



**KARNATAKA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY SEVENTH SESSION**

THE KARNATAKA LAND REVENUE (SECOND AMENDMENT) BILL, 2025

(LA Bill No. 61 of 2025)

**(As Introduced in the Karnataka Legislative Assembly and as recommended by the
Select Committee and as passed by the Karnataka Legislative Assembly)**

A Bill further to amend the Karnataka Revenue Act, 1964.

Whereas it is expedient further to amend the Karnataka Land Revenue Act, 1964 (Karnataka Act 12 of 1964), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

Be it enacted by the Karnataka State Legislature in the seventy sixth year of the Republic of India, as follows:-

1. Short title and commencement.-(1) This Act may be called the Karnataka Land Revenue (Second Amendment) Act, 2025.

(2) It shall come in to force on such date as the State Government may by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

2. Amendment of section 127.- In the Karnataka Land Revenue Act, 1964 (Karnataka Act 12 of 1964) in section 127, after sub-section (3), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:-

“(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in the preceding sub-sections, the Tahsildars of Kodagu District shall, on receipt of an application or otherwise, after following the procedure prescribed, and after conduct of enquiry as he deems fit, make necessary corrections or deletions in the land records pertaining to entries that were transferred from Column 3 of Jamabandi Register to Column 9 and 12 of RTC and consequential entries made due to such transfer thereof, to bring them in conformity with the provisions of clause (a) of sub-section (1) of this section:

Provided that any such order passed by the Tahsildar under this sub-section shall be appealable as per the procedure prescribed under this Act.”

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS
(As appended to at the time of introduction and as recommended by the
Select Committee)

It has come to the notice of Government that certain changes were introduced in the land records of Kodagu District which are not consistent with the provisions of the Karnataka Land Revenue Act, 1964 and the Karnataka Land Revenue Rules, 1966, as amended from time to time. These changes, which largely originated from Circular No. RTC 134:2000-2001 dated 14.09.2000, have resulted in anomalies in the classification and maintenance of land records, including entries in the Record of Rights (RTC), which are legally unsustainable and not in conformity with the prescribed procedure under the Act.

In view of the ongoing digitization and standardization of land records under the Bhoomi Project, and in light of various judicial pronouncements upholding the need for accuracy, uniformity and legality in maintaining revenue records, it has become necessary to empower the Tahsildars of Kodagu District to correct such inconsistencies in the land records following the due process of law.

Accordingly, it is proposed to insert a new sub-section (4) under section 127 of the Karnataka Land Revenue Act, 1964, enabling the Tahsildars in Kodagu District to make necessary corrections in the land records to bring them in conformity with clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 127, after following the prescribed procedure and ensuring that any such order remains appealable as per the existing provisions of the Act.

This amendment will bring the land records of Kodagu District in conformity with law and ensure consistency with the rest of the State.

Hence, the Bill.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

There is no extra expenditure involved in the proposed legislative measure.

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ANNEXURE
EXTRACT FROM THE KARNATAKA LAND REVENUE ACT, 1964
(KARNATAKA ACT No. 12 OF 1964)

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127. Record of Rights.- (1) A record or rights shall be prepared in the prescribed manner in respect of every village and such record shall include the following particulars:—

(a) the names of persons who are holders, occupants, owners, mortgagees, landlords or tenants of the land or assignees of the rent or revenue thereof;

(b) the nature and extent of the respective interest of such persons and the conditions or liabilities (if any) attaching thereto;

(c) the rent of revenue (if any) payable by or to any of such persons; and

(d) such other particulars as may be prescribed.

(2) The record of rights shall be maintained by such officers in such areas as may be prescribed and different officers may be prescribed for different areas.

(3) When the preparation of the record of rights referred to in sub-section (1) is completed in respect of any village, the fact of such completion shall be notified in the official Gazette and in such manner as may be prescribed.

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