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## PART I: SECTION (I) — GENERAL

### **Government Notifications**

#### AN ORDER UNDER SECTION 3 OF THE ACT No. 23 OF 1979 OF MAHAWELI AUTHORITY OF SRI LANKA

I Chamal Rajapakse, the Minister of Mahaweli, Agriculture, Irrigation and Rural Development, in pursuant to the powers vested in me under section 3 of the Act No.23 of 1979 of Mahaweli Authority of Sri Lanka, with the concurrence of His Excellency the President of the Democratic Socialistic Republic of Sri Lanka, hereby declare the Moragahakanda-Kaluganga Mahaweli 'F' zone as a sustainable development area made through organic agricultural products, for the functions prescribed in the said Act and for the purpose of achieving the following objectives and the said functions.

#### Functions and objectives:-

- (a) to promote organic vegetable crops, fruit crops and other field crops in this area as a green organic zone with free from use of agro chemical and pesticides.
- (b) to ensure sustainable usage of soil through soil conservation method of setting stones bunds and biological hedges etc.
- (c) to promote water conserve farming for the preservation of irrigated water and its efficient use.
- (d) to promote integrated farming system by integrating poultry, cattle, goat and pasture cultivation to ensure food & nutritional security of the farmer families living in this zone and to promote the manufacturing of organic fertilizer.
- (e) It is expected to manufacture the required organic fertilizer within this zone. The farmers will be provided with necessary fertilizer by government in pursuant to the suitable method until such time arises.



- (f) to implement the programs under public and private partnership in order to supply the direct and value added certified organic products to local and foreign markets from this zone.
- (g) to supply such products to local and foreign markets under the brand of 'Mahaweli Knuckle's Organic Products'.
- (h) to promote the cultivation of vegetable crops and under-utilized fruit crops in home gardens of these farmer families and thereby Conservation such crops from their nonexistence and encourage bee keeping.
- (i) to promote integrated pest management practices without using agro chemicals to control such pests and diseases affecting organic cultivation.
- (j) No permit shall be granted to maintain the outlets in this zone which sell pesticides and weedicides.
- (k) to develop this organic crop cultivation zone as an agro tourism and a model zone where knowledge about organic plants can be gained.
- (l) to take action not to provide the irrigation water of this zone for any industrial activities without a special permission.
- (m) to develop a necessary management operational mechanism through the Mahaweli Authority of Sri Lanka with the technological assistance of the Department of Agriculture in order to provide necessary agricultural instructions and recommendations to relevant farmer organizations.

CHAMAL RAJAPAKSE,
Minister of Mahaweli, Agriculture, Irrigation and Rural Development.

16th June 2020 Ministry of Mahaweli, Agriculture, Irrigation and Rural Development No.80/5, 'Govijana Mandiraya' Rajamalwatta Lane, Battaramulla.

#### **SCHEDULE**

The boundaries of the special zone are as follows:

The area with 3600 hectares of new agricultural lands depicted in the schedule below except the land lot No.88 developed under the canal network of FC1/BR Thorapittiya, FC1/D4/BR, Thorapittiya FC1/D5/BR Thorapittiya and FC2/D5/BR Thorapittiya under the tank of Thorapittiya receiving water through left bank canal and right bank canal under the Kaluganga Reservoir of Moragahakanda Kaluganga Project.

Boundaries by North:-

Spatial Coordinate Nos. 74230N 503392E, 574279N 503735E, 574307N 504016E, 574475N 504506E, 574542N 504733E, 574895N 504975E, 575120N 505324E, 575308N 505567E, 575370N 505774E, 575418N 505967E, 575348N 506278E, 575370N 506503E, 575301N 506737E, 575223N 506916E, 575217N 507144E, 575402N 507136E, 575499N 507243E, 575676N 507364E, 575888N 507353E, 576116N 507360E, 576231N 507377E, 576339N 507488E, 576497N 507546E, 576582N 507684E, 576443N 507811E, 576434N 507873E, 576519N 507926E, 576580N 508040E, 576694N 508074E, 576878N 508103E, 577016N 508166E, 577043N 508265E, 577244N 508315E, 577273N 508486E, 577351N 508641E, 577486N 508748E, 577395N 508946 Eup to the meeting point of Kaluganga.

#### Boundaries by East/South:-

Up to the meeting point of spatial coordinate No. 570483N 507739E via end of the north boundary, from there up to the meeting point of 570172N 507855E, 569941N 508051E, 569843N 508317E, 569685N 508660E, 569624N 509500E and from there up to the meeting point of the end of the south bank canal of Kaluganga Reservoir, from there along up to the Sandali Dam of Kaluganga Reservoir, from there up to the meeting point of the dam of the said Reservoir depicted the maximum water level of the eastern boundary of the Kaluganga Reservoir through contour, and from there up to the starting point of the right bank canal running through the said dam.

#### Boundaries by West:-

Up to the meeting point of spatial coordinate No. 572606N 503820E along the left bank canal from the ending point of eastern and southern boundaries, from there up to the point of spatial coordinate Nos. 572870N 503878E, 573262N 503863E, 573286N 503950E, 573638N 504147E, 573922N 504055E, 573824N 503754E, 573938N 503393E, and from there up to the starting point of the northern boundary.

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