

**¹THE
KARNATAKA
LAND REVENUE (AMENDMENT)
ACT, 2026**

[KARNATAKA ACT No. 41 of 2026]

**NOTIFICATION
No. DPAL 30 SHASANA 2026, Bengaluru,
dated 04-09-2026**

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An Act further to amend the Karnataka Land Revenue Act, 1964.

Whereas it is expedient further to amend the Karnataka Land Revenue Act, 1964 (Karnataka Act 12 of 1964) for the purposes hereinafter appearing.—

Be it enacted by the Karnataka State Legislature in the Seventy seventh year of the Republic of India, as follows.—

1. Short title and commencement.—(1) This Act may be called the **Karnataka Land Revenue (Amendment) Act, 2026**.

(2) It shall come into ²force at once.

2. Amendment of Section 2.—In the Karnataka Land Revenue Act, 1964 (Karnataka Act 12 of 1964) (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act), in Section 2.—

(i) for clause (1), the following shall be *substituted* namely.—

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 2. w.e.f. 04-09-2026.

- “(1) **“Abet”** and shall have the same meaning as assigned in Section 45 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (Central Act 45 of 2023);
- (1-A) **“Admissibility of Electronic Records”** shall have the same meaning assigned in Section 63 of Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam, 2023 (Central Act No. 47 of 2023);
- (1-B) **“Alienated”** means transferred in so far as rights of the State Government to payment of the rent or revenue are concerned, wholly or partially, to the ownership of any person;”;
- (ii) for clause (4) the following shall be *substituted*, namely.—
- “(4) **“Certified Copy”** or **“Certified Extract”**, means copy or extract as the case may be certified in the manner specified in Section 75 of Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam, 2023 (Central Act No. 47 of 2023);”;
- (iii) after clause (5), the following shall be *inserted*, namely.—
- “(5-A) **“Cheating”** shall have the same meaning as assigned in Section 318 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (Central Act 45 of 2023);”;
- (iv) after clause (9), the following shall be *inserted*, namely.—
- “(9-A) **“Forgery”** shall have the same meaning as assigned in sub-section (1) of Section 336 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (Central Act 45 of 2023);”;
- (v) after clause (37) the following shall be *inserted*, namely.—

(37-A) “**Valuable Security**” means any paper, record, or document electronic or otherwise, which can create, change, make, or end a legal claim irrespective of whether it is valid or not, and shall include property sale deeds and land titles, will and testament, revenue receipts and other documents submitted as proof in any claim, right, title, *etc.*.”.

3. Amendment of Section 96.—In the Principal Act, in Section 96, in sub-section (4), for the words, brackets and figures “the Deputy Commissioner or before the expiry of the period prescribed in sub-section (5) of Section 95 or in contravention of an order passed or of a condition imposed under Section 95, the Deputy Commissioner”, the words, and figures “the Deputy Commissioner or prescribed officer in contravention of an order passed or of a condition imposed under Section 95, the Deputy Commissioner or prescribed officer”, shall be *substituted*.

4. Amendment of Section 195.—In the Principal Act, in Section 195, in sub-section (2), the following proviso shall be *inserted* at the end, namely.—

“Provided that, the State Government, for reasons to be recorded in writing, assign by an order, any officer or a group of officers subordinate to it or a specially constituted committee which may or may not include experts in any relevant field or retired members of the judiciary, any enquiry or investigation or study or research into any matter related to this Act and rules made thereunder, subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified in the said order and in accordance with such procedure as may be prescribed.”.

5. Amendment of Section 197.—In the Principal Act, in Section 197, in sub-section (2), after clause (oo), the following clause shall be *inserted*, namely.—

“(pp) Prescribing powers and procedures for identification and prosecution of offences punishable under Section 192-A.”.
