TELANGANA BILLS

TELANGANA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

The following Bill was introduced in the Telangana Legislative Assembly on 7th November, 2017.


A BILL FURTHER TO AMEND THE TELANGANA PREVENTION OF DANGEROUS ACTIVITIES OF BOOTLEGGERS, DACOITS, DRUG-OFFENDERS, GOONDAS, IMMORAL TRAFFIC OFFENDERS AND LAND-GRABBERS ACT, 1986.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Telangana in the Sixty-eighth Year of the Republic of India, as follows:-

1. (1) This Act may be called the Telangana Prevention of Dangerous Activities of Bootleggers, Dacoits, Drug-Offenders, Goondas, Immoral Traffic Offenders and Land-Grabbers (Amendment) Act, 2017.

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B.212-1 (VS)
(2) It shall be deemed to have come into force with effect from 17.06.2017.

2. In the Telangana Prevention of Dangerous Activities of Bootleggers, Dacoits, Drug-Offenders, Goondas, Immoral Traffic Offenders and Land-Grabbers Act, 1986 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act),

(1) in the long title, for the words “and Land-Grabbers”, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“Land-Grabbers, Spurious Seed Offenders, Insecticide Offenders, Fertiliser Offenders, Food Adulteration Offenders, Fake Document Offenders, Scheduled Commodities Offenders, Forest Offenders, Gaming Offenders, Sexual Offenders, Explosive Substances Offenders, Arms Offenders, Cyber Crime Offenders and White Collar or Financial Offenders”;

(2) in the preamble,-

(a) in the first paragraph, for the words “and Land-Grabbers”, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“Land-Grabbers, Spurious Seed Offenders, Insecticide Offenders, Fertiliser Offenders, Food Adulteration Offenders, Fake Document Offenders, Scheduled Commodities Offenders, Forest Offenders, Gaming Offenders, Sexual Offenders, Explosive Substances Offenders, Arms Offenders, Cyber Crime Offenders and White Collar or Financial Offenders”;

(b) in the second paragraph,-

(i) for words “or Land-Grabbers”, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“Land-Grabbers, Spurious Seed Offenders, Insecticide Offenders, Fertiliser Offenders, Food Adulteration Offenders, Fake Document Offenders, Scheduled Commodities Offenders, Forest Offenders, Gaming Offenders, Sexual Offenders, Explosive Substances
Offenders, Arms Offenders, Cyber Crime Offenders and White Collar or Financial Offenders’;

(ii) for the words “Andhra Pradesh” occurring at two places, the word “Telangana” shall be substituted;

(iii) for the words “six classes”, the words “nineteen classes” shall be substituted.

3. In the principal Act, in section 1, in sub-section (1), for the words “and Land-Grabbers”, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“Land-Grabbers, Spurious Seed Offenders, Insecticide Offenders, Fertiliser Offenders, Food Adulteration Offenders, Fake Document Offenders, Scheduled Commodities Offenders, Forest Offenders, Gaming Offenders, Sexual Offenders, Explosive Substances Offenders, Arms Offenders, Cyber Crime Offenders and White Collar or Financial Offenders”.

4. In the principal Act, in section 2,-

(1) in clause (a), for the words “or a Land-Grabber”, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“Land-Grabber, a Spurious Seed Offender, an Insecticide Offender, a Fertiliser Offender, a Food Adulteration Offender, a Fake Document Offender, a Scheduled Commodities Offender, a Forest Offender, a Gaming Offender, a Sexual Offender, an Explosive Substances Offender, an Arms Offender, a Cyber Crime Offender and a White Collar or Financial Offender”.

(2) after clause (k), the following clauses shall be added, namely:-

“(l) “Spurious Seed Offender” means any person who manufactures, stocks, sells or distributes any adulterated seeds or adulterate the original seeds by mixing low quality seeds or change the packing with the name of
well known brands or does anything in contravention of any of the provisions of the Seeds Act, 1966 and the rules, notifications and orders made thereunder or punishable under section 420 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 who knowingly by himself through any other person abets in any other manner the doing of any such things/offences;

(m) “Insecticide Offender” means any person who manufactures, stocks, sells or distributes the misbranded insecticides or does anything in contravention of any of the provisions of the Insecticide Act, 1968 or punishable under section 420 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 or who abets in doing such things/offences;

(n) “Fertiliser Offender” means any person who manufactures, stocks, sells or distributes the spurious fertiliser/fake fertiliser, whether it may be chemical fertiliser or bio-fertiliser, or does anything in contravention any of the provisions of the Fertiliser (Control) Order, 1985 or the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 or the offences punishable under section 420 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 or who abets in doing such things/offences;

(o) “Food Adulteration Offender” means any person who prepares or sells or stocks the adulterated food articles, low nutritional standard food articles or does anything in contravention of any of the provisions under the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 or Food Safety and Standard Act, 2006 or under sections 272 & 273 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 or who abets in doing such things/offences;

(p) “Fake Document Offender” means a person who makes any false document or part of a document with intent to cause damage or injury, to the public or to any person, or to support any claim or title, or to cause any person to part with property, or to enter into any express or implied contract, or commits the offences punishable under
Chapter-XVIII of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 or who abets in doing such things/offences;

(q) “Scheduled Commodities Offender” means a person who does anything in contravention of any provisions of Telangana Scheduled Commodities Dealers (Licensing, Storage & Regulation) Order, 2016 or the commission of offences punishable under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 or sections 406, 407, 408, 409, 417, 418, 419 or 420 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 or who abets in doing such things/offences;

(r) “Forest-Offender” means a person, who commits or abets the commission of offences punishable under the Telangana Forest Act, 1967 or sections 51 and 52 of the Wild Life Protection Act, 1972 or under sections 379 to 402 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860;

(s) “Gaming Offender” means a person who commits or abets the commission of offences punishable under the Telangana Gaming Act, 1974;

(t) “Explosive Substance Offender” means a person who commits or abets the commission of offences punishable under the Explosive Substances Act, 1908;

(u) “Arms Offender” means a person who commits or abets the commission of offences punishable under the Arms Act, 1959;

(v) “Sexual Offender” means a person who commits or abets the commission of offences in contravention of any of the provisions under the Protection of Child from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 or the offences punishable under sections 354, 354-A, 354-B, 354-C, 354-D, 376, 376-A, 376-B, 376-D, 377 or 509 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860;

(w) “Cyber Crime Offender” means a person who commits or abets the commission of offences punishable under the Information Technology Act, 2000;
(x) “White collar offender” or “Financial Offender” means a person who commits or abets the commission of offences punishable under the Telangana Protection of Depositors of Financial Establishment Act, 1999 or under sections 406 to 409 or 417 to 420 or under Chapter XVIII of the Indian Penal Code, 1860”.

5. In the principal Act, in section 3, in sub-section (1), for the words “or Land-Grabber” the following shall be substituted, namely:-


6. In the principal Act, in section 17 including in the marginal heading, for the words “and Land-Grabber”, the following shall be substituted, namely:-


STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Dangerous activities of certain anti-social elements, who are known in the society as Spurious Seed Offenders, Insecticide Offenders, Fertiliser Offenders, Food Adulteration Offenders, Fake Document Offenders, Scheduled Commodities Offenders, Forest Offenders, Gaming Offenders, Sexual Offenders, Explosive Substances Offenders, Arms Offenders, Cyber Crime Offenders and White Collar or Financial Offenders are causing a lot of harm, danger and alarm, and a feeling of insecurity, among the general public, and a grave and wide spread danger to life and public health and thereby, every now and then, adversely affect the public order.

It has been noticed that Spurious Seed Offenders, Insecticide Offenders, Fertiliser Offenders, Food Adulteration Offenders, Fake Document Offenders, Scheduled Commodities Offenders, Forest Offenders, Gaming Offenders, Sexual Offenders, Explosive Substances Offenders, Arms Offenders, Cyber Crime Offenders and White Collar or Financial Offenders do the things in contravention of the provisions of the certain Central Acts for the time being in force besides the State Acts and thereby adversely affect the public order and pose a grave danger to the community in several ways i.e. failure of crops, low yielding, suicide of farmers due to spurious seeds, prohibited pesticides and substandard fertilisers, menace to public health by the way of food adulteration, threatening the security of the women and vulnerable section by the sexual offenders, increasing the land disputes due to fake documents, threatening the security of the nation by the arms & explosive substance offenders and ecological imbalances due to deforestation by the forest offenders.

In order to ensure that the maintenance of public order in this State is not adversely affected by the activities of these thirteen classes of known anti-social elements without resorting to the National Security Act, 1980, it was considered necessary to include them in the Telangana Prevention of Dangerous Activities of Bootleggers, Dacoits, Drug-Offenders, Goondas, Immoral Traffic
Offenders and Land-Grabbers Act, 1986 (Act No. 1 of 1986) to provide as follows:-


(b) to provide for preventive detention of the persons indulging in these dangerous activities.

In view of the above, it has been decided to implement the same immediately, the Governor of Telangana has promulgated the Telangana Prevention of Dangerous Activities of Bootleggers, Dacoits, Drug-Offenders, Goondas, Immoral Traffic Offenders and Land-Grabbers (Amendment) Ordinance, 2017 (Ordinance No.3 of 2017), as Legislature of the State was not then in session.


K. CHANDRASHEKAR RAO,
CHIEF MINISTER.
MEMORANDUM UNDER RULE 95 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE AND THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS IN THE TELANGANA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

The Telangana Prevention of Dangerous Activities of Bootleggers, Dacoits, Drug-Offenders, Goondas, Immoral Traffic Offenders and Land-Grabbers (Amendment) Bill, 2017, after it is passed by both Houses of the State Legislature, may be reserved by the Governor for the consideration and assent of the President under article 254(2) of the Constitution of India.

K. CHANDRASHEKAR RAO,
CHIEF MINISTER.

Dr. V. NARASIMHA CHARYULU,
Secretary to State Legislature.