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AN ACT TO AMEND THE COCONUT PRODUCTS ORDINANCE.

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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 Coconut Products (Amendment) Act, No. 20 of 1962.

Short title.

2. Section 3 of the Coconut Products Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the "principal enactment", is hereby amended by the insertion, immediately after paragraph (6) of that section, of the following new paragraph:—

Amendment of
section 3
of Chapter
160.

"(6A) to grant financial assistance to manufacturers of desiccated coconut, in accordance with regulations that may be made in that behalf, for the purpose of enabling such manufacturers to improve the processes of milling in mills belonging to them."

3. (1) The following new sections are hereby inserted immediately after section 20 of the principal enactment, and shall have effect as section 20A and section 20B of that enactment:—

Insertion of
new sections
20A and 20B
in the principal
enactment.

"Desiccated
coconut not
to be exported
except on
licence.

20A. On and after such date as may be fixed in that behalf by the Minister by Notification published in the *Gazette*, no person shall export any desiccated coconut from Ceylon except under the authority of a desiccated coconut general export licence or a desiccated coconut special export licence issued by the Board.

Regulations
relating to
manufacture
and export
of desiccated
coconut.

20B. Regulations may be made for or in respect of all or any of the following matters:—

(a) the regulation, inspection, supervision, and control of the manufacture, packing, transport, storing, and export of desiccated coconut;

- (b) prescribing standards of quality to which all desiccated coconut manufactured shall conform;
- (c) ensuring that desiccated coconut exported from Ceylon is free from impurities or foreign matter, and is of good quality;
- (d) the inspection, supervision, regulation and control of factories, stores, buildings, equipment, and machinery used or to be used for the manufacture, packing, or storing of desiccated coconut;
- (e) the issue, renewal, suspension, and cancellation of desiccated coconut general export licences and desiccated coconut special export licences, and the terms and conditions subject to which such general or special licences shall be issued, and the manner of disposal of desiccated coconut in respect of which such licences are refused;
- (f) the registration of manufacturers or shippers of desiccated coconut, the terms and conditions subject to which such registration shall be effected, and the circumstances in which the registration of any such manufacturer or shipper may be renewed, suspended, or cancelled;
- (g) the prohibition of the manufacture or shipment of desiccated coconut except by registered manufacturers or shippers;

- (h) applications for registration as manufacturers or shippers of desiccated coconut, and prescribing forms for such applications;
- (i) the fees to be paid for the registration of manufacturers or shippers of desiccated coconut and for the issue of desiccated coconut general or special export licences, and the time and mode of payment of such fees;
- (j) appeals to the Minister against the refusal to register, or to renew the registration of, any person as a manufacturer or shipper of desiccated coconut, or against the suspension or cancellation of the registration of any manufacturer or shipper, or against the refusal, suspension, or cancellation of desiccated coconut general or special export licences;
- (k) the manner in which such appeals to the Minister shall be preferred and disposed of, and the procedure to be followed at the hearing of such appeals;
- (l) the fees to be paid by persons preferring appeals to the Minister, and the time and mode or payment of such fees;
- (m) the investigation of complaints made by importers regarding any desiccated coconut which has been exported from Ceylon; and
- (n) all matters incidental to or connected with the matters referred to in this subsection."

(2) Section 20B, inserted in the principal enactment by sub-section (1) of this section, shall be deemed to have come into force on the date of commencement of the principal enactment and accordingly, the Desiccated Coconut (Manufacture and Export) Regulations, 1961, published in *Gazette* No. 12,400 of May 5, 1961, shall be deemed to have been duly made under the said section 20B, and to have been valid and effectual for all the purposes for which they were made.

Amendment of section 23 of the principal enactment.

4. Section 23 of the principal enactment is hereby amended by the insertion, immediately after sub-section (2) thereof, of the following new sub-section:—

“(2A) In order to provide an income for the Board to grant, under the provisions of paragraph (6A) of section 3, financial assistance to manufacturers of desiccated coconut, there shall be charged, levied and paid, in addition to the export duty on desiccated coconut imposed under sub-section (1) of this section, a further export duty of twenty-five cents on every hundredweight of desiccated coconut and so in proportion for any less weight of such desiccated coconut.”.

Amendment of section 30 of the principal enactment.

5. Section 30 of the principal enactment is hereby amended in sub-section (2) thereof, by the insertion immediately after paragraph (a), of the following new paragraph:—

“(aa) the grant of financial assistance to manufacturers of desiccated coconut for the purpose of enabling such manufacturers to improve the processes of milling in mills belonging to them, the terms and conditions upon which such financial assistance may be granted, and all matters pertaining to or consequent upon such grant, including the mode of recovery of sums so granted;”.