Government Notice No. 7 of 2024

THE WORKERS' RIGHTS ACT 2019

Regulations made by the Minister under sections 33 and 124 of the Workers' Rights Act 2019

- **1.** These regulations may be cited as the Workers' Rights (Additional Remuneration) (2024) Regulations 2024.
- **2.** In these regulations
 - "Act" means the Workers' Rights Act 2019;
 - "worker" -
 - (a) means a person who works or has worked under a contract of service or apprenticeship, whether
 - (i) the contract is express or implied, oral or in writing; and
 - (ii) the person is paid on a daily, weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis or otherwise; and
 - (b) includes a part-time worker and an atypical worker; but
 - (c) does not include a public officer.
- **3.** (1) Every employer shall, in accordance with section 33 of the Act, pay, as from 1 January 2024, an additional remuneration to every worker in his employment.
- (2) Subject to section 33(3) of the Act, the additional remuneration shall, in relation to
 - (a) a full-time worker who earns a monthly basic wage or salary –

- (i) below 20,000 rupees, be 10 per cent of the monthly basic wage or salary, rounded up to the next rupee, or 1,500 rupees per month, whichever is higher;
- (ii) of 20,000 rupees and above, be 2,000 rupees per month;
- (b) a part-time worker, be 10 per cent of the monthly basic wage or salary of the worker, rounded up to the next rupee, but not exceeding 2,000 rupees per month.
- **4.** For the purpose of determining the appropriate additional remuneration payable to a worker who is remunerated otherwise than on a monthly basis, a fortnight or a week shall be deemed to consist of such number of days as may be prescribed in any other enactment or agreed upon in relation to that worker.
- **5.** (1) Subject to subparagraph (2), where a worker is remunerated on a piece rate basis at the rates prescribed in
 - (a) the Banks Fishermen and Frigo-workers (Remuneration) Regulations 2019;
 - (b) the Cinema Employees (Remuneration) Regulations 2019;
 - (c) the Tea Industry Workers (Remuneration) Regulations 2019; or
 - (d) any other enactment,

such rates shall, as from 1 January 2024, be increased by 10 per cent, but the amount paid as additional remuneration shall not be less than 1,500 rupees and not more than 2,000 rupees per month.

- (2) The piece rates prescribed in the enactments specified in paragraph (1) shall include any previous additional remuneration granted under any other enactment.
- **6.** These regulations shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1 January 2024.

Made by the Minister on 15 January 2024.