Under Rule 130 of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly Rules, the following Bill which was introduced in the Legislative Assembly of the Tamil Nadu on 14th February 2024 is published together with Statement of Objects and Reasons for general information:—

L.A Bill No. 2 of 2024

A Bill to repeal the Tamil Nadu Puratchi Thalaivi Dr. J Jayalalithaa Memorial Foundation Act, 2020.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Seventy- fifth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

1. This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Puratchi Thalaivi Short title Dr. J Jayalalithaa Memorial Foundation (Repeal) Act, 2024.

Tamil Nadu Act 32 of 2020 2. The Tamil Nadu Puratchi Thalaivi Dr.J Jayalalithaa Memorial Foundation Act, 2020 is hereby repealed.

Repeal of Tamil Nadu Act 32 of 2020.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Tamil Nadu Puratchi Thalaivi Dr. J Jayalalithaa Memorial Foundation Act, 2020 (Tamil Nadu Act 32 of 2020) has been enacted for the establishment of a foundation for making long-term arrangements for the conversion of 'Veda Nilayam', the residence of former Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Dr. J Jayalalithaa (late) at Poes Garden, Chennai into a Memorial, for upkeep and management thereof. The High Court of Madras in its order dated 24.11.2021 in W.P.Nos.9285 and 10135 of 2020 and W.P.No.1708 of 2021, quashed the proceedings under the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 (Central Act 30 of 2013), in which the aforesaid land and building were acquired and ordered that the keys of 'Veda Nilayam' be handed over to the writ petitioners and legal heirs of the late Chief Minister. Accordingly, keys of the said building have been handed over to the writ petitioners, as ordered by the High Court. Thus, the purpose for which the aforesaid Tamil Nadu Act 32 of 2020 has been enacted no longer exists and the Act has, therefore, become obsolete. The Government have therefore, decided to repeal the said Tamil Nadu Act 32 of 2020.

2. The Bill seeks to give effect to the above decision.

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