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Rationalisation of Government Agencies (Agriculture Sector) (Amendment) Bill

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THE RATIONALISATION OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES (AGRICULTURE SECTOR) (AMENDMENT)
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MEMORANDUM

1. Policy and principles of the Bill

The policy behind the Bill is to give effect to the Government Policy for Rationalisation of Government Agencies and Public Expenditure (RAPEX) which was adopted by the Cabinet on 22nd February 2021.

2. Defects in existing law

The Constitution establishes a definite number of Government agencies, including constitutional commissions, authorities, boards, local councils and other statutory bodies. These were established to perform certain specified constitutional functions. Over the years, however, there has been a proliferation of agencies established by Acts of Parliament, Executive Orders and administrative arrangements. Whereas most of the agencies are necessary due to the critical nature of the functions they perform, Government has established that a certain limited number of agencies were established without due consideration to the aspects of institutional harmony, functional duplications, overlaps and affordability. Government has also established that some agencies have served the purpose for which they were established. The mandate of a few other agencies has been overtaken by events. Such agencies need to be rationalised.

More importantly, the proliferation of agencies has created mandate overlaps and jurisdictional ambiguities among the agencies. Additionally, the high cost of administering the agencies has drained the national treasury at the expense of effective service delivery. This has overstretched the capacity of Government to sustain them. Government has also established that the generous salary structures of the agencies has created salary disparities between employees of the agencies and public officers in the traditional civil service leading to demotivation of human resources in the mainstream public service.

3. Remedies proposed in the Bill.

The intention of the Bill, therefore, is to amend or repeal several Acts of Parliament to—

- (a) enable the merging, mainstreaming and rationalisation of agencies, commissions, authorities and public expenditure thereby, *inter alia*, relieving the Government of the financial drain on its resources and the burden of wasteful administration and expenditure;
- (b) facilitate efficient and effective service delivery by clearly delineating the mandates and functions of government agencies and departments, thereby avoiding duplication of mandates and functions;
- (c) promote coordinated administrative arrangements, policies and procedures for—
- ensuring the efficient and successful management, financial accounting and budgetary discipline of government agencies and departments;
- (ii) enabling the Government to play its proper role more effectively; and
- (iii) enforcing accountability;

(d) to restructure and re-organise agencies and departments of Government by eliminating bloated structures and functional ambiguities in Government agencies and departments.

4. Provisions of the Bill

The Bill has seven parts and 156 clauses.

Part I—Preliminary

Part I deals with preliminary matters including interpretation and the purpose of the Bill.

Part II — Amendment of Cotton Development Act, Cap. 30.

The purpose of amending the Cotton Development Act, Cap. 30 is to mainstream the functions of the Cotton Development Organisation into the Ministry responsible for cotton processing and marketing (Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries). The amendment abolishes the Cotton Development Organisation and transfers the functions of the Cotton Development Organisation to the Ministry responsible for cotton processing and marketing.

Part III —Repeal of Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council Act, Cap. 211

The purpose of the repeal of Cap. 211 is -

- (a) to abolish the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council; and
- (b) to transfer the functions of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council to the Ministry responsible for agriculture.

Part IV—Amendment of National Coffee Act, 2021 (Act 17 of 2021)

The purpose of amending the National Coffee Act, 2021 (Act 17 of 2021) is to mainstream the functions of the Coffee Development Authority into the Ministry responsible for agriculture. The amendment abolishes the Coffee Development Authority and transfers

the functions of the Coffee Development Authority to the Ministry responsible for agriculture.

Part V—Amendment of Dairy Industry Act, Cap. 85

The purpose of amending the Dairy Industry Act, Cap. 85 is to mainstream the functions of the Dairy Development Authority into the Ministry responsible for agriculture. The amendment abolishes the Dairy Development Authority and transfers the functions of the Dairy Development Authority to the Ministry responsible for agriculture.

Part VI —Amendment of Agricultural Chemicals (Control) Act, 2007 (Act 1 of 2007)

The purpose of amending the Agricultural Chemicals (Control) Act, 2007 (Act 1 of 2007) is to mainstream the functions of the Agricultural Chemical Board established under section 5 of the Act into the Ministry responsible for agriculture.

Part VII — Amendment of National Agricultural Advisory Services Act, 2001 (Act 10 of 2001)

The purpose of amending the National Agricultural Advisory Services Act, 2001 is to mainstream the functions of the National Agricultural Advisory Services Organisation (NAADS) established under section 3 of the Act into the Ministry responsible for agriculture. The amendment abolishes the National Agricultural Advisory Services Organisation (NAADS) and the Secretariat established by the Act.

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THE RATIONALISATION OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES (AGRICULTURE SECTOR) (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2024

An Act to repeal, and to make amendments to, certain Acts of Parliament establishing statutory bodies in the agriculture sector in order to give effect to the Government program on rationalisation of Government agencies and public expenditure, and for related purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by Parliament as follows:

PART I—PRELIMINARY

1. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

"agency" means a body established by an Act of Parliament and includes an authority;

"commission" means a body established by the Constitution;

"currency point" has the value assigned to it in the Schedule to this Act;

"Government" means the Government of Uganda.

"Ministry" means the ministry responsible for agriculture

2. Objectives of this Act

- 1) The main objective of this Act is to give effect to the Government Policy for Rationalisation of Government Agencies and Public Expenditure adopted by the Cabinet on 22nd February, 2021 and contained in Cabinet Minute No. 43(CT 2021).
- (2) Without prejudice to the general effect of subsection (1), the following objectives shall be deemed to fall under the objective specified in that subsection—
 - (a) the merging, mainstreaming and rationalisation of agencies, commissions, authorities and public expenditure thereby, inter alia, relieving the Government of the financial drain on its resources and the burden of wasteful administration and expenditure;
 - (b) the facilitation of efficient and effective service delivery by clearly delineating the mandates and functions of government agencies and departments and thereby avoiding duplication of mandates and functions;
 - the promotion of coordinated administrative arrangements, policies and procedures for—
 - (i) ensuring the efficient and successful management, financial accounting and budget my discipline of government agencies and departments
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- (iii) enforcing accountability; and
- (d) the restructuring and re-organisation of agencies and departments of Government by eliminating bloated structures and functional ambiguities in Government agencies and departments.

PART II—AMENDMENT OF COTTON DEVELOPMENT ACT, CAP. 30.

3. Purpose of amendment of Cap. 30

The purpose of amendment of the Cotton Development Act, Cap. 30 is to—

- (a) mainstream the functions of the Cotton Development Organisation into the Ministry responsible for cotton processing and marketing; and
- (b) abolish the Cotton Development Organisation and transfers the functions of the Cotton Development Organisation to the Ministry responsible for cotton processing and marketing.

4. Dissolution of Cotton Development Organisation

On the commencement of this Act, the Cotton Development Organisation shall be dissolved.

5. Amendment of long title of Cap. 30

For the long title of Cap. 30, there is substituted the following—

"An Act to monitor the production, processing and marketing of cotton so as to enhance the quality of lint cotton exported and locally sold, to promote the distribution of high-quality cotton seed and generally to facilitate the development of the cotton industry.".

6. Amendment of section 1 of Cap. 30.

Section 1 of Cap. 30 is amended—

(a) by repealing paragraphs (a) and (c);

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(b) by inserting immediately after "Minister" the following—"(ma) "Ministry" means the Ministry responsible for cotton processing and marketing;"

7. Amendment of title of Part II of Cap. 30

For the title to Part II of Cap. 30, there is substituted the following—

"PART II—ADMINISTRATION OF ACT".

8. Replacement of section 2 of Cap. 30

For section 2 of Cap. 30 there is substituted the following—

"2. Administration of Act

This Act shall be administered by the Ministry.".

9. Replacement of section 3 of Cap. 30

For section 3 of Cap. 30, there is substituted the following—

"3. Power to impose cess on lint cotton

The Ministry may, for and in connection with its objectives and functions under this Act impose a cess on sales of lint cotton and may charge for services provided by it.".

10. Replacement of section 4 of Cap. 30

For section 4 of Cap. 30, there is substituted the following—

"4. Objectives of Act

The objectives of the Act shall be to promote and monitor production and marketing of cotton and represent all aspects of the cotton industry.".

11. Replacement of section 5 of Cap. 30.

For section 5 of Cap. 30, there is substituted the following—

"5. Duties of Ministry

The duties of the Ministry shall be-

- (a) to monitor, through registration on terms and conditions prescribed by the Ministry, all persons, organisations and bodies—
 - (i) dealing in cotton seed;
 - (ii) dealing in seed cotton;
 - (iii) dealing in lint cotton;
 - (iv) exporting lint cotton;
 - (v) operating a ginnery;
- (b) to set standards for Uganda seed cotton and lint against international standards;
- (c) to provide an objective assessment and lint classification service for the industry by issue of certificates on a fee-for-work basis;
- (d) to monitor and provide advice on lint and seed cotton quality standards;
- (e) to procure, process and distribute planting seed within segregated areas and, where appropriate, supervise the production and distribution of later generation seeds outside segregated areas through selected ginneries;
- (f) to announce, if it deems appropriate, indicative farmgate, ginnery buying and export prices and to monitor prices actually paid at these levels together with prices of cotton seed for planting and milling;
- (g) to announce the commencement and closure of the cotton marketing season;

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- (h) to collect, maintain and disseminate statistical information in respect of all aspects of the cotton industry;
- (i) to facilitate cotton production, cotton research and extension;
- (j) to advise the Government on policies towards the subsector;
- (k) to promote training for technicians, cotton processors, quality controllers and other related disciplines;
- (l) to promote the formation of associations among different groups in the industry;
- (m) to monitor and advise the cotton industry on the procurement and distribution of cotton inputs;
- (n) to inspect ginneries to ensure compliance with registration requirements; and
- (o) to do anything connected with, or necessary in the performance of, the above functions."

12. Repeal of Part III of Cap. 30

Part III (sections 6 and 7) of Cap. 30 is repealed.

13. Amendment of section 9 of Cap. 30

Section 9 of Cap. 30 is amended by repealing the words "in consultation with the Organisation" appearing between the words "set" and "may".

14. Amendment of section 10 of Cap. 30

Section 10 of Cap. 30 is amended—

- (a) by substituting for subsection (1), the following—
 - "(1) The Minister shall, annually, cause certified cotton seed to be distributed to cotton growers for purposes of planting";

- (b) in subsection (2) by substituting for word "organisation" the word "Ministry";
- (c) by substituting for subsection (3) the following—
 - "(3) A person shall not plant cotton seed, other than seed which the Minister has caused to be distributed.";
- (d) by substituting for subsection (4) the following—
 - "(4) The Minister may require any ginner or any other person to set aside for distribution to growers, any cotton seed in his or her possession and may require any ginner to produce any cotton seed required for distribution in advance of any other cotton seed that he or she is producing through ginning raw cotton.";
- (e) by substituting for subsection (5) the following—
 - "(5) The Minister may require any ginner to distribute any cotton seed, whether set aside at his or her ginnery, or at any other ginnery, for distribution to growers in the neighbourhood of his or her ginnery or to dispatch any cotton seed set aside for distribution at his or her ginnery to any other place in Uganda."
- (f) in subsection (6) by substituting for the word "organisation", the word "Ministry".

15. Amendment of section 11 of Cap. 30

Section 11 of Cap. 30 is amended by substituting for subsection (1) the following—

"(1) The Minister may, by general notice published in the Gazette, prohibit the export or import of cotton seed, either generally or from any specified area, for a specified period or until a further general notice is issued in that behalf."

16. Amendment of section 12 of Cap. 30

Section 12 of Cap. 30 is amended by substituting for subsection (1) the following—

"(1) The Minister may, by notice in writing, direct the owner or any person having charge of any cotton seed or plant harbouring or likely to harbour any cotton pest or cotton disease to destroy the cotton seed or cotton plant either within a specified time or immediately and in any specified manner."

17. Amendment of section 13 of Cap. 30

Section 13 of Cap. 30 is amended by substituting for subsection (1) the following—

"(1) The Minister may, by statutory instrument, fix a date prior to which all cotton plants in a specified area shall be uprooted and destroyed in that year and may, in the same instrument, fix a later date before which no cotton may be planted in that area."

18. Amendment of section 15 of Cap. 30

For section 15 of Cap. 30, there is substituted the following—

"15. Exemption

The Minister may exempt any person from compliance with the provisions of any instrument published under section 13 if he or she is satisfied that the exemption is desirable for the purpose of scientific or experimental work."

19. Amendment of section 16 of Cap. 30

Section 16 of Cap. 30 is amended—

- (a) in subsection (1) by substituting for "organisation", the word "Minister":
- (b) in subsection (2) by substituting for "organisation", the word "Minister";

- (c) in subsection (6) by repealing the words ", on recommendation of the board,"; and
- (d) in subsection (7) by substituting for "organisation" wherever the word appears the word "Minister".

20. Amendment of section 17 of Cap. 30

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Section 17 of Cap. 30 is amended by substituting for "Organisation" wherever the word appears, the word "Minister".

21. Amendment of section 18 of Cap. 30

Section 18 of Cap. 30 is amended by substituting for "Organisation" wherever the word appears, the word "Minister".

22. Amendment of section 19 of Cap. 30

Section 19 of Cap. 30 is amended by substituting for subsection (1) the following—

"19. Cotton marketing season

The Minister shall announce the commencement and closure of the cotton marketing season.".

23. Amendment of section 20 of Cap. 30

Section 20 of Cap. 30 is amended-

- (a) in subsection (2) by substituting for "organisation" the word "Minister"; and
- (b) by substituting for subsection (3) the following—
 - "(3) Every registered ginner shall forward to the Minister, within twenty-one days after completing ginning, details of all cotton ginned; and the details shall specify—"

24. Amendment of section 21 of Cap. 30

Section 21 of Cap. 30 is amended—

"(2) Every person under obligation to keep books under subsection (1) shall forward the records to the Minister once every month."

25. Repeal of Part VI of Cap. 30

Part VI (sections 22, 23, 24 and 25) of Cap. 30 is repealed.

26. Repeal of Part VII of Cap. 30

Part VI (sections 26, 27, 28 and 29) of Cap. 30 is repealed.

27. Repeal of Part VIII of Cap. 30

Part VIII (sections 30 and 31) of Cap. 30 is repealed.

28. Repeal of Schedule to Cap. 30

The Schedule to Cap. 30 is repealed.

29. Savings provisions to Cap. 30

- (1) All pending applications for any kind of registration under the Act shall be continued under the Minister.
- (2) The board members and staff of the Cotton Development Organisation shall be paid their terminal benefits in accordance with the terms and conditions of their service.
- (3) Compensation is not payable to any member of the board of the Cotton Development Organisation for loss of office resulting from the dissolution of the Coffee Development Organisation.
- (4) The staff of the Cotton Development Organisation may be redeployed to serve in the public service subject to availability of positions.
- (5) On the commencement of this Act, all the property, assets, rights, obligations, and liabilities of the Cotton Development Organisation shall vest in the Government of Uganda under the Ministry.

- (6) Any proceedings commenced by or against the Cotton Development Organisation may be continued by or against the Attorney General.
- (7) A licence, permit, certificate or authorisation issued by the Cotton Development Organisation under the Act which is in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall have effect from the commencement of this Act as if granted by the Minister.
- (8) The terms and conditions including the rights and obligations under a licence, permit, certificate or authorisation in force immediately before the commencement of this Act, shall not be less favourable than those that applied immediately before the commencement of this Act.

PART III—REPEAL OF UGANDA TRYPANOSOMIASIS CONTROL COUNCIL ACT, CAP. 211

30. Purpose of repeal of Cap. 211

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The purpose of the repeal of Cap. 211 is—

- (a) to abolish the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council; and
- (b) to transfer the functions of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council to the Ministry responsible for agriculture.

31. Interpretation of this Part

In this Part, unless the context otherwise requires,

"Ministry" means the Ministry responsible for agriculture;

"programme" means the master plan adopted by the working party of representatives of the Government of Uganda and of the donor community held in Kampala between 15th and 19th August, 1988, as amended from time to time, with the approval of the Government of Uganda.

32. Repeal of Cap. 211

The Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council Act, Cap. 211 is repealed.

33. Dissolution of Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council
The Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council established by Cap.
211 is dissolved.

34. Transfer of functions of the dissolved council and secretariat

- (1) The functions of the dissolved Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council set out in the repealed Cap. 211 are transferred to the Ministry.
- (2) For the avoidance of doubt, the functions of the council transferred to the Ministry are—
 - to monitor all aspects of the programme and to intervene if work plans are not carried out according to plan or if any project input is not utilised for the purpose for which it is intended;
 - (b) to direct any department, authority or agency or person responsible for giving effect to any part of the programme to carry out any particular activities in the interest of the programme;
 - (c) to intervene and give appropriate directions if any terms of reference concerning any particular project are not being duly implemented;
 - (d) to liaise with donors, executing agencies and Ministries and departments regarding any requisition or input required for the programme;
 - (e) to arrange and carry out periodic reviews and evaluation of research activities and supervise relevant research institutions;

- (f) to solicit and receive, for the purpose of the programme, grants, aid, gifts, donations, fees, subscriptions and other sums required for the implementation of the programme;
- (g) to invite any person or organisation to assist in the execution of any aspect of the programme; and
- (h) to do all other things incidental or conducive to the efficient carrying out of the provisions of this Act.
- (3) The functions of the secretariat that are transferred to the Ministry are—
 - (a) to supervise the initiation, formulation, negotiation and implementation of all projects for tsetse and trypanosomiasis control in Uganda;
 - (b) to prescribe standard specifications, certification marks and codes of practice and do all things incidental to or connected with them as may be required for the purposes of this Act;
 - (c) to collate and disseminate to all relevant parties, reports and other information relating to projects for carrying out the programme;
 - (d) to coordinate the development of human resources necessary for all aspects of the programme;
 - (e) to initiate and organise seminars, conferences and workshops and other similar activities aimed at promoting the effective implementation of the programme;
 - (f) to establish and maintain relationships with national, regional and international organisations and agencies as may be appropriate for facilitating the implementation of the programme;

- (g) to carry out, or cause to be carried out, any study or examination or test in respect of commodities of different specifications, whether produced in Uganda or elsewhere;
- (h) to carry out such other functions within the objects and functions of the council as the council may direct.
- (4) In carrying out its objects and functions, the Ministry shall, so far as is practicable, consult and cooperate with any body, organisation or association in or outside Uganda having similar functions to those prescribed by this section relating to industrial or commercial standards generally with a view to furthering the objects and functions of the Ministry.

35. Objects of the Council to be objects of Ministry

- (1) On the commencement of this Act, the objects of the dissolved Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council specified in section 3 of the repealed Cap. 211 shall become objects of the Ministry.
 - (2) For the avoidance of doubt, the objects are—
 - (a) to ensure the effective and efficient implementation of all aspects of the programme;
 - (b) to formulate policies and determine priorities for tsetse and trypanosomiasis research and control in Uganda in relation to the economic and social policies of the Government;
 - (c) to advise the Government and make to the Government such recommendations as it may consider necessary concerning the financial, human and other resource requirements for the implementation of the programme;
 - (d) to consider and approve, in consultation with the Uganda National Council for Science and Technology established by the Uganda National Council for Science and

Technology Act, any research projects arising out of the programme and to assign them to any institution within or outside the council;

- (e) to ensure the proper application of the results and the due implementation of the recommendations of any research activities in the programme;
- (f) to advise the Minister on the management and coordination of the programme at all levels, including the setting up of new research institutions; and
- (g) to establish units and technical services in relation to the programme.

36. Savings provisions to Cap. 211

- (1) The board members and staff of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council shall be paid their terminal benefits in accordance with the terms and conditions of their service.
- (2) Compensation is not payable to any member of the board of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council for loss of office resulting from the dissolution of the Council.
- (3) The staff of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council may be redeployed to serve in the public service subject to availability of positions.
- (4) On the commencement of this Act, all the property, assets, rights, obligations, and liabilities of the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council shall vest in the Government of Uganda under the Ministry.
- (5) Any proceedings commenced by or against the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council may be continued by or against the Attorney General.

- (6) A licence, permit, certificate or authorisation issued by the Uganda Trypanosomiasis Control Council under the Act, and which is in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall have effect from the commencement of this Act as if granted by the Minister.
- (7) The terms and conditions including the rights and obligations under a licence, permit, certificate or authorisation in force immediately before the commencement of this Act, shall not be less favourable than those that applied immediately before the commencement of this Act.

PART IV—AMENDMENT OF NATIONAL COFFEE ACT, 2021 (ACT 17 of 2021)

37. Purpose of amendment of Act 17 of 2021

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The purpose of amendment of the National Coffee Act, 2021 (Act 17 of 2021) is to—

- (a) mainstream the functions of the Coffee Development Authority into the Ministry responsible for agriculture; and
- (b) abolish the Coffee Development Authority and transfer the functions of the Coffee Development Authority to the Ministry responsible for agriculture.

38. Dissolution of Coffee Development Authority

The Coffee Development Authority established by Act 17 of 2021 is dissolved.

39. Amendment of long title of Act 17 of 2021

For the long title to Act 17 of 2021, there is substituted the following—

"An Act to abolish the Coffee Development Authority; to transfer the functions of the Coffee Development Authority to the

Ministry responsible for agriculture; to provide for the Ministry responsible for agriculture to regulate, promote and oversee the coffee subsector; to provide for the Ministry responsible for agriculture to regulate all on farm and off-farm activities in the coffee value chain; to provide for a coffee auction system; and for other related matters."

40. Amendment of section 1 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 1 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by repealing the definitions of "Authority" and "Board".

41. Amendment of section 2 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 2 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for paragraph (b) the following—

"(b) to provide for the Ministry to regulate, promote and oversee the coffee subsector;"

42. Amendment of title to Part II of Act 17 of 2021

For the title to Part II of Act 17 of 2021 there is substituted the following—

"PART II - ADMINISTRATION OF ACT"

43. Amendment of section 3 of Act 17 of 2021

For section 3 of Act 17 of 2021, there is substituted the following—

"3. Administration of Act

This Act shall be administered by the Ministry.".

44. Amendment of section 4 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 4 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended—

- (a) by substituting for the head note the following—
 - "4. Objectives of Ministry";

- (b) by substituting for "Authority" in the introduction to section 4 the word "Ministry"; and
- (c) by substituting for "Authority" in paragraph (g) the word "Minister".

45. Amendment of section 5 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 5 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended—

- (a) by substituting for the head note to section 5 the following—"5. Functions of Ministry";
- (b) by substituting for "Authority" in the introduction to section 5 the word "Ministry"; and
- (c) by substituting for paragraph (j) the following—
 - "(j) to coordinate the provision of coffee specific extension services;".

46. Amendment of section 6 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 6 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

47. Amendment of section 17 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 7 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority wherever it appears, the word "Minister".

48. Amendment of section 10 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 10 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears the word "Minister".

49. Amendment of section 12 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 12 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended in paragraph (I) by substituting for the word "Authority" the word "Minister".

50. Amendment of section 13 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 13 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended—

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- (a) in subsection (1) by substituting for the word "Authority" the word "Ministry";
- (b) in subsection (2) by repealing the words "the Authority and"; and
- (c) in subsection (3) by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears the word "Ministry".
- 51. Repeal of section 14 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 14 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.
- 52. Repeal of section 15 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 15 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.
- **53.** Repeal of section 16 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 16 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.
- 54. Repeal of section 17 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 17 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.
- 55. Repeal of section 18 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 18 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.
- **56.** Repeal of section 19 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 19 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.
- 57. Repeal of section 20 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 20 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.
- 58. Repeal of section 21 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 21 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

59. Repeal of Part III of Act 17 of 2021

Part III (sections 22, 23, 24, 25) of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

60. Amendment of section 26 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 26 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended in subsection (1) by substituting for the word "Authority", the word "Ministry".

61. Amendment of section 27 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 27 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended—

- (a) in subsection (1) by substituting for the word "Authority", the word "Ministry";
- (b) in subsection (2) by substituting for the word "board", the word "Minister"; and
- (c) by substituting for the word "Authority", wherever it appears in subsection (3), (4) and (5) the word "Ministry".

62. Amendment of section 28 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 28 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended—

- (a) in subsection (1) by substituting for the word "Authority", the word "Minister";
- (b) in subsection (2) by substituting for the word "Authority", the word "Ministry";
- (c) in subsection (3) by substituting for the word "Authority", the word "Minister".

63. Amendment of section 29 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 29 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended in subsection (1) by substituting for the word "Authority", the word "Ministry".

64. Amendment of section 30 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 30 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

65. Amendment of section 31 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 31 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

66. Amendment of section 32 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 32 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

67. Amendment of section 34 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 34 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry."

68. Amendment of section 35 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 35 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

69. Amendment of section 36 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 35 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority", the word "Ministry".

70. Amendment of section 37 of Act 17 of 2021

For section 37 of Act 17 of 2021, there is substituted the following-

"37. Right of appeal.

Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Ministry under subsection 35(4) may, within thirty days after being notified of the decision, appeal to a competent court for judicial review."

71. Amendment of section 38 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 38 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended—

(a) in subsection (1), by substituting for the word "Authority", the word "Minister";

- (b) by substituting for subsection (2) the following—
 - "(2) For the purposes of this section, the Ministry and other stakeholders shall develop a strategy for promoting the cultivation of recommended types and varieties of coffee in Uganda."; and
- (c) in subsection (3), by substituting for the word "Authority", the word "Ministry".

72. Amendment of section 39 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 39 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority wherever it appears, the word "Minister".

73. Amendment of section 40 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 40 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

74. Amendment of section 41 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 41 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

75. Amendment of section 42 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 42 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

76. Repeal of section 43 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 43 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

77. Amendment of section 44 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 44 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" the word "Minister".

78. Repeal of section 45 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 45 of the Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

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Repeal of section 46 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 46 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

Repeal of section 47 of Act 17 of 2021 80. Section 47 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

81. Repeal of section 48 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 48 of the Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

82. Repeal of section 49 of Act 17 of 2021 Section 49 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

Amendment of section 50 of Act 17 of 2021 83.

Section 50 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended

- (a) in subsection (1), by substituting for the word "Authority", the word "Ministry";
- in subsection (2), by repealing the words "and validated (b) by the Board"; and
- in subsection (4), by substituting for the word "Authority", (c) the word "Ministry".

84. Amendment of section 51 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 51 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended in subsection (1) by substituting for the word "Authority", the word "Minister".

Repeal of section 52 of Act 17 of 2021 85. Section 52 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

Amendment of section 53 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 53 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

87. Amendment of section 54 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 54 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended by substituting for the word "Authority" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

88. Amendment of section 56 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 56 of Act 17 of 2021 is amended in subsection (1) by repealing the words "on the recommendation of the Board".

89. Repeal of section 57 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 57 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

90. Repeal of section 58 of Act 17 of 2021

Section 58 of Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

91. Repeal of Schedule 2 to Act 17 of 2021

Schedule 2 to Act 17 of 2021 is repealed.

92. Savings provisions for Act 17 of 2012

- (1) All pending applications for any kind of registration under the Act shall be continued under the Ministry.
- (2) The board members and staff of the Coffee Development Authority shall be paid their terminal benefits in accordance with the terms and conditions of their service.
- (3) Compensation is not payable to any member of the board of the Coffee Development Authority for loss of office resulting from the dissolution of the Coffee Development Authority.
- (4) The staff of the Coffee Development Authority may be redeployed to serve in the public service subject to availability of positions.
- (5) On the commencement of this Act, all the property, assets, rights, obligations, and liabilities of the Coffee Development Authority shall vest in the Government of Uganda under the Ministry.

- (6) Any proceedings commenced by or against the Coffee Development Authority may be continued by or against the Attorney General
- (7) A licence, permit, certificate or authorisation issued by the Coffee Development Authority under the Act which is in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall have effect from the commencement of this Act as if granted by the Minister.
- (8) The terms and conditions including the rights and obligations under a licence, permit, certificate or authorisation in force immediately before the commencement of this Act, shall not be less favourable than those that applied immediately before the commencement of this Act.

PART V—AMENDMENT OF DAIRY INDUSTRY ACT. CAP. 85

93. Purpose of amendment of Cap. 85

Bill No. 6

The purpose of amendment of the Dairy Industry Act, Cap. 85 is to-

- (a) mainstream the functions of the Dairy Development Authority into the Ministry responsible for agriculture; and
- (b) abolish the Dairy Development Authority and transfers the functions of the Dairy Development Authority to the Ministry responsible for agriculture.

94. Interpretation of this Part

In this Part, unless the context otherwise requires, "Ministry" means the Ministry responsible for agriculture.

95. Dissolution of Dairy Development Authority

The Dairy Development Authority established by Cap. 85 is dissolved.

96. Amendment of long title of Cap. 85

For the long title to Cap. 85, there is substituted the following—

"An Act to provide for the Ministry to promote and control the production, processing and marketing of milk and dairy products and generally to facilitate the development of the dairy industry and for other connected matters."

97. Amendment of section 1 of Cap. 85

Section 1 of Cap. 85 is amended—

- (a) by repealing paragraphs (a), (b), (e); and
- (b) by substituting for paragraph (k) the following—
 "Minister" means the Minister responsible for agriculture;".

98. Amendment of title of Part II of Cap. 85

For the title to Part II of Cap. 85, there is substituted the following-

"PART II—ADMINISTRATION OF ACT"

99. Amendment of section 2 of Cap. 85

For section 2 of Cap. 85, there is substituted the following—

"2. Administration of Act

This Act shall be administered by the Ministry.".

100. Amendment of section 3 of Cap. 85

Section 3 of Cap. 85 is amended—

- (a) by substituting for the word "authority" in the head note of the section, the word "Ministry";
- (b) by substituting for the word "authority" in the introduction to the section the word "Ministry";
- (c) by repealing paragraph (a);

- (d) by repealing paragraph (d); and
- (e) in paragraph (h), by repealing the words "and do any act as may be done by a body corporate."

101. Amendment of section 4 of Cap. 85

Section 4 of Cap. 85 is amended by substituting for the word "Dairy Development Authority" wherever it appears the word "Ministry".

102. Amendment of section 5 of Cap. 85

Section 5 of Cap. 85 is amended—

- (a) by substituting for the word "authority" wherever it appears in the section, the word "Ministry";
- (b) by repealing paragraph (h); and
- (c) by repealing paragraph (i).

103. Repeal of Part II of Cap. 85

Part III (sections 6, 7, 8) of Cap. 85 is repealed.

104. Repeal of Part IV of Cap. 85

Part IV (sections 9, 10, 11, 12) of Cap. 85 is repealed.

105. Repeal of Part V of Cap. 85

Part V (sections 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19) of Cap. 85 is repealed.

106. Amendment of section 20 of Cap. 85

Section 20 of Cap. 85 is amended—

- (a) in section (1), by substituting for the word "authority", the word "Ministry";
- (b) in section (2), by substituting for the word "authority", the word "Ministry";

- (c) by substituting for subsection (4) the following—
 - "(4) A person aggrieved by a refusal for registration or revocation or suspension of his or her registration may appeal to a competent court against the Ministry's decision.";
- (d) in section (6), by repealing the words ", on the recommendation of the board,"; and
- (e) in section (7), by substituting for the word "authority", the word "Ministry".

107. Amendment of section 21 of Cap. 85

Section 21 of Cap. 85 is amended in paragraph (a) by substituting for the word "authority", the word "Ministry".

108. Amendment of section 22 of Cap. 85

Section 22 of Cap. 85 is amended by substituting for the word "authority" wherever it appears the word "Ministry".

109. Repeal of section 23 of Cap. 85

Section 23 of Cap. 85 is repealed.

110. Repeal of section 24 of Cap. 85

Section 24 of Cap. 85 is repealed.

111. Amendment of section 25 of Cap. 85

Section 25 of Cap. 85 is amended—

- (a) in section (1), by repealing the words ", after consultation with the authority,";
- (b) in section (1)(g), by substituting for the word "authority" the words "Ministry";
- (c) in section (1)(h), by substituting for the words "authority" the words "Ministry";

- (d) in section (1)(j), by substituting for the words "authority" the words "Ministry";
- (e) in section (1), by inserting immediately after paragraph (j) the following—
 - "(k) prescribing standards for the construction, ventilation, lighting, cleanliness, drainage and water supplies of all or any premises on which milk or dairy products are produced, cooled, processed, manufactured, handled or stored;
 - (l) prescribing the locations, capacity and form of operation of all or any cooling, processing or manufacturing premises;
 - (m) prescribing minimum standards for milk and dairy products and prohibiting the sale of any milk or dairy product which does not conform to the minimum standards;
 - (n) prescribing methods of treatment and disposal of any waste product or effluent resulting from the production or processing of milk or dairy products;
 - (o) prescribing methods of cooling, processing or manufacture of milk or dairy products;
 - (p) prescribing methods and conditions of use, and limitations thereon, of preservatives, colouring or other substances added to milk or dairy products;
 - (q) prescribing types and methods of packing any milk or dairy products;
 - (r) providing for the grading of milk and milk products, prescribing designations and descriptions to be used and prohibiting the sale or delivery for sale of

any milk or dairy product under any designation or description other than that appropriate to the grade of the milk or dairy product;

- (s) prescribing methods of grading milk or dairy products;
- (t) providing for the issue of grading certificates to producers, processors or manufacturers and for the suspension or revocation of the certificates;
- (u) prescribing precautions to be taken for the protection of milk or milk products and providing for methods of disposal of infected or contaminated milk or dairy products;
- (v) providing for the inspection of premises, and persons in or about those premises, where milk or dairy products are produced, cooled, processed, manufactured, handled or stored and of any vessels, containers and equipment used in the premises;
- (w) providing for the inspection, sampling, examination and analysis of milk and dairy products at any time before retail sale;
- (x) providing for the examination, sampling and analysis of any article or substance found on any premises where milk or dairy products are produced, cooled, processed, manufactured, handled or stored;
- (y) providing for the use and cleanliness of vehicles used for the conveyance of milk and dairy products;
- (z) prescribing the duties and qualifications of inspectors, graders, sampling officers and analysts;
- (aa) authorising any officer employed by the authority or

any person authorised by the authority or a police officer to seize and detain milk or any dairy product where he or she is of the opinion that an offence has been committed against any order or regulation made under this Act, and to detain the person or persons concerned in the alleged misdemeanour; but any person detained or articles or vehicle seized under the foregoing powers shall be taken as soon as possible before a court of competent jurisdiction, to be dealt with according to law;

- (ab) prescribing conditions under which milk or dairy products may be imported into or exported from Uganda; and
- (ac) prescribing anything which the authority is empowered to prescribe under this Act, or which may be required for better carrying into effect the provisions of this Act."; and
- (f) by repealing subsection (3);

112. Repeal of section 26 of Cap. 85

Section 26 of Cap. 85 is repealed.

113. Amendment of section 28 of Cap. 85

Section 28 of Cap. 85 is amended by repealing the words, "after consultation with the authority,".

114. Amendment of section 29 of Cap. 85

Section 29 of Cap. 85 is amended by repealing the words ", after consultation with the authority,".

115. Repeal of section 30 of Cap. 85

Section 30 of Cap. 85 is repealed.

116. Repeal of First Schedule to Cap. 85

The First Schedule to Cap. 85 is repealed.

117. Savings provisions for Cap. 85

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- (1) All pending applications for any kind of registration under Cap. 85 shall be continued under the Minister and Ministry.
- (2) The board members and staff of the Dairy Development Authority shall be paid their terminal benefits in accordance with the terms and conditions of their service.
- (3) Compensation is not payable to any member of the board of the Dairy Development Authority for loss of office resulting from the dissolution of the Coffee Development Authority.
- (4) The staff of the Dairy Development Authority may be redeployed to serve in the public service subject to availability of positions.
- (5) On the commencement of this Act, all the property, assets, rights, obligations, and liabilities of the Dairy Development Authority shall vest in the Government of Uganda under the Ministry.
- (6) Any proceedings commenced by or against the Dairy Development Authority may be continued by or against the Attorney General.
- (7) A licence, permit, certificate or authorisation issued by the Dairy Development Authority under Cap. 85 which is in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall have effect from the commencement of this Act as if granted by the Ministry.
- (8) The terms and conditions including the rights and obligations under a licence, permit, certificate or authorisation in

force immediately before the commencement of this Act, shall not be less favourable than those that applied immediately before the commencement of this Act.

PART VI—AMENDMENT OF AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS (CONTROL) ACT, 2007 (ACT 1 OF 2007)

118. Purpose of amendment of Act 1 of 2007

The purpose of amending the Agricultural Chemicals (Control) Act, 2007 (Act 1 of 2007) is to mainstream the functions of the Agricultural Chemical Board established under section 5 of the Act into the Ministry responsible for agriculture.

119. Dissolution of the Agricultural Chemical Board

On the commencement of this Act, the Agricultural Chemical Board shall be abolished.

120. Amendment of section 2 of Act 1 of 2007

Section 2 of Act 1 of 2007 is amended by repealing the definition of "Board".

121. Repeal of section 5 of Act 1 of 2007

Section 5 of Act 1 of 2007 is repealed.

122. Amendment of section 6 of Act 1 of 2007

Section 6 of Act 1 of 2007 is amended—

- (a) by substituting for "Board" wherever it appears the word "Ministry";
- (b) by repealing subsection (2); and
- (c) by repealing subsection (3).

123. Repeal of section 7 of Act 1 of 2007

Section 7 of Act 1 of 2007 is repealed.

124. Amendment of section 8 of Act 1 of 2007

Section 8 of Act 1 of 2007 is repealed.

125. Amendment of section 9 of Act 1 of 2007

Section 9 of Act 1 of 2007 is amended in subsection (1) by repealing the words "on the advice of the Board".

126. Amendment of section 18 of Act 1 of 2007

Section 18 of Act 1 of 2007 is amended in subsection (1) by repealing the words "in consultation with the Board".

127. Savings provisions for Act 1 of 2007

- (1) On the commencement of this Act, all the property, assets, rights, obligations, and liabilities of the Agricultural Chemical Board shall vest in the Ministry responsible for agriculture.
- (2) Any proceedings commenced by or against the Agricultural Chemical Board may be continued by or against the Attorney General.
- (3) The members of the Board and staff of the Agricultural Chemical Board serving immediately before the commencement of this Act shall be paid their terminal benefits in accordance with the terms and conditions of their service.
- (4) Compensation is not payable to any member of the Board of the Agricultural Chemical Board for loss of office resulting from the abolition of the Board by this Act.

PART VII—AMENDMENT OF THE NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY SERVICES ACT, 2001 (ACT 10 of 2001)

128. Purpose of amendment of Act 10 of 2001

(1) The purpose of amending the National Agricultural Advisory Services Act, 2001 (Act 10 of 2001) is to mainstream the

functions of the National Agricultural Advisory Services Organisation (NAADS) established under section 3 of the Act into the Ministry responsible for agriculture.

(2) The amendment abolishes the National Agricultural Advisory Services Organisation (NAADS) and the Secretariat established by the Act.

129. Dissolution of the National Agricultural Advisory Services Organisation

On the commencement of this Act, the National Agricultural Advisory Services Organisation shall be abolished.

130. Substitution of long title of Act 10 of 2001

For the long title to Act 10 of 2001, there is substituted the following-

"An Act to provide for the promotion of market-oriented agriculture and to provide for other related and incidental matters."

131. Amendment of section 2 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 2 of Act 10 of 2001 is amended by repealing the definition of "Board" "Organisation" and "Secretariat".

132. Substitution of heading for Part II of Act 10 of 2001

For the heading of Part II of Act 10 of 2001, there is substituted the following—

"PART II—ADMINISTRATION OF ACT"

133. Substitution of section 3 of Act 10 of 2001

For section 13 of Act 10 of 2001, there is substituted the following—

"13. Administration of Act

This Act shall be administered by the Ministry."

134. Repeal of section 4 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 4 of Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

135. Amendment of section 5 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 5 of Act 10 of 2001 is amended by substituting for-

"5. Objectives of the Organisation

The objects for which the Organisation is established are—" the following—

"5. Objectives of the Ministry

The objects of the Ministry are—"

136. Amendment of section 6 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 6 of Act 10 of 2001 is amended by substituting for "Organisation" wherever it appears the word "Ministry".

137. Repeal of section 7 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 7 of Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

138. Repeal of section 8 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 8 of Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

139. Repeal of section 9 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 9 of Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

140. Repeal of section 10 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 10 of Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

141. Repeal of section 11 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 11 of Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

142. Repeal of section 12 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 12 of Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

143. Repeal of Part III of Act 10 of 2001

Part III (sections 13 and 14) of Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

144. Amendment of section 16 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 16 of Act 10 of 2001 is amended by substituting for "Organisation" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

145. Amendment of section 17 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 17 of Act 10 of 2001 is amended in subsection (1) by substituting for "Secretariat" wherever it appears, the word "Ministry".

146. Amendment of section 20 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 20 of Act 10 of 2001 is amended in paragraph (b) by substituting for "Organisation" the word "Ministry".

147. Amendment of section 21 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 21 of Act 10 of 2001 is amended in subsection (3) by substituting for "NAADS Secretariat" the word "Ministry".

148. Amendment of section 22 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 22 of Act 10 of 2001 is amended by repealing paragraph (e).

149. Amendment of section 24 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 24 of Act 10 of 2001 is amended—

- (a) in subsection (1) by substituting for "Organisation" the word "Ministry"; and
- (b) in subsection (3) by substituting for "Board" the word "Ministry".

150. Repeal of Part VI of Act 10 of 2001

Part VIII (sections 26, 27, 28 and 29) of Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

151. Repeal of section 30 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 30 of Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

152. Repeal of section 31 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 31 of Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

153. Amendment of section 32 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 33 of Act 10 of 2001 is amended—

- (a) by repealing "on the recommendation of the Board"; and
- (b) by substituting for "Organisation" the word "Ministry".

154. Amendment of section 33 of Act 10 of 2001

Section 33 of Act 10 of 2001 is amended by repealing "may on recommendation of the Board".

155. Repeal of First Schedule to Act 10 of 2001

The First Schedule to Act 10 of 2001 is repealed.

156. Savings provisions for Act 10 of 2001

- (1) On the commencement of this Act, all the property, assets, rights, obligations, and liabilities of the National Agricultural Advisory Services Organisation (NAADS) shall vest in the Ministry responsible for agriculture.
- (2) Any proceedings commenced by or against the National Agricultural Advisory Services Organisation (NAADS) may be continued by or against the Attorney General.
- (3) The member of the Board and staff of the of the National Agricultural Advisory Services Organisation (NAADS) serving immediately before the commencement of this Act shall be paid their terminal benefits in accordance with the terms and conditions of their service.
- (4) Compensation is not payable to any member of the of the Board of the National Agricultural Advisory Services Organisation (NAADS) for loss of office resulting from the abolition of the Board by this Act.

(5) The staff of the of the National Agricultural Advisory Services Organisation (NAADS) serving immediately before the commencement of this Act may be redeployed to serve in the public service subject to availability of positions.

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