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THE LAW AMENDING THE PROMOTION OF COTTAGE INDUSTRIES LAW

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The State Peace and Development Council hereby enacts this Law.

1. This Law shall be called The Law Amending the Promotion of Cottage industries Law.

2. The expression "Cottage Industry" contained in the Promotion of Cottage Industries Law shall be substituted respectively by the expression "Small-scale Industry"

3. Section 1 of the Promotion of Cottage Industries Law shall be substituted as follows:

"1. This law shall be called the promotion of Small-scale Industries Law."

4. In section(2) of the Promotion of Cottage Industries Law:

- (a) Sub-section(a) shall be substituted as follows:
 - (a) Small-scale industry means cottage industries which have not more than
 9 workers and which use power of 0.25 horse power and above and
 under 5 horsepower and cottage handicraft industries which have more
 than three workers and which produce or process goods by members of
 a family or by hiring workers or collectively:"
 - (b) in sub-section(c), the expression "Power generated by manual power is not included in this expression" shall be inserted.

- 5. In section 3 of the Promotion of Cottage Industries Law:
 - (a) sub-section(b) shall be substituted as follows:
 - "(b) to cause the development of small-scale industries which is a fundamental power of State Economy, to cause the development of the private industrial sector and to promote the proportion of the participation of the industrial sector in the national net production value."
 - (b) after sub-section(h), sub-section(i),(j) and (k) shall be inserted as follows:
 - "(i) to cause the emergence of supporting works for medium-scale and large-scale industries:
 - (j) to enable conservation so that industries which will destroy the environment may not emerge and to enable supervision of the environmental conservation works;
 - (k) to enable cooperation among the industrial regions and entrepreneurs respectively."

6. After the expression "being able to obtain the assistance" contained in sub-section(e) of section 8 of the Promotion of Cottage Industries Law, the expression," and concluding business contracts with foreign parties" shall be inserted.

- 7. In section 9 of the Promotion of Cottage Industries Law:
 - (a) sub-section(b) shall be substituted as follows:

"(b) carrying out the exploring, experimenting and inventing new technologies; distribution of technical training programme and information which are necessary for the development of small-scale industries.

(b) the expression "the Ministry of Planning and Finance" contained in subsection(d) shall be substituted by the expression the Ministry of Finance and Revenue."

- (c) sub-section (i) shall be substituted as follows;
 - "(i) carrying out public awareness of the small-scale industries and to communicate local and foreign organizations by using the means to disseminate the information."

8. Sub-section (a) of section 10 of the Promotion of Cottage industries Law shall be substituted as follows:

- "(a) inspecting and calling for accounts of small-scale industries registered under section 5;"
- 9. In the Promotion of Cottage industries Law:
 - (a) sub-section (c) of section 18 shall be deleted;
 - (b) the expression "kyats ten thousand" contained in sub-section (b) of section 19 shall be substituted by the expression "kyats fifty thousand."

10. The expression "Prohibition and Penalties" which is the heading of Chapter IX of the Promotion of Cottage industries Law shall be substituted by the expression "Taking Administrative Action."

11. After Chapter IX of the Promotion of Cottage Industries Law, Chapter X shall be inserted as follows:

Chapter X

Offences and Penalties

22. Whoever carries out small-scale industries without effecting registration under this Law shall, on conviction, be punished with a fine of a minimum of kyats fifty thousand to maximum of kyats one hundred thousand.

23. Whoever continues to commit such offence after being convicted under section 22 shall be punished with a fine of kyats five hundred for each day of the continued violation."

12. Chapter X of the Promotion of Cottage Industries Law shall be renumbered as Chapter XI and section 22 and 23 as sections 24 and 25 respectively.

13. Renumbered section 25 of the promotion of Cottage Industries Law shall be substituted as follows;

"25. In implementing the provisions of this Law:

- (a) the Ministry may, with the approval of the Government, issue such rules as may be necessary or such procedures, notifications, orders and directives as may be necessary:
- (b) the Department may issue such order and directives as may be necessary."

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