot 22 in Requisition Sur Plan 69B and situated in Katunayake	vey	25
22. Land depicted as lot 24 in Requisition Sur Plan 69B and situated in Katunayake	vey	50
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48 .	Land in extent 1.2 perches situated in Katunayake	75
49	Land in extent 1 perch situated in Katunayake	25
5 0.	Land in extent 2.1 perches situated in Katunayake	75
51 .	Land in extent 2.3 perches situated in Katunayake	1 00
52 .	Land in extent 5 perches situated in Katunayake	1 00
-	Land in extent 9 perches situated in Katunayake	1 25
54.	Land in extent 4.8 perches situated in Katunayake	75
55.	Land in extent 6.5 perches situated in Katunayake	1 75
56.	Land in extent 4.5 perches situated in Katunayake	50
57.	Land in extent 2.2 perches situated in Katunayake	1 00
58.	Land in extent 4.5 perches situated in Katunayake	1 25
<i>5</i> 9.	Land in extent 3.5 perches situated in Katunayake	1 00
6 0.	Land in extent 3.2 perches situated in Katunayake	1 00
61.	Josita Estate (Part) situated in Ekala	112 00
	Cinco Estate (Part) situated in Ekala	48 00
	Ekala Estate (Part) situated in Ekala	200 00
٠ -	Land depicted as lot 5 in Requisition Survey Plan 71A, known as Dagonna and situated in Horahena	93 00
65.	Lands known as Kurunduwatte and Borales- gamuwa situated in Gangodawila	12 00
66.	Pelendegahakanatta situated in Gangodawila	2 3 00
67.	Kekunagahawatte situated in Gangodawila	12 00
68.	Kekunagahawatte (No. 2) situated in Gangodawila	28 62
69.	Land depicted as lots 5 and 6 in Requisition Survey Plan 42 situated in Gangodawila	40 00
70.	Land depicted as lot 7 in Requisition Survey Plan 42 situated in Gangodawila	30 00
71.	Kimbulapitiya (lot 5) situated in Horahena	21 50
	Dagonna (lot 21) situated in Horahena	153 00
	Kimbulapitiya (lot 8) situated in Horahena	84 00
	Kimbulapitiya (lot 6) situated in Horahena	14 50
	Kimbulapitiya (lot 7) situated in Horahena	44 00

Column I Description of land Re	Column II nt per month
	$Rs.\ c.$
76. Kimbulapitiya (lot 4) situated in Horahena	26 00
77. Land depicted as lot 3 in Requisition Survey Plan 7B situated in Gangodawila	336 00
78. Land depicted as lots 14 and 18 in Requisition Survey Plan 7 situated in Gangodawila	
79. Land described as Block 2A situated in Gangodawila	1 00
80. Land depicted as lot 15 in Requisition Survey Plan 7 situated in Gangodawila	30 00
81. Micadewatte Estate, Colombo District	906 64
82. No. 556, Second Division, Maradana, Colombo (presently No. 555)	163 00
83. No. 47, Church Street, Colombo	48 90
84. No. 24, Galpotte Street, Colombo	69 27
85. No. 9, Hyde Park Corner, Colombo	16 30
86. Numbers 31 and 33, Galle Road, Bambala	
pitiya, Colombo	105 45
87. No. 259, Layards Broadway, Colombo	40 16
88. No. 336, Deans Road, Colombo	124 53
89. No. 371, Grandpass Road, Colombo	28 03
90. No. 138, Skinners Road South, Colombo	40 16
91. No. 44, Cotta Road, Colembo	73 35
92. No. 429, Havelock Road, Colombo	28 40
93. No. 85, Main Street, Colombo	183 38
94. Numbers 177 and 179, Galle Road, Wella watte, Colombo	. 104 58
95. No. 103, Havelock Road, Colombo	56 55
96. No. 74, Deans Road, Colombo	40 12
97. No. 218, Deans Road, Colombo	44 82
98. No. 24, Silversmith Street, Colombo	27 67
99. No. 198, Bankshall Street, Colombo	203 00
100. No. 219, Main Street, Colombo	478 16
101. No. 893, Maradana Road, Colombo	. 48 65
102. No. 198, Wolfendhal Street, Colombo	. 20 25
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104. No. 202, Wolfendhal Street, Colombo	. 20 25
105. No. 625 (part), Aluthmawatte Road, Colombo	
106. No. 129 (part), Church Road, Mattakuliya Colombo	-
107. No. 416, Baseline Road, Colombo	· · ·

Column I Description of land	Column II Rènt per month
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108. No. 277, Galle Road, Wellawatte, Colomb	oo 24 32
109. No. 93, Pickerings Road, Colombo .	36 42
110. No. 369, Aluthmawatte Road, Colombo .	38 88 .
111. No. 238, Dam Street, Colombo	89 65
112. No. 146, Nagalagam Street, Colombo .	17 90
113. No. 19, Ramsay Road, Colombo .	40 88
114. No. 35, Norris Road, Colombo .	69 15
115. No. 327, Galle Road, Kollupitiya, Colomb	72 72
116. No. 137, St. Michaels Road, Colombo .	60 75
117. No. 194, Dematagoda Road, Colombo .	81 50
118. Numbers 65, 65/1, 65/2, 65/3, 65/6, 65/6, 65/8, 65/9, 65/10 and 12, 65/11 and 6	9,
,	1,515 90
	37 75
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121. Land depicted as lot 3 in Requisition Surve Plan 11 known as Kottambagahakelawat and situated in Kalutara District	
122. Land described as lot 10 in Requisition Survey Plan 11 known as Kottambagahakelawat and situated in Kalutara District	
123. Land described as lot 15 in Requisition Survey Plan 11 known as Kottambagahakelawat and situated in Kalutara District	ey ote 20 55
124. "Beatrice Villa" (building only) situated Kalutara	in 52 68
Southern Province	4.00.00
125. Numbers 148 and 150, Main Street, Galle.	142 92
Eastern Province	
Thirukkaikuda Snug Cove Karimalaiuttu Nachchikuda	٠
127. Nachchikudakani Nallathanniodaikadu] Situated in Trincom	talee 539 04
128. Sinnakunchikadu situated in Trincomalee .	

(2) The amendment made in the principal Act by sub-section (1) of this section shall be deemed to have come into force on the date on which the principal Act came into operation.

Where in respect of any land of which possession is deemed to be taken by virtue of section 2 of the principal Act proceedings under the repealed Land Acquisition Ordinance are pending in any District Court on the date on which this Act comes into force, then, for the purposes of determining the amount of compensation to be awarded under that Ordinance for any such land, the market value of such land shall, notwithstanding anything in that Ordinance, be the market value which such land would have at the time of awarding compensation if it had remained in the condition in which it was at the date on which possession thereof was taken by a competent authority under regulation 34 of the Defence (Miscellaneous) Regulations as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945, of Parliament of the United Kingdom.

Method of determination of the market value of lands of which possession is deemed to be taken under section 2 of the principal Act and in respect of which. proceedings under the repealed Land Acquisition Ordinance are pending in any District Court.