The following Act of the Andhra Pradesh Legislature received the assent of the Governor on the 18th June, 2021 and the said assent is hereby first published on the 22nd June, 2021 in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette for general information:

**ACT No. 8 of 2021.**

**AN ACT FURTHER TO AMEND THE ANDHRA PRADESH SURVEY AND BOUNDARIES ACT, 1923.**

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Andhra Pradesh in the Seventy Second Year of the Republic of India as follows,—

1. **(1)** This Act may be called the Andhra Pradesh Survey and Boundaries (Amendment) Act, 2021.

   **(2)** It shall be deemed to have come into force on and from the 11th January, 2021.

2. In the Andhra Pradesh Survey and Boundaries Act, 1923 (herein after referred to as the Principal Act), in section 3,
   
   (i) for clause (ii), the following shall be substituted, namely,—

   “(ii) Government Lands :- ‘Government Lands’ mean such land(s) which are vested in Government by operation of Law and including Government owned lands”.

   (ii) after clause (ii) as so amended, the following new clause shall be inserted,—
“(ii)-A. Land:- ‘Land’ means all land whether owned by Government or otherwise.”

Amendment to title of Chapter II.


Amendment of section 5.

4. In the Principal Act, for section 5, the following shall be substituted namely,-

“(5) State Government may direct the Survey of land(s) or of any boundary of such land(s):-

The State Government or, subject to the control of the State Government, any officer or authority to whom this power may be delegated by it may by notification order a survey of any land owned by Government or otherwise.”

Amendment of section 12.

5. In the principal Act, in section 12, in clause (a), for the words “sixty (60) days” where ever it occurs, the words “thirty (30) days” shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 13.

6. In the principal Act, in section 13, after the words “village chavadi”, the words “Village Secretariat, Ward Secretariat” shall be inserted and for the words “of the village to which the survey relates”, the words “of the village/ward to which the survey relates” shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 16.

7. In the principal Act, in section 16,

(i) for the marginal heading along with opening portion, the following shall be substituted, namely,-

“Duties of Village Officer/Ward Officer:- It shall be the duty of every Village Officer / Ward Officer:”

(ii) after clauses (a) and (b) the following explanation shall be inserted namely,-

“Explanation:

Village Officer: Village Officer shall include Panchayat Secretary, Village Surveyor and Village Revenue Officer.

Ward Officer: Ward Officer shall include Ward Amenities Secretary, Ward Planning Secretary and Ward Revenue Secretary.”
8. (1) The Andhra Pradesh Survey and Boundaries (Amendment) Ordinance, 2021 (Ordinance No. 2 of 2021) is hereby repealed.

(2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken under the said Ordinance shall be deemed to have been done or taken under this Act.

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