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## PART IV (A) — PROVINCIAL COUNCILS

### Provincial Councils Notifications

#### GALEWELA PRADESHIYA SABHA — BY-LAWS

IT is hereby notified that the Minister in charge of the subject of the Local Government of the Central Provincial Council, according to the powers vested on him under Section 123 of the Pradeshiya Sabha Act No. 15 of 1987, to be read with Section 02 of the Provincial Council Act, No. 12 of 1989, consequential Provisions), has approved the by-law for prevention of infectious diseases from mosquitoes and eradication of mosquitoes and diseaseful insects, resolved and passed by the Galewela Pradeshiya Sabha, according to powers vested under Sections 122 and 126 of the said Pradeshiya Sabha Act.

M. B. EKANAYAKE,  
Secretary, Ministry in charge of the  
subject of Local Government.

February 07, 2005.

#### By-law of Galewela Pradeshiya Sabha for prevention of infectious diseases and eradication of mosquitoes and diseaseful insects

1. This by-law is enacted according to the powers vested by the Sections 122 and 126(x) (v) of the Pradeshiya Sabha Act, No. 15 of 1987.

02. This by-law shall be called and known as “by-law” for prevention of infectious diseases from mosquitoes and eradication of mosquitoes and diseaseful insects within the Galewela Pradeshiya Sabha Authority area. This by-law will come into effect from the date of publishing the same in the *Gazette* of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

03. For the purpose of prevention of infectious diseases through the mosquitoes, the residents of the Galewela Pradeshiya Sabha Authority area shall:-

- (i) Remove or cause to remove and destroy by some other means, and remove, destroy successfully all empty tins, bottles, pots and pans, plastic cans, used tyres, coconut husks and shells and any other forms of articles, vessels and containers which retain water.
- (ii) Clean and remove all obstructive waste matter that blocks the passage of water in gutters, down pipes and in drains in the places of residence.
- (iii) All water vessels, containers, water tanks and any other pots like utensils found in these places shall be repaired and maintained properly and be covered in order to protect and prevent breeding and spreading

mosquitoes in them. All necessary facilities shall be provided for officials of the Pradeshiya Sabha to approach safely and inspect such places and utensils and carry out any type of work that necessitates the prevention of mosquito breeding.

- (iv) All wells found in the place shall be maintained properly repaired and shall be covered or closed or be kept in such a manner so as to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes.
- (v) If there are any artificial ponds quilt at such residential places, in such a way so as to drain out water when necessary, such ponds shall be emptied at least once a week.
- (vi) All waterways, rivers, streams, and drains flowing through such residential places shall be cleaned and maintained properly so as to prevent the collection of water and occurrence of water holes.
- (vii) All granite quarries and gem pits shall be maintained in such a way so as to prevent the collection of water in them.
- (viii) Action should be taken to drain out any water getting collected at such places casually or occasionally.
- (ix) All jungles, vegetation and undergrowth, trees, and creepers, except the plants grown for food or for decoration, found within a radius of 5:4 meters from a building or from a construction used as a human dwelling shall be removed and cleaned.
- (x) Acquatic plants such as salvinia, moss, roch moss, and leprosy moss or 'Kanayaviradi' and any other acquatic plants generally known in the area or seen in the area from time to time which facilitate the breeding and spreading of mosquitoes shall be removed and destroyed.
- (xi) Take necessary action to prevent spreading of acquatic plants mentioned under regulation (X) by flowing them along waterways, by constructing suitable barriers along such waterways.
- (xii) All toilets, water pits, water holes, sealed pits and surroundings of such places shall be maintained in such condition so as to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes.
- (xiii) All pits for dumping coconut husks, coral pits should be maintained in such a way that the breeding and spreading of mosquitoes are prevented.

04. Every person who contravenes the provisions of these by-laws from 01 to 03 (XIII), shall be quilty of an offence and when convicted in a court of law having jurisdiction, shall subject to a fine not exceeding Rs. 750 and if and when such person continue to commit the same offence, after delivering a written notice by the Chairman or by an officer authorised by him, such person shall subject to a fine of Rs. 250 for each time and day he commits the same offence. All such fines shall be credited to the common fund of the Pradeshiya Sabha.

05. In these by-law unless the context otherwise requires

the 'Sabha' means the 'Galewela Pradeshiya Sabha'.

'Chairman' means the Chairman of the Pradeshiya Sabha;

'Authorised Officer' means an officer authorised by the Galewela Pradeshiya Sabha;

'Such place' means a place owns or resides by him.