KARNATAKA ACT NO. 31 OF 2015
THE KARNATAKA LAND REVENUE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2015

Arrangement of Sections

Sections:
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2. Amendment of section 94C
3. Amendment of section 95

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Amending Act 31 of 2015.- In view of the amended section 109 of the Karnataka Land Reforms Act, 1961, it is considered necessary to amend the Karnataka Land Revenue Act, 1964 to provide for,-

(i) regularization of the unauthorized construction of dwelling houses on Government lands;

(ii) extension of the time limit for receipt of application for the permission of conversion of agriculture land to non-agriculture purpose; and

(iii) exemption of ten percent of the holding used for bonafide agriculture purpose exclusively for construction of farm house.

Hence, the Bill.

[entry 18 of List II of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India.]
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(Received the assent of the Governor on the twelfth day of August, 2015)
An Act further to amend the Karnataka Land 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 Sixty-sixth year of the Republic of India, as follows:-

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) This Act may be called the Karnataka Land Revenue (Amendment) Act, 2015.
(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment of section 94C. - In section 94C of the Karnataka Land Revenue Act, 1964 (Karnataka Act 12 of 1964) (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), in clause (vie), for the words and figures "upto 2,400 sq.feet", the words and figures "upto 4,000 sq.feet" shall be substituted.

3. Amendment of section 95. - In section 95 of the principal Act,-
(a) after sub-section (1), the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:-
"Provided that the farm Building or farm House so erected shall not be more than ten percent of his holding subject to maximum of such extent of land as may be prescribed.
Explanation.- For the purpose of this sub-section “Farm Buildings” or "Farm house" means a house attached to a farm and constructed in a portion of an agricultural land, used for the residence of the agriculturist or used for the purpose of keeping agricultural equipments and tethering cattle. The house shall be used by farmer for his own use and it shall not be let out for commercial activities to any individual or agency."

(a) after sub-section (9), the following shall be inserted, namely:-
“(10) If any occupant of any agriculture land assessed or held for the purpose of agriculture wishes to divert such land or part thereof for the purpose of setting up of solar power generation in accordance with Karnataka Solar Policy 2014-21 issued in G.O EN 21 VSC 2014 dated 22.05.2014 which has been approved by State and Central Government and which has been approved by the Competent Authority, the permission applied for conversion of such land shall be deemed to have been granted for that purpose so long as they use for purpose for which permission is granted subject to payment of the conversion fine and all such other fees payable if any, in this regard."

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Karnataka,

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