

**THE  
KARNATAKA CIVIL COURTS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023  
[KARNATAKA ACT No. 33 OF 2024]**

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An Act further to amend the Karnataka Civil Courts Act, 1964.

Whereas, it is expedient further to amend the Karnataka Civil Courts Act, 1964 (Karnataka Act 21 of 1964) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

Be it enacted by the Karnataka State Legislature in the seventy fourth year of the Republic of India as follows.–

**1. Short title and commencement.**–(1) This Act may be called the **Karnataka Civil Courts (Amendment) Act, 2023**.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment to Section 17.**–In Section 17 of the Karnataka Civil Courts Act, 1964 (Karnataka Act 21 of 1964) (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act), for the words, “five lakh rupees” the words “fifteen lakh rupees” shall be substituted.

**3. Amendment to Section 19.**–For section 19 of the Principal Act, the following shall be substituted, namely.–

“19. **Appeals from Senior Civil Judge.**– Appeals from the decrees and orders passed by a Senior Civil Judge in original suits and proceedings of a civil nature, shall, when such appeals are allowed by law, lie to the District Court.”

**4. Power to remove difficulty.**–All amendments made to the Karnataka Civil Courts Act, 1964 (Karnataka Act 21 of 1964), by this amendment Act shall come into force retrospectively with effect from 28-08-2007. If any difficulty arises in giving effect to

the provisions of the Karnataka Civil Courts Act, 1964, as amended by this Act, the State Government may, as occasion arises, by an order published in the Official Gazette, do anything, not inconsistent with the provisions of the Karnataka Civil Courts Act, 1964 amended by this Act, which appears to it to be necessary or expedient for the purpose of removing the difficulty:

Provided that, no such order shall be made after the expiry of a period of two years from the date of commencement of this Act.

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### ORDER

Whereas Section 17 of the Karnataka Civil Courts Act, 1964 (Karnataka Act No. 21 of 1964) as amended by the Karnataka Civil Courts (Amendment) Act, 2023 (Karnataka Act No. 33 of 2024) was brought into force by publication of Notification in the Official Gazette No. DPAL 45 SHASANA 2023, BENGALURU, dated 19-06-2024, which provides that the Jurisdiction of a Court of a Civil Judge shall extend to all original suits and proceedings of a civil nature, not otherwise excluded from the Civil Judge jurisdiction, of which the amount or value of the subject matter does not exceed fifteen lakh rupees;

Whereas Section 19 of the Karnataka Civil Courts Act, 1964 (Karnataka Act No. 21 of 1964) as amended by the Karnataka Civil Courts (Amendment) Act, 2023 (Karnataka Act No. 33 of 2024) was brought into force by publication of Notification in the official Gazette No. DPAL 45 SHASANA 2023, BENGALURU, dated 19-06-2024, which provides that appeals from the decrees and orders passed by a Senior Civil Judge in original suits and proceedings of a civil nature, shall, when such appeals are allowed by law, lie to the District Court Whereas difficulties have arisen in giving effect to the provisions of the Karnataka Civil Courts Act, 1964 (Karnataka Act No. 21 of 1964) as amended by the Karnataka Civil Courts (Amendment) Act,

2023 (Karnataka Act No. 33 of 2024), the Government of Karnataka notifies as under.—

**ORDER No. LAW-LCE/242/2023, dated:24-06-2024**

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 4 of Karnataka Civil Courts (Amendment) Act, 2023 (Karnataka Act No. 33 of 2024), the Government of Karnataka hereby notifies that, the amended provisions of the Karnataka Civil Courts (Amendment) Act, 2023 (Karnataka Act No. 33 of 2024) shall operate **prospectively**, that is, **with effect from 19-06-2024**.

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