

Assam Fixation of Ceiling on Land Holdings (Amendment) Bill, 2022

A Bill

further to amend the Assam Fixation of Ceiling on Land Holdings Act, 1956.

Preamble

Whereas it is expedient further to amend the Assam Fixation of Ceiling on Land Holdings Act, 1956, hereinafter referred to as the principal Act, in the manner hereinafter appearing;

Assam Act
No. 1 of
1957

It is hereby enacted in the Seventy-third Year of the Republic of India as follows: -

Short title, extent and commencement

1. (1) This Act may be called the Assam Fixation of Ceiling on Land Holdings (Amendment) Act, 2022.
- (2) It shall have the like extent as the principal Act.
- (3) It shall come into force at once.

Amendment of section 4

2. In the principal Act, in section 4, in sub-section 2, in the first proviso, in the Explanation, in clause (xi), in last line, for the punctuation mark “.”, the punctuation mark “:” shall be substituted and thereafter the following provisos shall be inserted, namely:-

“Provided that the land, subject to maximum five percent of total garden area, which tea gardens are allowed to retain under the provisions of this Act, may be used for the following purposes, namely:-

- (a) promotion of eco-friendly tea tourism;
- (b) cultivation of agricultural crops which include cash crops, horticultural crop, floriculture, medicinal plants, agar wood, sandal wood and bamboo;
- (c) animal husbandry and fisheries;
- (d) green power and non-conventional energy resources;
- (e) social infrastructure and services which include wellness centres, schools, colleges, universities, medical, nursing, paramedical institutions, cultural and recreational exhibition centres and Government Offices that could be set up by Tea Garden Authority or a Government entity;
- (f) food processing, blending and packaging units:

- Repeal and savings
3. (1) The Assam Fixation of Ceiling on Land Holdings (Amendment) Ordinance, 2022 (Assam Ordinance No.III of 2022) is hereby repealed.
 - (2) Notwithstanding such repeal anything done or any action taken under the Ordinance so repealed, shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of the principal Act as amended by this Act.