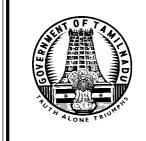
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Tamil Nadu Acts and Ordinances

The following Act of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly received the assent of the President on the 22nd July 2015 and is hereby published for general information:—

ACT No. 8 OF 2015.

An Act further to amend the Tamil Nadu Preservation of Private Forests Act, 1949.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Sixty-Second Year of the Republic of India as follows:---

1. (1) This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Preservation of Private Forests (Amendment) Act, 2011.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification, appoint.

2. After section 4 of the Tamil Nadu Preservation of Private Forests Act, 1949, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

"<u>4-A. Sanction to purchaser</u>.—(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1) of section 3, the purchaser of the whole or any portion of the forest, which has been sold by the owner of such forest without the previous sanction of the committee under clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 3, may, apply to the committee for sanction to retain the whole or any portion of the forest, within such time as may be prescribed.

(2) The committee may, by order, accord the sanction for the whole or any portion of the forest specified in the application, subject to such conditions as it may deem fit.

Short title and commencement.

Insertion of new section 4-A.

Act XXVII of 1949.

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(3) The committee may refuse to accord the sanction, if prosecution is instituted for any of the contraventions referred to in section 7, in such forest, other than the contravention of the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 3 or for any other reason to be recorded in writing.

(4) Any person aggrieved by an order under sub-section (3) may, within two months from the date of receipt of such order, prefer an appeal in writing to the State Government. The State Government shall pass such order on the appeal as they may think fit.

(5) The sanction accorded under sub-section (2) shall not prohibit the institution of prosecution against the owner for the contravention of sub-section (1) of section 3.

(By order of the Governor)

S.S. POOVALINGAM, Secretary to Government-in-charge, Law Department.