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**THE KARNATAKA MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS
(AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015
(L.A. Bill No. 20 of 2015)**

A Bill further to amend the Karnataka Municipal Corporations Act, 1976.

Whereas it is expedient further to amend the Karnataka Municipal Corporations Act, 1976 (Karnataka Act 14 of 1977) 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, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) This Act may be called the Karnataka Municipal Corporations (Amendment) Act, 2015.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment of section 3.- In the Karnataka Municipal Corporations Act, 1976 (Karnataka Act 14 of 1977) (herein after referred to as the principal Act), in section 3, the proviso to sub-section (2), shall be omitted.

3. Insertion of new section 4A.- After section 4 of the principal Act, the following shall be inserted, namely:-

"4A. Reconstitution of larger urban area of the corporation of the city of Bangalore.- (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or any judgment, decree or order of any Court or Authority for the purpose of reconstitution, the larger urban area of corporation of city of Bangalore constituted under section 3 and 4 (hereinafter referred to as the corporation of city of Bangalore) shall cease to exist with immediate effect.

(2) From the date of ceasure all assets and liabilities vested in the corporation of the city of Bangalore shall, until it is reconstituted, vest in Government;

(3) The Governor shall having regard to provisions of section 3, constitute such number of new corporations as recommended by the State Government by notification after previous publications, comprising of such areas of erstwhile the larger urban area of the corporation of the city of Bangalore.

(4) The draft of the notification so issued under sub-section(3), shall be published in the official Gazette giving opportunity for persons likely to be affected, if any, for filing their objections and suggestions within a period of thirty days.

(5) After considering the objections and suggestions received, if any, on draft notification issued under sub-section(3), the Governor may on the recommendation of the State Government with such modification, if any, issue final notification constituting such number of new corporations specifying areas and boundaries comprising therein.

Provided that any appointment, notification, notice, tax, order, scheme, license, permission, rule, bye-law or form made or issued or imposed under the said laws in respect of the larger urban area the corporation of the city of Bangalore which were in force as applicable immediately before the date of ceasure shall continue in force and be deemed to have been made, issued or imposed under the provisions of this Act unless and until it is superseded by any appointment, notification, notice, tax, order, scheme, license, permission, rule, bye-law or form, made or issued or imposed under this Act.

(6) The unexpended balance of the funds of the said larger urban area of the corporation of the city of Bangalore (including arrears of rates, taxes and fees) belonging to the said corporation and all properties, rights, liabilities and powers which, prior to such ceasure, shall vest in the Government and the Government may determine the portion of the

corporation of the city of Bangalore assets and liabilities etc, to be apportioned among new larger urban area or the corporations which shall, subject to all charges and liabilities affecting the same, vest in the new corporation or the larger urban area (hereinafter referred to as the corporation).

(7) All budget estimates, assessment lists, valuations or measurements, made or authenticated under any law or rule immediately before the said date of ceasure in respect of the said larger urban area of the corporation of the city of Bangalore shall be deemed to have been made or authenticated under this Act.

(8) All debts and obligations incurred and all contracts made by or on behalf of the larger urban area of the corporation of the city of Bangalore immediately before the said date of ceasure and subsisting on the said date shall be deemed to have been incurred and made by the new corporation in exercise of the powers conferred on it by this Act.

(9) All officers and servants in the service of the larger urban area of the corporation of the city of Bangalore immediately before the said date of ceasure shall become officers and servants of the new corporation opted under this Act and shall, until other provision is made in accordance with the provisions of this Act, receive salaries and allowances and be subject to the conditions of service to which they were entitled immediately before such date.

(10) All proceedings pending on the said date before the larger urban area of the corporation of the city of Bangalore shall be deemed to be transferred to and shall be continued before the new Corporation.

(11) All appeals pending before any authority shall; so far as may be practicable, be disposed of as if the said local area had been included in the new larger urban area when they were filed.

(12) All prosecutions instituted by or on behalf of the larger urban area of the corporation of the city of Bangalore, all suits or other legal proceedings instituted by or against the larger urban area corporation of the

city of Bangalore or any officer thereof pending on the said date shall be continued by or against the new corporation as if the area of the larger urban area the corporation of the city of Bangalore had been included in the new larger urban area or corporation when such prosecutions had been, suits or proceedings were instituted.

(13) All the councilors, Mayor and Deputy Mayor of the larger urban area of the corporation of the city of Bangalore on the date of ceasure, shall cease to hold office as councilors or Mayor or Deputy Mayor without prejudice to their eligibility for election under sub-section (20).

(14) During the period of ceasure of the larger urban area of the corporation of the city of Bangalore, all powers and duties conferred and imposed upon the corporation and the standing committees of the corporation by or under this Act or any other law shall be exercised and performed by an Administrator appointed by the Government in that behalf.

(15) Government may direct that the Administrator shall be a whole-time officer and when such a direction is issued, he shall be paid out of the corporation funds such monthly salary and allowances as Government may from time to time, by order, determine and the corporation shall make such contribution towards the leave allowances, pension and provident fund of the officer as may be required by the conditions of service under the Government, to be paid by him or for him, as the case may be.

(16) During the period of ceasure of the corporation of the city of Bangalore, references in any enactment or law for the time being in force to the Mayor of the corporation shall be construed as references to the Administrator appointed under sub-section (14).

(17) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, on the appointment of an Administrator under this section, during the period of such appointment, the corporation, the standing committees of the corporation and the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and other authorities other than the Commissioner, charged with carrying out the provisions of this Act or any other law, shall cease to exercise any powers and perform and

discharge any duties or functions conferred or imposed on them by or under this Act or any other law, and all such powers shall be exercised and all such duties and functions shall be performed and discharged by the Administrator.

(18) During the period of ceasure of the corporation of the city of Bangalore, the Administrator shall in the discharge of his functions be guided by such directions in matters of policy involving public interest as the Government may by order specify; and if any question arises whether a direction relates to a matter of policy involving public interest the decision of the Government shall be final.

(19) Government may, by notification, appoint an advisory committee consisting of not less than fifteen and not more than twenty-five persons who shall be qualified to become councilors under this Act to assist the Administrator.

(20) On the ceasure of the corporation of the city of Bangalore it shall be reconstituted in the manner provided under this Act before the end of six months from the date of such ceasure:

Provided that where the remainder of the period for which the ceased the corporation of the city of Bangalore would have continued is less than six months it shall not be necessary to hold an election under this section for constituting a Corporation for such period.

4. Amendment of section 7.- In section 7 of the Principal Act, in sub-section(1), in clause (b), the words "not exceeding ten percent of the total number of councilors in the case of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and" shall be omitted.

5. Amendment of section 11.- In section 11 of the principal Act,-

(a) in sub-section (1), the words "other than the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike" shall be omitted;

- (b) sub-section (1A), shall be omitted;
- (c) in sub-section (2), for clauses (a) and (b), the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"shall consist of seven councillors."

6. Omission of section 61A.- In the principal Act, section 61A shall be omitted.

7. Amendment of section 62.- In section 62 of the principal Act,-

- (i) in the heading the word "other" shall be omitted;
- (ii) the words "other than the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike" shall be omitted.

8. Amendment of section 108A.- In section 108A of the principal Act,-

- (1) in the heading, after the words "in respect of", the words "areas of erstwhile" shall be inserted;
- (2) in sub-section (1), after the words "within the" the words "erstwhile" shall be inserted;
- (3) in sub-section (2),-
 - (i) for the words "Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike" the words "corporation" shall be substituted;
 - (ii) in the explanation the words "Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike" shall be omitted;
 - (iii) in the third proviso, the words "Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike" occurring in two places shall be omitted'
- (4) in sub-section (3), for the words "Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike", the words "corporation" shall be substituted;
- (5) in sub-section (5),-

- (i) after the words "apply to", the words "areas of erstwhile" shall be inserted;
 - (ii) in the proviso, for the words "Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike", the words "corporation" shall be substituted;
- (6) in sub-section (8), the words "Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike" shall be omitted.

9. Amendment of section 152.- In the principal Act, in section 152, after the words "in this Act", the words "the new corporations in the areas of erstwhile" shall be inserted.

10. Amendment of section 167.- In section 167 of the Principal Act, in sub-section (1), for the words "in the case of corporations other than Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and standing committee for taxation and finance in the case of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike" shall be omitted.

11. Amendment of section 171.- In the Principal Act, in section 171, the words "in the case of corporation other than Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and the standing committee for taxation and finance in the case of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike" shall be omitted.

12. Amendment of section 443A.- In section 443A of the Principal Act, in sub section (1), clause (i) shall be omitted.

13. Amendment of section 503B.- In section 503B of the Principal Act,-

- (i) in sub section (1),-
 - (a) the words "Bangalore" shall be omitted;
 - (b) in the explanation the words "Bangalore" shall be omitted;
- (ii) in sub section (4), for the word "Bangalore", the word "Urban" shall be substituted;
- (iii) in sub section (6) the word "Bangalore" shall be omitted.

14. Amendment of section 506.- In section 506 of the Principal Act, in sub-section (1),-

- (i) in clause (i), for the words "Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike", the words "Corporation of the city of Bangalore" shall be substituted;
- (ii) in clause (ii), for the words "Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike", occurring in two places the words "Corporation of the city of Bangalore" shall be substituted;
- (iii) in clause (iii), for the words "Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike", the words "Corporation of city the of Bangalore" shall be substituted.

15. Power to remove difficulty.- If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of the Principal Act, as amended by this Act the Government may by order published in the official Gazette, as the occasion may require, do anything which appears to it to be necessary to remove the difficulty.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASON

The population of the Larger urban area of the city of Bangalore has gone beyond eighty lakhs. Therefore, it is difficult to supervise the implementation of the State or Central Schemes. For the purpose of smooth administration of the corporation of the city of Bangalore, the expert committee appointed by the Government has also recommended in its interim report for trifurcation of the corporation of the city of Bangalore. Therefore, it is considered necessary to reconstitute the corporation of the city of Bangalore into two or more corporations. Hence, it is considered necessary to amend the Karnataka Municipal Corporations Act, 1976 (Karnataka Act 14 of 1977) accordingly.

Hence, the Bill.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

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

SIDDARAMAIAH
Chief Minister

P. OMPRAKASHA
Secretary
Karnataka Legislative Assembly

ANNEXURE

**EXTRACT FROM THE KARNATAKA MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS ACT,
1976 (KARNATAKA ACT 14 OF 1977)**

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3. Specifying larger urban area and establishment of Corporation,
etc.- XX XX XX

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Provided that the "Corporation of City of Bangalore" shall be called the
"Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike

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7. Constitution of the Corporation .- (1) The Corporation shall
consist of,-

(a) such number of elected councillors not being less than thirty and
not more than two hundred as the Government may, by notification,
determine"; and

(b) not exceeding ten percent of the total number of Councillors in the
case of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and not more than five
persons in the case of other City Corporations nominated by the
Government from amongst the residents of the city,-

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11. Standing Committees.- (1) There shall be the following Standing
Committees for the corporations other than the Bruhat Bangalore
Mahanagara Palike, namely:-

(a) the Standing Committee for taxation, finance and appeals;

(b) the Standing Committee for public health, education and social
justice;

(c) the Standing Committee for town planning and improvement;

(d) the Standing Committee for accounts.

(1-A) There shall be the following Standing Committees for the Bruhat
Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, namely:-

(a) the Standing Committee for taxation and finance;

- (b) the Standing Committee for public health;
- (c) the Standing Committee for town planning and improvement;
- (d) the Standing Committee for major public works;
- (e) the Standing Committee for ward level public works;
- (f) the Standing Committee for accounts;
- (g) the Standing Committee for education;
- (h) the Standing Committee for social justice;
- (i) the Standing Committee for appeals;
- (j) the Standing Committee for horticulture;
- (k) the Standing Committee for markets;
- (l) the Standing Committee for establishment and Administrative Reforms.

(2) Each Standing Committee, -

- (a) for Corporations other than the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike shall consist of seven Councilors of the Corporation; and
- (b) for Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike shall consist of eleven Councilors of Corporation elected at the first meeting of the corporation after the general elections and at the first meeting in the same month in each succeeding year according to the principle of proportionate representation by means of single transferable vote: Provided that the Standing Committee for public health, education and social justice or as the case may be, the standing committee for social justice shall consist of not less than two Councillors belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

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61A. Functions of the Standing Committees of the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike.- (1) The Standing Committees for the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike shall perform the following functions, namely:-

- (a) the Standing Committee for taxation and finance shall deal with all matters relating to finance and taxation and all matters not specifically assigned to any other standing committee;

(b) the Standing Committee for public health shall deal with all matters relating to public health;

(c) the Standing Committee for town planning and improvement shall deal with all matters relating to town planning and improvement;

(d) the Standing Committee for major works shall deal with all major works in the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike like Flyovers, Underpasses, Subways, Road Widening, Ring Roads, Elevated Roads and all works incidental thereto including land acquisition;

(e) the Standing Committee for ward level works shall deal with public streets and its appurtenances including street lighting at the ward level excluding the major works like Flyovers, Underpasses, Subways, Road Widening, Ring Roads, Elevated Roads;

(f) the Standing Committee for Accounts shall deal with all matters relating to accounts and audit;

(g) the Standing Committee for Education shall deal with all matters relating to preprimary, primary, secondary and higher secondary education including physical education and sports;

(h) the Standing Committee for Social Justice shall deal with all matters relating to securing the social justice to persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and other weaker sections of the society and women;

(i) the Standing Committee for appeals shall deal with all matters relating to appeals;

(j) the Standing Committee for horticulture shall deal with all matters relating to horticulture;

(k) the Standing Committee for markets shall deal with all matters relating to the markets;

(l) the Standing Committee for establishment and administrative reforms shall deal with all matters relating to establishment and administrative reforms.

(2) The Corporation shall, by regulations framed for the purpose, determine the powers and duties of each Standing Committee, not specifically provided for in this Act and may by regulations provide for a conference of two or more Standing Committees or for the appointment out

of such committee of a joint committee for any purpose in respect of which they may be jointly interested.

(3) The Standing Committee for accounts, in addition to the powers and duties assigned to it under the regulations,-

- (a) shall supervise the utilization of the budget grants;
- (b) shall have access to the accounts of the corporation, and may require the Commissioner to furnish any clarification which it considers to be necessary as to the receipts and expenditure of the Corporation fund;
- (c) may conduct a monthly audit of the Corporation accounts and shall be bound to check the monthly abstract of receipts and disbursements for the preceding month as furnished by the Commissioner; and
- (d) may, subject to the approval of the Corporation, write off the amount of any loss, or depreciation caused to Corporation property which appears to the committee to be irrecoverable:

Provided that where the amount of any such loss or depreciation exceeds rupees one thousand it shall not be written off except with previous sanction of the Government.

(4) The Corporation shall sanction such staff as may reasonably be required by the standing committees to discharge their respective functions.

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62. Functions of the Standing Committees of other corporations.-

Standing Committees for the corporations other than the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, shall perform the following functions, namely:-

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108A. Levy and calculation of property tax in respect of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike.-

(1) Notwithstanding anything contrary contained in this Act, subject to such exemptions provided under this Act and such rules as may be prescribed, the property tax of all buildings or vacant lands or both situated within the city of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike area shall be levied every year in the following manner.

(2) The property tax shall be levied by the Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike by resolution passed as specified in section 106 at such percentage not being less than 20 percent and not more than 25 percent of the taxable

annual value of a building, vacant land or both. The taxable annual value of a building, vacant land or both shall be calculated by multiplying the corresponding "unit area value" with the total built-up area of a building, vacant land or both for ten months, minus depreciation at such rate, as may be prescribed, depending on the age of a building.

Explanation.- For the purpose of this section, "Unit Area Value" means an average rate of expected returns from the property per sq.ft., per month determined by the Commissioner, Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike on the basis of the average market rate determined through mass appraisal method or real estate market information or any other reliable source or combination of these sources that he may considers it as sufficient and reasonable having regard to the location, type of construction of the building, nature of use to which the vacant land or building is put, area of the vacant land, built-up area of the building, age of the building, parking area of vehicles in non-residential building where it is charged and such other criteria as may be prescribed. Different rates may be determined for different area or street by classifying into zones, different nature of use to which the vacant land or building is put and for different class of buildings and vacant lands: Provided that no such "unit area value" shall come into force unless it is previously published in the official Gazette for the information of the persons likely to be affected and an opportunity is provided to make representation or suggestions, if any, in this regard: Provided further that the land appurtenant to a building to the extent not exceeding thrice the area occupied by such building shall be exempted from the property tax: Provided also that subject to such condition and in such circumstances as may be notified, the Commissioner, Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, may, in lieu of the tax under sub-section (2), fix any lumpsum amount as annual tax, irrespective of zonal classification, in respect of,-

(a) a built-up area having less than 300 sq.ft., in a slum area declared as such by the Karnataka Slum Clearance Board or the Commissioner, Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike; and

(b) an area used as parking area in a non-residential building and being charged for its use by the owner or the occupier.

(c) any other class of building or structure as he deems fit.

(3) The Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike may levy and collect the property tax from every building, vacant land or both including a

building constructed in violation of the provisions of building byelaw or in an unauthorized layout or in a revenue land or from a building occupied without issuance of occupancy or completion certificate except the building constructed illegally in Government land, land belonging to any local body, any statutory body or an organization owned or controlled by the Government. The property tax collected from such building shall be maintained in a separate register:

Provided that levy and collection of property tax under this subsection from such building does not confer any right to regularise violation made, or title, ownership or legal status to such building. Such buildings shall always be liable for any action for violation of law in accordance with the provisions of this Act or any other law.

(4) The property tax payable shall be reduced by fifty percent in respect of a self occupied building used for residential purpose and such class of self occupied non-residential building as may be notified by the State Government on the recommendation of the Corporation.

(5) The provisions contained in sections 107, 110, 111, 112, subsections (5), (6) and (7) of section 112A, and sections 112B, 112D and 113 to the extent they are not inconsistent to the provisions of this section shall mutatis mutandis apply to the Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike: Provided that the State Government may prescribe separate procedure, form or register in respect of property assessed by the Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike. A different register may be prescribed for different class of property assessed for tax.

(6) The person primarily liable to pay the property tax, shall pay the tax in two equal instalments. The first being before 30th May and second by 29th November of each financial year. However, the owner or occupier or person primarily liable to pay property tax may choose to pay in one instalment: Provided that for the year 2008-09, the first instalment shall be paid within sixty days from the date of commencement of the Karnataka Municipal Corporations (Amendment) Act, 2009 and the second instalment shall be paid within thirty days thereafter: Provided further that if the owner or occupier who is liable to pay property tax files return and also pays property tax for the whole year, within one month from the date of commencement of each year or within one month or within one month from the date of commencement of the Karnataka Municipal Corporations (Amendment) Act, 2009 for the year 2008-09, he shall be allowed a rebate of

five per cent on the tax payable by him: Provided also that the State Government may on the recommendation of the Corporation by notification extend the time limit for payment of property tax without penalty and for the benefit of 5% rebate in respect of the financial year 2008-09 and 2009-2010. Provided also that subject to random scrutiny as may be prescribed, the tax return filed for the first time during 2008-09 shall form the base for payment of tax applicable during each block year.

(7) Before any owner or occupier submits any return under sub-section (8), he shall pay in advance half-yearly tax calculated or the full amount of the property tax payable by him for the year on the basis of such return declared by him as being true and complete.

(8) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1) of section 112A, the State Government may prescribe the form and the manner in which every owner or occupier who is liable to pay the property tax under this Act shall submit a return every year to the Commissioner, Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike or to the officer or agency authorized by him in this behalf.

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152. Contribution for supply of water to the inhabitants of the City of Bangalore.- Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palikeshall make such contribution to the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board for supply of water for the benefit of such class of inhabitants of the City of Bangalore in accordance with such arrangements as the said corporation has entered into with the said Board before the commencement of this Act.

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167. Budget estimates to be prepared by the standing committee for 1[taxation, finance and appeals or as the case may be, standing committee for taxation and finance.- (1) The standing committee for taxation, finance and appeals in the case of corporations other than the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and the standing committee for taxation and finance in the case of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike shall, on or as soon as may be, after the fifteenth day of January consider the estimates and proposals of the Commissioner and after having obtained proposals, if any, of other standing committees and such further detailed information, if any, as it shall think fit to require from the Commissioner

and having regard to all the requirements of this Act, shall prepare therefrom, subject to such modifications and additions therein or thereto as it shall think fit, a budget estimate of the income and expenditure of the corporation for the next year.

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171. Corporation may pass supplemental budget.- The Corporation may, on the recommendation of the standing committee for taxation, finance and appeals in the case of corporations other than the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and the standing committee for taxation and finance in the case of Bruhat Bangalore, Mahanagara Palike during the year pass a supplemental budget estimate for the purpose of meeting any special or unforeseen requirements, arising during that year; so however that the estimated cash balance under General Account-Revenue at the close of the year shall not be reduced to less than one lakh of rupees: Provided that no item shall be included in the supplemental budget which had been disallowed by the Government while sanctioning the Budget.

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443-A. Appeal to Karnataka Appellate Tribunal or District Court.-

(1) Any person aggrieved by any notice issued, action taken or proposed to be taken by the Commissioner under sections 308, 309, 321 (3) may appeal,-

(i) to the Karnataka Appellate Tribunal in case of the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike;

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503B. Metropolitan Planning Committee.- (1) The Government shall constitute a Metropolitan Planning Committee for the Bangalore Metropolitan Area to prepare a draft development plan for such area as a whole.

Explanation.- For the purpose of this section "Bangalore Metropolitan area" means an area specified by the Governor to be a metropolitan area under clause (c) of Article 243P of the Constitution of India.

(2) The Metropolitan Planning Committee shall consist of thirty persons of which,-

(a) such number of persons, not being less than two-thirds of the members of the Committee, as may be specified by the Government shall be

elected in the prescribed manner by, and from amongst, the elected members of the corporations, the Municipal Councils and town Panchayats, and the Adyakshas and Upadyakshas of Zilla Panchayats, Taluk Panchayats and Grama Panchayats in the Metropolitan area in proportion to the ratio between the population of the city and other municipal area and that of the areas in the jurisdiction of Zilla Panchayat, Taluk Panchayat and Grama Panchayat;

(b) such number of representatives of,-

(i) the Government of India and the State Government as may be determined by the State Government, and nominated by the Government of India or as the case may be, the State Government;

(ii) such organisations and institutions as may be deemed necessary for carrying out of functions assigned to the committee, nominated by the State Government;

(3) All the members of the House of the People and the State Legislative Assembly whose constituencies lie within the Metropolitan area and the members of the Council of State and the State Legislative Council who are registered as electors in such area shall be permanent invites of the Committee.

(4) The Commissioner, Bangalore Development Authority shall be the Secretary of the Committee.

(5) The Chairman of the Metropolitan Planning Committee shall be chosen in such manner as may be prescribed.

(6) The Metropolitan Planning Committee shall prepare a draft development plan for the Bangalore metropolitan area as a whole.

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506. Transitional and transitory provisions.- (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, until the constitution of a corporation in accordance with the provisions of this Act for the City of Bangalore and the City of Hubli-Dharwar,-

(i) the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike constituted under the City of Bangalore Municipal Corporation Act, 1949 and the Hubli Dharwar Corporation constituted under the Bombay Provincial Municipal Corporations Act, 1949, functioning immediately before the commencement of this Act, shall on and from the date of such commencement become

bodies competent to exercise the powers in respect of the City of Bangalore and the City of Hubli-Dharwar as the case may be;

(ii) the persons holding office immediately before the date of commencement of this Act, as Mayor, Deputy Mayor or councillors of the City of Bangalore Corporation or the Hubli-Dharwar Corporation as the case may be, shall with effect from such date become Mayor, Deputy Mayor or councillor respectively of the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagaran Palike or the corporation of the City of Hubli-Dharwar, as the case may be, and they shall continue to discharge the functions conferred on a Mayor, Deputy Mayor, or councillor as the case may be under this Act until a Mayor, a Deputy Mayor or councillor elected in accordance with this Act for the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike or the City of Hubli-Dharwar as the case may be, constituted under this Act;

(iii) the standing committees functioning immediately before the commencement of this Act shall stand dissolved with effect from the date of such commencement and the chairmen and members of such standing committees shall cease to be the chairmen and members respectively and the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and the Corporation of the City of Hubli-Dharwar shall at their first meeting immediately after the commencement of this Act elect members of the standing committees as provided for in this Act and the standing committees so constituted shall elect the chairman in accordance with the provisions of this Act and such standing committees shall exercise the powers and perform the functions of the standing committees under this Act until standing committees are constituted by the said corporation after general elections are held in accordance with the provisions of this Act;

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