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Preamble.—WHEREAS, it is expedient to repeal certain Amendment Acts, the retention whereof as separate Acts is unnecessary;

BE it enacted in the Seventy-seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) This Act may be called the Kerala Repealing and Saving Act, 2026.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. *Repeal of certain Amendment Acts.*—The Amendment Acts specified in the Schedule to this Act are hereby repealed.

3. *Saving.*—(1) The repeal of any Amendment Act specified in the Schedule of this Act shall not affect any other enactment in which the repealed enactment has been applied, incorporated or referred to and this Act shall not affect the validity, invalidity, effect or consequences of anything already done or suffered, or any right, title, obligation or liability already acquired, accrued or incurred or any remedy or proceeding in respect thereof, or any release or discharge of or from any debt, penalty, obligation, liability, claim or demand, or any indemnity already granted, or the proof of any past act or thing;

Nor shall this Act affect any principle or rule of law, or established jurisdiction, form or course of pleading, practice or procedure, or existing usage, custom, privilege, restriction, exemption, office or appointment, notwithstanding that the same respectively may have been in any manner affirmed, recognised or derived by, in or from any enactment hereby repealed;

Nor shall the repeal by this Act of any enactment revive or restore any jurisdiction, office, custom, liability, right, title, privilege, restriction, exemption, usage, practice, procedure or other matter or thing not now existing or in force.

(2) The provisions of section 4 of the Kerala Interpretation and General Clauses Act, 1125 (VII of 1125) shall be applicable in respect of repeal of an enactment by this Act.

SCHEDULE

(*see* section 2)

Sl.No.	Year & Act No.		Short title
(1)	(2)		(3)
Amendment Acts			
1	2009	29	The Kerala Land Conservancy (Amendment) Act, 2009
2	2015	1	The Kerala Taxation Laws (Amendment) Act, 2014
3	2016	8	The Kerala Land Tax (Amendment) Act, 2016
4	2017	13	The Kerala Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Act, 2017
5	2018	29	The Kerala Conservation of Paddy Land and Wet Land (Amendment) Act, 2018

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The periodical repealing of Acts which are obsolete or no longer needed, helps to remove those laws from Statute Books . Amendment Acts are not necessary to be retained in the Statute Book as separate Acts since they became part of their parent Acts.

2. Based on the 15th report of the Kerala Law Reforms Commission appointed by the State Government under the Chairmanship of Justice K.T. Thomas, it was recommended to repeal 218 Acts which are obsolete and are no longer needed vide the Kerala Repealing and Saving Bill, 2021, and were repealed through the Kerala Repealing and Saving Act, 2022 (Act 12 of 2022) and the Kerala Repealing and Saving Act, 2024 (Act 27 of 2024). In the light of Cabinet decision dated 19-7-2026 to repeal laws that have become obsolete or lost their relevance, the Government has now decided to repeal the five Amendment Acts remaining in the Kerala Repealing and Saving Bill, 2021.

3. The Bill seeks to achieve the above object.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

The Bill if enacted and brought into operation would not involve any expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of the State.

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